Lesson 6: Vowel Pairs: au, aw

All-STAR Readers Know

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Look at each picture. Say its name. Listen for the sound of *au* and *aw* that you hear in *auto* and *saw*. Find the picture name in the box. Write it on the line.

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Read each riddle. Choose the answer from the box. Write it on the line.

You do this when you need sleep.
yawn

I have green grass.
lawn

I am a kind of bird.
hawk

You can ride down the road in me.
auto

You can sip drinks with this.
straw

Think and Link Put the words in the correct order to make a sentence. Write the sentence on the line.
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**Objectives**

Students will
- write words containing au or aw to label pictures.
- read riddles and write au and aw words as answers.

**5-STAR Pointers**

1. *Activating Prior Knowledge*

Remind the students that two vowels together that stand for one sound are called a vowel pair. The sound can be short or long, or the vowel pair can stand for a new sound. Have the students name some words with the vowel pair oo.

2. *Introducing the Lesson*

Read aloud the All-STAR Readers Know box on page 149 in the Student Workbook. Write the following words on the board in two columns: haul, gauze, fault; fawn, hawk, paw. Read the first column of words to the students and ask them what vowel sound they hear in the words (/aʊ/). Repeat with the second column of words and the sound of aw (/ɔw/).

3. *Guided Practice*

Write each of the following sentences and the words after them on the board or an overhead: 1) I hear a drip from the ___ (fawn, faucet, fault) 2) Paul will do the ___ (laundry, lawn, halt) 3) What was the ___ of the fire? (fault, crawl, cause) 4) I ___ when I am sleepy (yawn, crawl, sauce) 5) Put your ___ on if you are cold (laundry, shawl, hawk). Tell the students to write the sentences and the words that make sense in each sentence.

4. *Informal Assessment*

Observe students during guided practice. Check to see that each student is writing the sentences from the board and selecting the correct words to complete the sentences. Offer assistance to those having difficulty with the exercise. Use the All-STAR Intervention Strategies on the next page as needed.

5. *Independent Practice*

Tell the students to turn to pages 149 and 150 in the Student Workbook. Review the All-STAR Readers Know box. Read the directions and review the picture names with the students, then assign the pages. When the students have finished their work, assess the pages.

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Look at each picture. Say its name. Listen for the sound of au and aw that you hear in auto and saw. Find the picture name in the box. Write it on the line.

1. jaw
2. sauce
3. claws
4. lawn
5. yawn
6. hawk
7. laundry
8. paw
9. launch
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The dinosaur yawned at dawn.

Visual Reinforcement

Materials: pictures

Show pictures of objects whose names contain au and aw. For each picture, choose a student to say the name of the object and write it on the board. Continue until all students have had a chance to write a word.

Tactile/Kinesthetic Reinforcement

Play “Simon Says” with the students. Tell them to only follow your directions if they contain a word with the aw sound. Some directions with the aw sound include: make a big yawn; stir the sauce; mow the lawn; and drive an auto.

Literature Connection

Osborne, Mary Pope. Dinosaurs before Dark. Random House, Inc., 1992. Jack and his younger sister, Annie, take a trip in a magical tree house to the Cretaceous period. They begin to explore and find dinosaurs, volcanoes, and danger. Read the book to the students. Discuss the story and enjoy the illustrations. Tell the students to write a few sentences about an adventure trip they would like to take in the magical tree house. Encourage the students to use words with the vowel digraphs au and aw in their sentences. When they are finished writing, have the students read their sentences to the class.

English-Language Development Strategies

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Most English-language learners will have very little difficulty pronouncing the vowel digraphs au and aw because the sound is one of the universal vowels. However, they may need extra practice recognizing the au and aw spellings of the /ɔ/ sound. Write the following sentences on the board: 1) The fawn was on the lawn at dawn. 2) Paul will haul the auto. Read aloud the sentences to the students, and have them repeat them several times.