



Student Packet

-LE at the End of the Word
Decoding Words of Any Length

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Each packet contains the following items:

- Practice pages for each skill lesson from the *Reading Horizons Elevate*[®] Student Book
- Transfer Cards
- Passages with comprehension questions from the *Reading Horizons Elevate*[®] Reading Library

Some packets will also include practice pages for Most Common Words lessons.

Student Book Practice Pages

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Transfer Cards were designed to be fully decodable, meaning that the student should have learned all the necessary skills to read these independently. These cards provide valuable practice using the skills taught in the program.

Reading Library Passages and Comprehension Questions

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-LE at the End of a Word**Skills Review**

- Every word or syllable must have a vowel or a vowel sound. In multisyllabic words, some syllables do not have a working vowel—only a vowel sound. This occurs in words that end in -le.
- The -le becomes its own syllable at the end of a word. The consonant that comes before the -le always stays with the -le ending. Sometimes the consonant that precedes the / makes an /-Blend (*simple; humbl^ee*), and sometimes it does not (*middle; littl^ee*). Exception: If a word ends in -ckle, never separate the c and k. Divide the syllable *after* the ck (*pickl^ee; tackl^ee*).
- When a word ends in -le, the final vowel e is silent, but it creates a new sound for the consonant l. A schwa sound comes before the l and together they make the /ul/ sound (*table; eagle*).
- When consonants are doubled before -le, do not pronounce the first consonant (*apple, bubble*). Mark the first consonant silent by putting a vertical line through it. Even though it is not pronounced, it keeps the first vowel short.

DECODING

If the consonant before the / makes an /-Blend, then arc the letters together. Remember the consonant must stay with the / to create the vowel sound, so divide in front of the consonant. (Exception: ck). Put a schwa mark between the consonant and the / to show the vowel sound.

staple

little

tackl^ee

A. Prove these words.

pickle puzzle cable eagle

simple table uncle giggle

READING

Read these sentences. Notice the words that have -LE at the end of the word.

My uncle and I like to do puzzles at the dining table. We began with simple puzzles that had big pieces. Today we did one with 500 little pieces! It had an image of a flying eagle about.

-LE at the End of the Word**APPLICATION ACTIVITIES**cra-
ta-crum-
nee-lit-
tum-bot-
sta-sad-
man-

A. Use the syllables listed in the box above, and combine them with the *-le* ending listed to create at least three words.

1. -ble

words: table, _____, _____

2. -tle

words: _____, _____, _____

3. -dle

words: _____, _____, _____

B. Use the correct word to complete the sentence. Write the word in the space provided.

1. He put the baby in the _____ to sleep.

bundle

cradle

bottle

kettle

2. When the lights went out, we lit a _____ so we could see.

fiddle

candle

staple

tumble

3. She put the horse in the _____.

puddle

tumble

stable

puzzle

4. You need a _____ and some thread to sew on a button.

needle

fable

little

puddle

Lesson 64: -LE at the End of a Word

battle	staple	wiggle	*duple
table	scramble	pickle	apple
drizzle	little	chuckle	cycle
*attle	bundle	jumble	cobble

They'll scramble if it rains more than a drizzle.
Jeff wants a pickle, an apple, and a little candy.

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Lesson 64: -LE at the End of a Word

battle	staple	wiggle	*deggie
table	scramble	pickle	little
drizzle	little	chuckle	wiggle
*attle	bundle	jumble	paddle

He likes to cycle past the apple and maple
trees on his way to the gym.

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staple	cable	shuffle	ample
*spribble	noble	uncle	fable
simple	cattle	riddle	dabble
table	*doffle	giggle	candle

Mom will set a candle on the table.
I giggle at Uncle Cliff's riddles.

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puzzle	cycle	maple	bubble
thimble	*siddle	truffle	title
wiggle	fickle	fickle	beetle
paddle	apple	squiggle	

The gentle puppy doesn't need a muzzle.
Uncle Bill is so humble that he never grumbles.

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able	* simpl e	bridle	stable
chuckle	gobble	eagle	meddle
* grible	scuffle	cuddle	sprinkle
saddle	bundle	table	bubble

Ken was not able to get the bubble gum.
The bridle is in the stable next to the saddle.

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candle	gamble	uncle	cradle
kettle	crumble	able	cycle
* chiffle	shuffle	eagle	pickle
peddle	sniffle	* rodle	wiggle

Did the baby wiggle in her cradle?
Uncle Joe would like a pickle with his lunch.

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fiddle	whittle	handle	* frodle
rumble	* fragle	dribble	scuffle
topple	candle	little	ample
table	maple	feeble	puddle

Max will light the little candle on the table.
Strong winds could topple that maple tree.

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puddle	table	cuddle	brittle
cradle	needle	beetle	* cabble
bumble	pimple	fizzle	gobble
* miffle	gentle	sprinkle	tattle

Penny dropped the needle from the table.
Cuddle the baby, then put her in the cradle.

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Sunburn

Summer is a time for outdoor fun. There are many things to do in the summer. Many people swim, hike, picnic, and play sports.

During the summer, there is a great deal of sunlight. In small amounts, sunlight is good for the body. The sun's rays help the body make vitamin D. Sunshine lowers health risks such as depression and high blood pressure.

However, too much sunlight can be bad for the body. The sun's ultraviolet (UV) rays can be dangerous. They can turn the skin red. Then it becomes painful and itchy. This is called **sunburn**. Each year, 70 percent of children in the United States get sunburn. Half of all adults get sunburn, too. A very bad sunburn can lead to heat stroke. This is when the body gets too hot. Heatstroke can damage the brain and the heart.

Over time, too much sun creates wrinkles. It makes skin age faster. It can also cause skin cancer. People with fair skin are more at risk. So are people with freckles (small brown spots on the skin).

A sunburn can happen quickly. It can happen from just 15 minutes in the sun! Sunburn **dehydrates** the body, so those who play outdoors should drink a lot of water. A cream or aloe gel can help with the pain. A cool bath may also help you feel better.

The best way to treat sunburn is to prevent it. Do not let your skin get burned! Wear long clothes to cover your arms and legs. Put on sunscreen before going outside. Use sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of 30 or more. After you go swimming, put on more sunscreen. Even on a cloudy day, it is possible to get sunburn. Wear a hat or sunglasses to protect your eyes and head. Be smart, and take good care of your skin!



health

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Sunburn

Comprehension Questions

Circle the best answer.

1. This passage is mainly about
 - a. studying to be a skin doctor.
 - b. protecting skin from the sun.
 - c. participating in summer sports.

2. Some sunlight is good because it
 - a. helps make vitamin D.
 - b. makes hair grow longer.
 - c. stops cancer from growing.

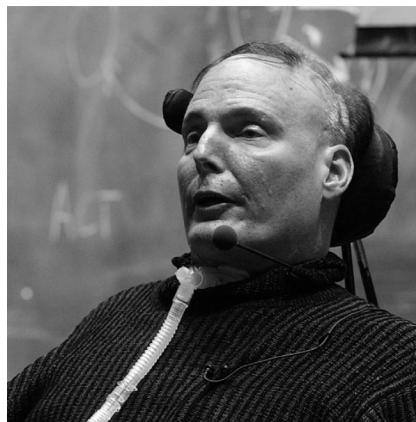
3. The percentage of children in the USA who get sunburn each year is
 - a. 15.
 - b. 50.
 - c. 70.

4. One way to prevent sunburn is to
 - a. wear a hat and other clothing.
 - b. go outside only on cloudy days.
 - c. play in the water and not on land.

5. If something *dehydrates* (paragraph 5), it
 - a. makes something move faster.
 - b. changes the color of something.
 - c. dries up the water in something.

Christopher Reeve

To film fans in the 1970s and 1980s, Christopher Reeve was Superman. A successful actor, he landed the title role in the successful 1978 movie *Superman*, which brought him worldwide fame. Over the next decade, he again played the well-loved superhero in three more Hollywood films. However, upon suffering a fall in a 1995 horse riding accident, his spinal cord was damaged beyond repair, leaving him paralyzed from the neck down. During the remaining years of his life, his actions redefined what it means to be a hero.



A native of New York City, Reeve was born in 1952. Growing up in Princeton, New Jersey, he developed a love for the theater early in his life. At age nine, he appeared in his first theatrical production, *The Yeoman of the Guard*. After that production, Reeve decided that he wanted to work in the field of acting for the rest of his life. By the time of his high school graduation in 1970, he had already joined the Actors' Equity Association, a professional organization for actors.



Upon graduating from Cornell University in 1974, Reeve pursued an acting career. For a brief time, he appeared in the TV daytime drama *Love of Life*. Then, in 1975, he made his Broadway debut in the play *A Matter of Gravity*, which also starred the legendary actress Katharine Hepburn. Reeve was still relatively unknown when he tried out (auditioned) for and won the coveted role of Superman. In addition to his performances in the four Superman movies, Reeve's memorable performances include roles in *Noises Off*, *The Remains of the Day*, and *Somewhere in Time*.

Reeve's life forever changed in 1995, when a tragic accident occurred. While horse riding, two of Reeve's upper vertebrae in his back were shattered. Over the next five weeks, Reeve fought to stay alive through various illnesses and surgeries. He also needed assistance from a ventilator—a machine to help him breathe. Doctors were unsure whether he would live. Amazingly, he survived. Although he was mostly paralyzed, meaning he could not move, he recovered some control over his physical movements through therapy and exercises. He learned how to talk between breaths. He also learned to control a wheelchair by operating a device with his mouth.

In 1997, Reeve returned to the film industry with *In the Gloaming*. This time, however, he worked as a director, instead of an actor. Praised by critics, this film won six Cable Ace Awards and was nominated, meaning the film was selected as a possible winner, for five Emmy Awards. In 1998, Reeve returned to acting in a remake of Alfred Hitchcock's *Rear Window*. This film marked Reeve's first major starring role since his accident. Reeve's performance in this film earned him a Screen Actors Guild Award for Outstanding Performance by a Male Actor in a Miniseries or Television Movie. He was also nominated for a Golden Globe Award.

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Christopher Reeve (continued)

Also in 1998, Reeve wrote his life story, *Still Me*. The book spent 11 weeks on the New York Times Best Sellers List. In 1999, he won a Grammy Award for Best Spoken Word Album for his audio recording of that book. His second book, *Nothing Is Impossible: Reflections on a New Life*, was published in 2002. His audio recording for this second book also received a Grammy nomination. About the same time, a TV documentary titled *Christopher Reeve: Courageous Steps* aired on ABC TV in the United States. The program was directed by Reeve's son Matthew Reeve.

During this same time, Reeve was doing important work raising awareness of spinal cord injuries and research. In 1999, he became chairman of the board of the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation. A charity organization created by Reeve and his wife, the foundation has a mission to support research into finding a cure for **paralysis** of the spinal cord and other illnesses and injuries of the central nervous system. The foundation also donates a portion of its funds to improve the quality of life for people with disabilities.

Reeve supported other important causes. He directed and appeared in various public service announcements, including an ad in which he encouraged people to donate both their blood and their time to the Red Cross organization. In September 2003, Reeve was given the Mary Woodard Lasker Award for Public Service in Support of Medical Research and the Health Sciences.

Reeve's final creative project was directing *The Brooke Ellison Story* in the summer of 2004. The film tells the story of Brooke, who was paralyzed at age 11. Like Reeve, she achieved great things in spite of physical challenges. She accomplished one of her most important goals when she graduated from Harvard University.

Reeve passed away (died) from heart failure October 10, 2004, at age 52. *The Brooke Ellison Story* first aired on TV just two weeks after his death. It was a final tribute to the remarkable life and work of a real-life Man of Steel.

Christopher Reeve

Comprehension Questions

Circle the best answer.

1. This passage is mostly about
 - a. an award for people who do amazing things.
 - b. an organization that helps disabled children.
 - c. the career of an actor who survived an accident.
 - d. the making of a movie about a popular superhero.
2. The best alternative title for this passage is
 - a. Theatrical Productions.
 - b. The Best Comic Books.
 - c. Recovering from Tragedy.
 - d. Meeting the Love of My Life.
3. Reeve was born in
 - a. Princeton, New Jersey.
 - b. Hartford, Connecticut.
 - c. Hollywood, California.
 - d. New York City, New York.
4. Reeve's most famous acting role was in
 - a. *Superman*.
 - b. *In the Gloaming*.
 - c. *A Matter of Gravity*.
 - d. *The Yeoman of the Guard*.
5. Reeve was injured
 - a. while driving his car.
 - b. at an award ceremony.
 - c. when he fell from a horse.
 - d. during the filming of a movie.
6. The author begins this passage by
 - a. listing Reeve's theatrical awards.
 - b. telling about Reeve's hometown.
 - c. describing Reeve's best-known work.
 - d. comparing Reeve's life with Superman's.
7. The author mentions Brooke Ellison (paragraph 9) to
 - a. explain Reeve's reasons for becoming an actor.
 - b. highlight people's ability to overcome challenges.
 - c. illustrate the importance of preparing for one's career.
 - d. contrast the lives of doctors with the lives of educators.
8. We can infer that Reeve's wife, Dana,
 - a. helped him in his charity work.
 - b. died from heart failure in 2004.
 - c. became a famous US politician.
 - d. wrote books about health science.
9. In the years after his injury, Reeve
 - a. spent time helping others.
 - b. recovered the ability to walk.
 - c. refused to talk about his illness.
 - d. never returned to acting in films.
10. *Paralysis* (paragraph 7) refers to
 - a. an organization that funds research.
 - b. a program that teaches parenting skills.
 - c. a loss of ability to move part of the body.
 - d. an exhaustion resulting from performance.

Decode Words of Any Length**Skills Review**

- Words of any length can be decoded using both Decoding Skills 1 and 2.

DECODING

Mark everything under the word, working left to right. Go back to the beginning of the word and divide the word into syllables according to Decoding Skills 1 and 2, and prove one syllable at a time.

cõtemplatẽ

introducẽ

A. Prove these words.

independeñce

volcano

equípmenþ

absolute

*tramsomime

concentrate

READING

Read the ads. Notice the multisyllabic words.

Do your badminton athletes struggle? Is it hard for them to concentrate?

Get an advantage over your opponents with our equipment. You will see an increase in your team's performance.

Connect with one of our agents for more details.
1-800-555-5432.

Decoding Words of Any Length

APPLICATION ACTIVITIES

A. Count the syllables in each word. Write each word in the correct column.

equipment	consonant	transit
instruct	communicate	cryptogram
impossible	submit	potato
independence	vitamin	instrument

2 syllables	3 syllables	4 or more syllables
	equipment	

B. Read the words and the definitions. Circle “yes” if the definition is correct. Circle “no” if the definition is not correct.

1. Yes No **romantic:** a man who lives in Rome
2. Yes No **committee:** a group of people officially delegated to perform a function
3. Yes No **submit:** to present for the approval or consideration of another
4. Yes No **vitamin:** a type of bug
5. Yes No **equipment:** to give power to
6. Yes No **introduce:** to acquaint people with each other

Lesson 65: Decoding Words of Any Length

ambulance	isolate	compensate
vacancy	badminton	agency
advantage	exercise	equipment

Did you get the badminton equipment?
Is there a vacancy at that agency?

Lesson 65: Decoding Words of Any Length

adjacent	instrument	advantage
accomplish	agent	styrofoam
recycle	daffodil	introduce

Can you recycle styrofoam?
Would you introduce me to your agent?

Lesson 65: Decoding Words of Any Length

independent	volcano	consonant
cryptogram	coconut	calculate
buffalo	antelope	fantasy

Lesson 65: Decoding Words of Any Length

reptile	aluminum	agency
vitamin	tomato	utensil
potato	equipment	cubicle

He saw an antelope and a buffalo at the zoo.
She drank coconut milk near a volcano!

The cubicle is made out of aluminum.
This potato and tomato have vitamins.

Lesson 65: Decoding Words of Any Length

implement	complicate	occupy
instrument	resemble	aluminum
recycle	contemplate	agenda

I need to contemplate ways to implement the new program to recycle aluminum.

Lesson 65: Decoding Words of Any Length

implement	complicate	tendency
instrument	advantage	accomplish
recycle	agenda	tomato

What is the advantage of using this utensil? I can accomplish cutting a tomato with ease.

Lesson 65: Decoding Words of Any Length

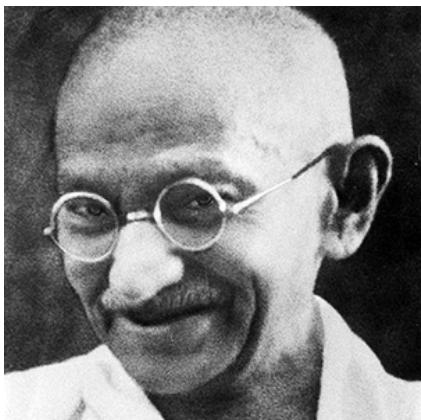
recycle	ambulance	receptacle
resemble	integrate	frequently
vitamin	explain	obstacle

Lesson 65: Decoding Words of Any Length

equipment	introduce	isolate
identify	cryptogram	fantasy
contradict	agency	concentrate

She will explain which receptacle to use when you recycle frequently.

I can't concentrate when the equipment that we use to communicate is broken.



*Asia, leaders,
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Mohandas Gandhi

You may have heard the name *Mohandas Gandhi* mentioned as one of the world's greatest leaders. Why was Gandhi such a powerful leader? He fought for the equal rights of all people. But he did not use his fists or weapons to fight. Rather, he used what he called *passive resistance*. He believed that equal rights could be gained through the use of peaceful protests. This was also how he led the people of India to their independence.

Gandhi was born in India in 1869. His father was a political leader in the country. As a child, Gandhi enjoyed learning traditional stories about Indian heroes who were full of wisdom and love.

At age 18, Gandhi went to Great Britain to study law. A few years later, he took a job with a law firm in South Africa. Over the next three decades, he lived and worked in that country. During that time, he saw a lot of **discrimination** against people, including Indians, because of their skin color. Because he was Indian, he was removed from trains. He could not stay at certain hotels. He was attacked by mobs, too. Gandhi chose to fight back. But he did not use violence to do so. He organized protests. Gandhi's actions helped some people realize that discrimination was wrong.

In 1915, Gandhi came back to India. At the time, India was ruled by the British. Many Indians wished to rule their own country. Gandhi joined their cause. He was chosen as the new leader of the Indian National Congress (INC), one of the major political parties. He was often sent to jail for protesting. But, again, he refused to use violence when fighting against the government. Instead, he chose to speak about his beliefs. He also went on hunger strikes, meaning that he refused to eat until the government listened to his requests.

Gandhi became a great hero to many Indians. They began to call him *Mahatma*. It means "great soul" in the Sanskrit language. Gandhi's actions helped India win its independence in 1947.

In January 1948, Gandhi was shot and killed. His death was mourned by people all over the world. Martin Luther King Jr. and Nelson Mandela are just two of the many leaders who followed Gandhi's peaceful teachings. His birthday, October 2, is a holiday in India. It is also known as the *International Day of Non-Violence*.

Mohandas Gandhi

Comprehension Questions

Circle the best answer.

1. This passage is about a man who is famous for
 - a. creating political change without violence.
 - b. improving the speed and safety of trains.
 - c. building the most beautiful hotel in India.
 - d. writing popular music while living in jail.
2. In school, Gandhi studied
 - a. art.
 - b. law.
 - c. biology.
 - d. religion.
3. After graduation, Gandhi worked in
 - a. Saudi Arabia.
 - b. South Africa.
 - c. Great Britain.
 - d. New Zealand.
4. October 2 is the day that
 - a. Gandhi was born.
 - b. Gandhi was killed.
 - c. India gained independence.
 - d. Indians celebrate the new year.
5. The passage suggests that Gandhi showed people the power of
 - a. physical power.
 - b. constant energy.
 - c. peaceful protest.
 - d. lifelong happiness.
6. The author mentions Nelson Mandela (paragraph 6) to
 - a. show that Gandhi had many friends in South Africa.
 - b. explain how Gandhi inspired other leaders.
 - c. compare peaceful and violent political groups.
 - d. describe how Indians were poorly treated in Africa.
7. *Discrimination* (paragraph 3) refers to
 - a. world travel.
 - b. healthy food.
 - c. unfair treatment.
 - d. traditional stories.



Elvis Presley

Elvis Presley is one of the most successful musicians in American history. His music was so popular that he was often called “the King of Rock and Roll.” In addition to recording several albums and performing in live concerts, he also starred in many Hollywood movies. During his career, he won numerous awards for his musical talent. He is one of the best-selling artists of all time.

Presley was born in 1935 in Mississippi, USA. Presley was first introduced to music through Sunday church attendance. As a child, he was shy and quiet. He enjoyed singing but rarely sang in public. When he was ten years old, his teacher encouraged him to enter a singing contest at the state fair. He came in fifth place.



USA, arts, biography

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When he was 11 years old, Presley received a guitar for his birthday. His uncles and church leaders taught him how to play it. In 1948, a teenage Presley moved with his family to Memphis, Tennessee. Over the next couple of years, Presley carried his guitar with him everywhere he went. Despite his shyness, he played in small restaurants. In high school, his music teacher did not appreciate Presley’s style of music. With little formal training, Presley learned music by ear. He listened to the radio and visited churches all over Memphis to learn from others. He especially liked to **combine** different musical styles. He mixed the country music of his childhood with the gospel style of church music and the rhythm and blues of African-American musicians.

In 1952, Presley had his first taste of success when he won a high school talent contest. Suddenly, he became very popular at school. When he was 18, Presley recorded his first two songs, as a gift to his mother. Within six months, he was back in the recording studio. He had been invited to record with some other local musicians. During a break between recordings, Presley began playing a song called “That’s All Right,” by Arthur Crudup. Sam Phillips, the head of Sun Records, loved Presley’s version and recorded it. When this recording was played on the radio, listeners loved it, too.

Soon, Presley became a musical success! He played music on a morning radio show that was hosted by a family friend. His performance on this radio show was so successful that he was invited to perform on popular TV programs. He recorded many albums, which sold very well. He even starred in a few movies.

In 1958, Presley took a two-year break from performing music to serve in the military. Following his military service, Presley returned to his music. In addition to releasing new albums, Presley also continued to star in Hollywood movies. Presley appeared in over 30 movies. In most of these movies, Presley sang and danced.

During the 1970s, Presley continued with his music, and he won several awards. Presley died in 1977. His fans will always remember him as “the King.”

Elvis Presley

Comprehension Questions

Circle the best answer.

1. An appropriate alternative title for this passage is
 - a. The King of Rock and Roll.
 - b. The Leader of Moviemaking.
 - c. The Best Actor on Television.
 - d. The President of Music Records.

2. As a child, Presley was very
 - a. shy.
 - b. sick.
 - c. wild.
 - d. angry.

3. At the age of 11, Presley began learning how to play
 - a. chess.
 - b. piano.
 - c. guitar.
 - d. football.

4. Presley took a two-year break from his career to
 - a. care for his father.
 - b. travel with his wife.
 - c. study at a university.
 - d. serve in the military.

5. The passage suggests that most of Presley's movies were
 - a. musicals.
 - b. about war.
 - c. unpopular with the public.
 - d. filmed outside of the USA.

6. The author mentions a state fair (paragraph 2) to explain
 - a. why Presley did not like watching TV.
 - b. how Presley began performing in public.
 - c. how Presley was chosen to star in a movie.
 - d. why Presley moved to Memphis, Tennessee.

7. To *combine* (paragraph 3) means to
 - a. win.
 - b. find.
 - c. mix.
 - d. show.

