

Advanced Sample Lesson

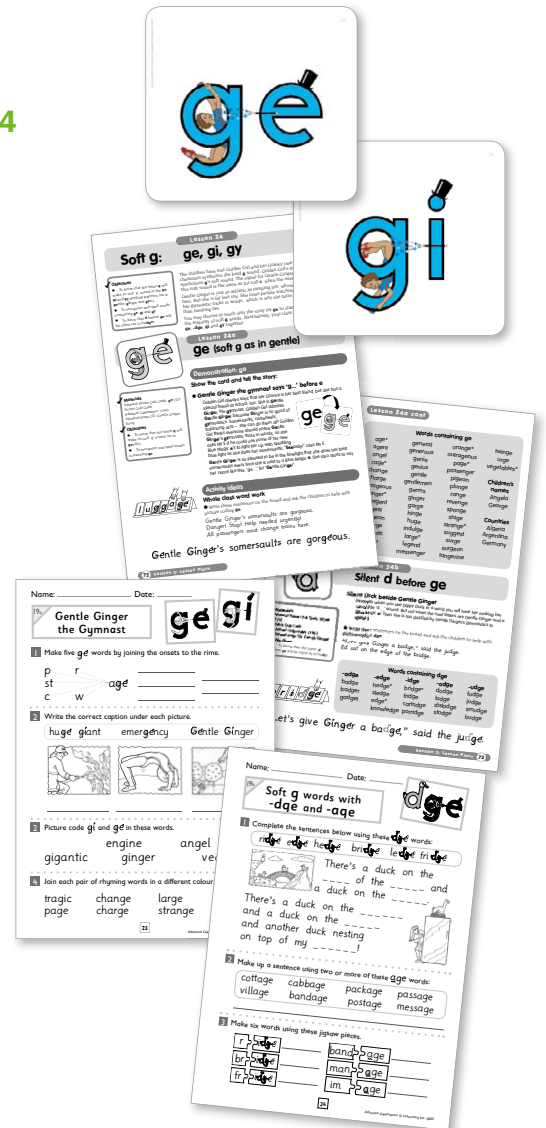
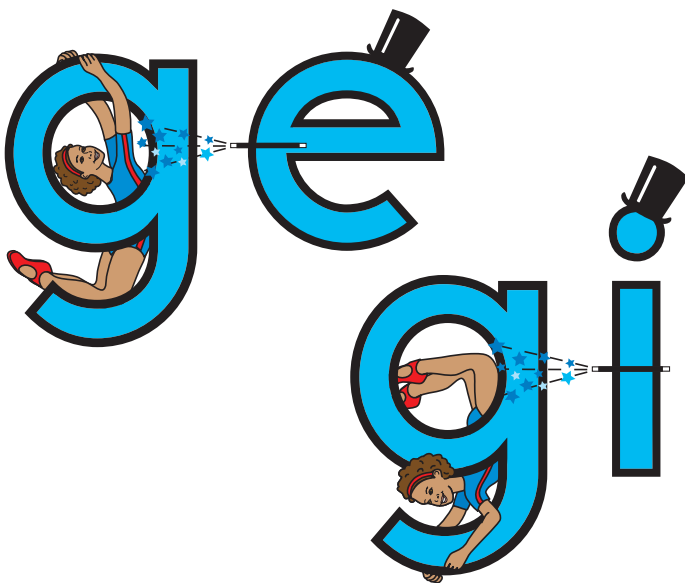
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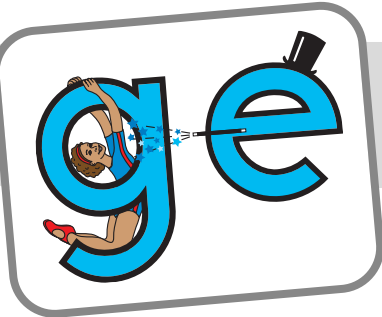


Lesson 24

Soft g: ge, gi

Objectives

- To know that the letter **g** will make its soft 'g' sound in the **ge** and **gi** spelling patterns (as in **gentle** and **ginger**).
- To recognise and spell words containing **ge** and **gi**.
- To know that **d** before **ge** will be silent (as in **bridge**).

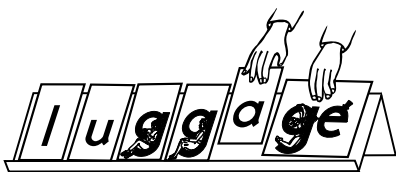


Materials

Advanced Picture Code Cards: **ge**
 Picture Code Cards.
 Advanced Copymasters (p6)
 Advanced Songs CD: Gentle Ginger
 Song **On resource CD**

Objectives

- To know that the letter **g** will make its soft 'g' sound (as in **gentle**).
- To recognise and spell words containing **ge**.



The children have met Golden Girl and her Granny. Both characters symbolise the hard **g** sound. Golden Girl's friend Gentle Ginger symbolises **g**'s soft sound. The signal for Gentle Ginger to appear and make this soft sound is the same as for soft **c**: when the next letter is an **e**, **i** or **y**.

Gentle Ginger is just as athletic as Jumping Jim, whose sound is identical to hers. But she is far less shy. She loves people watching her as she practises her gymnastic tricks in words, which is why she turns up in more words than Jumping Jim.

You may choose to teach only the story for **ge** to start with, as it includes the majority of soft **g** words. Alternatively, your class may be ready to learn **ge**, **-dge** and **gi** together.

Lesson 24a

ge (soft g as in gentle)

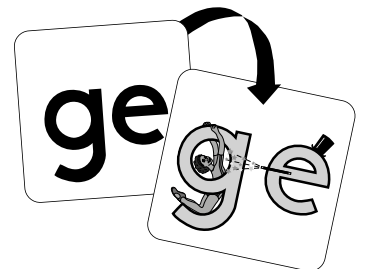
Demonstration: ge

Show the card and tell the story:

● Gentle Ginger the gymnast says 'g...' before e

Golden Girl always says that her Granny is her best friend, but she has a special friend at school, too. She is **Gentle Ginger**, the **gymnast**. Golden Girl admires **Gentle Ginger** because **Ginger** is so good at **gymnastics**. Somersaults, cartwheels, balancing acts – she can do them all! Golden Girl thinks everyone should notice **Gentle Ginger's gymnastic tricks** in words, so she asks Mr E if he could use some of his new Blue Magic **e's** to light her up with sparkling blue light as she does her somersaults. "**Eeeasily!**" cries Mr E.

Gentle Ginger is so pleased to be in the limelight that she does her best somersaults every time she is next to a Blue Magic **e**. She also starts to say her name like this, 'ge...' for '**Gentle Ginger**'.



Activity ideas

Whole class word work

- Write these sentences on the board and ask the children to help with picture coding **ge**.

Gentle Ginger's somersaults are gorgeous.
 Danger! Stop! Help needed urgently!
 All passengers must change trains here.

Gentle Ginger's somersaults are gorgeous.



Lesson 24a cont

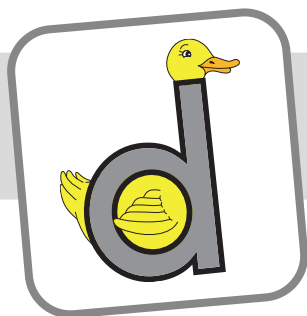
* High frequency words

Exceptions

These include **get, geese, target, tiger, together** and some words with **gg** such as **biggest, wagged**, and **ng** as in **longer, finger**.

Words containing ge

age*	general	orange*	twinge
agent	generous	outrageous	urge
angel	genie	page*	vegetables*
cage*	genius	passenger	
change	gentle	pigeon	Children's names
charge	gentlemen	plunge	Angela
courageous	germs	range	George
danger*	ginger	revenge	
detergent	gorge	sponge	Countries
digest	hinge	stage	Algeria
dungeon	huge	strange*	Argentina
emerge	indulge	suggest	Germany
energetic	large*	surge	
fringe	legend	surgeon	
gems	messenger	tangerine	



Lesson 24b

Silent d before ge

Silent Duck beside Gentle Ginger

Normally when you see Dippy Duck in a word you will hear her making her usual little 'd...' sound. But not when the next letters are Gentle Ginger and a Blue Magic **e**! Then she is too dazzled by Gentle Ginger's gymnastics to speak!

- Write these sentences on the board and ask the children to help with picture coding **dge**.

"Let's give Ginger a badge," said the judge.
 Ed sat on the edge of the bridge.

Words containing dge

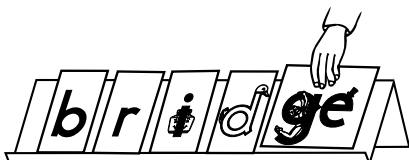
-adge	-edge	-idge	-odge	-udge
badge	hedge*	bridge*	dodge	fudge
badger	sledge	fridge	lodge	judge
gadget	edge*	cartridge	dislodge	smudge
	knowledge	porridge	stodge	budge

Materials

Advanced Picture Code Cards: **Silent d**
 Picture Code Cards.
 Advanced Copymasters (p7)
 Advanced Songs CD: Gentle Ginger
On resource CD

Objectives

- To know that the letter **d** before **ge** will be silent as in **bridge**.

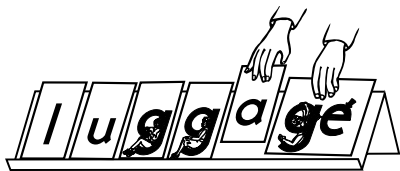


"Let's give **Ginger** a **bad**d**ge**," said the **jud**d**ge**.



Lesson 24b cont.

Sound alike: -idge and -age



Only nine words end in **i-d-g-e**. They all contain the word **ridge** except for the last two: **bridge, cartridge, fridge, partridge, porridge, ridge, midge, midget**. There are, however, many **a-g-e** words. Longer **a-g-e** and *all i-d-g-e* words are pronounced 'ige'. Since **bridge** is the only frequently used word ending in **-idge**, a rough generalisation for all other 'ige' words is: unless the word is **bridge**, spell it **a-g-e**.

Double consonants before seven -age words

Strangely, there are seven words in which the short vowels before **-age** need protecting. They can be learned in these two sentences:

I saw his luggage in the Baggage Room passage,
 so I left him this message.

Come and eat cabbage at our cottage in the village.

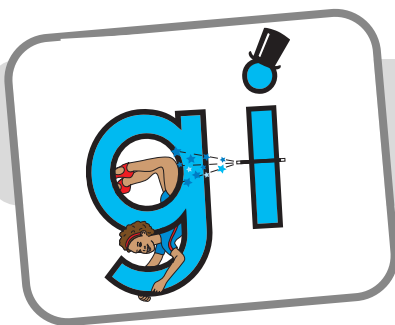
Words ending in -age

advantage	encourage	luggage	percentage	usage
average	haulage	manage	postage	vicarage
bandage	heritage	marriage	salvage	voltage
courage	image	mileage	savage	voyage
disadvantage	language	mortgage	shortage	
drainage	leakage	package	storage	

Note: The only word actually spelt as it sounds is **vestige**.

Lesson 24c

gi (soft g as in ginger)



Show the card and tell the story:

- Gentle Ginger says 'g...' for Ginger before i

When Mr E is too busy elsewhere to shoot Blue Magic Sparks to light up Gentle **G**inger the Gymnast, he generously gives the job to **i**. So the blue sparks shoot straight from **i** to **G**inger to light her up. Once again Gentle **G**inger is so pleased that she starts to say her name, 'gi...' for **G**inger.



Picture Coding

- Write these sentences on the board and ask the children to help with picture coding **gi**.

See Ginger in blue magic light!

Do giraffes live in that grassy region?

Can you imagine a giant as gigantic as a skyscraper?

See **G**inger in blue magic light!

Materials

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 Picture Code Cards.
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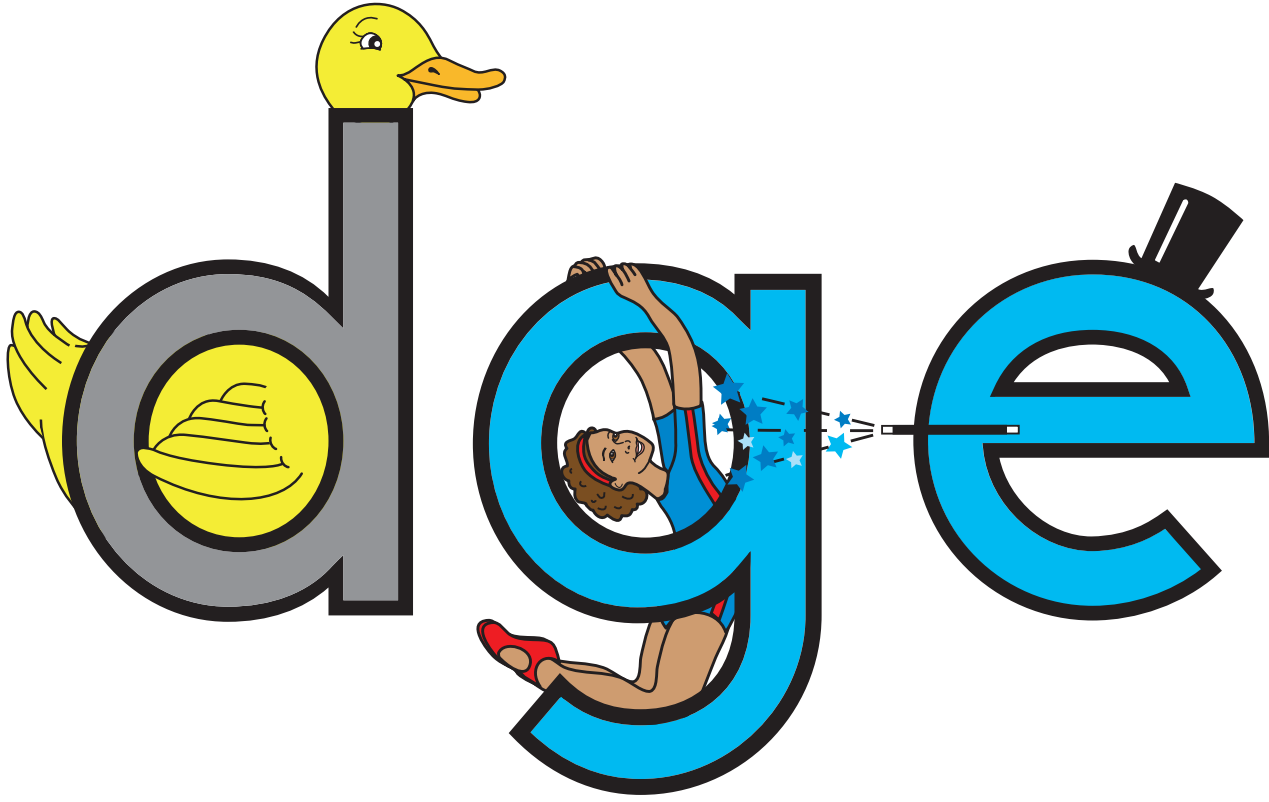
Objectives

- To know that the letter **g** can make a soft 'g' sound (as in **g**inger).

g ge

Letterland ducks are always silent next to Gentle Ginger. They are too dazzled to speak when the Blue Magic Sparks are shooting!
Blue Magic e lights up Gentle Ginger, the Gymnast, and makes her start to say 'ge...' for gentle.

badge bridge edge judge



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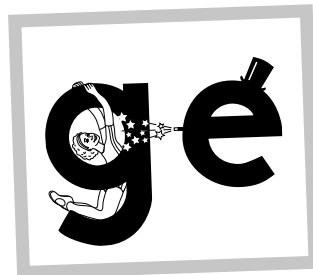
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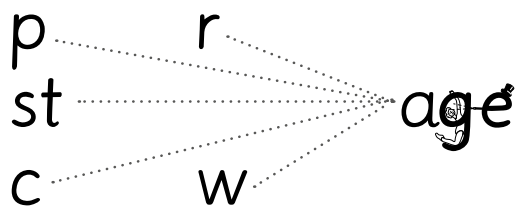
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**Gentle Ginger
 the Gymnast**



1 Make five **ge** words by joining the onsets to the rime.

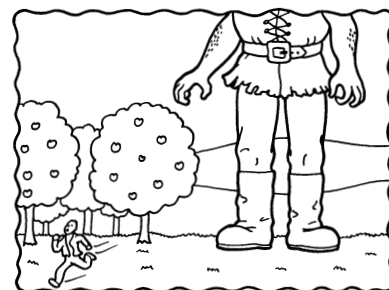
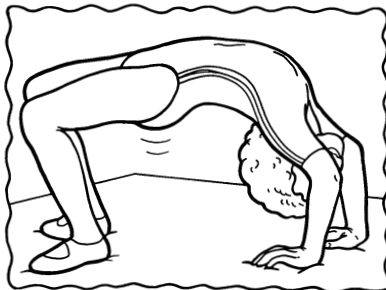


2 Write the correct caption under each picture.

huge giant

emergency

Gentle Ginger



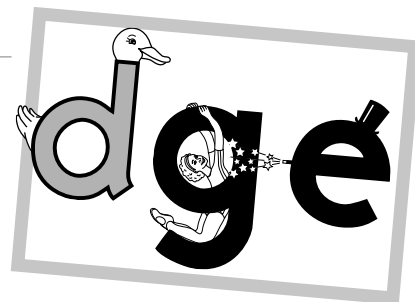
2 Picture code **gi** and **ge** in these words.

engine angel
 gigantic ginger vegetable

4 Join each pair of rhyming words in a different colour.

tragic change large stage
 page charge strange magic

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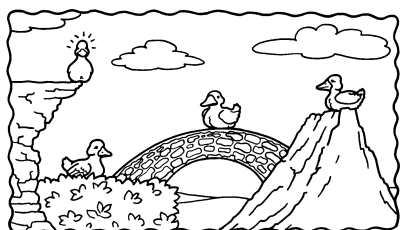


19b

Soft g words with -dge and -age

1 Complete the sentences below using these dge words:

ridge edge hedge bridge ledge fridge



There's a duck on the _____ of the _____ and a duck on the _____.

There's a duck on the _____ and a duck on the _____ and another duck nesting on top of my _____!



2 Make up a sentence using two or more of these age words:

cottage cabbage package passage
village bandage postage message

3 Make six words using these jigsaw pieces.

r idge _____

band age _____

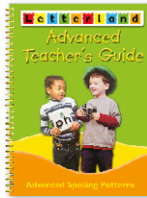
br idge _____

man age _____

fr idge _____

im age _____

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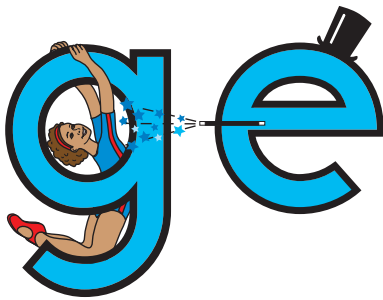
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Gentle Ginger

I am **Gentle Ginger**.
I love somersaulting,
cartwheeling, vaulting
and swinging on a bar.
This is **Gentle Ginger**.
She loves somersaulting,
cartwheeling, vaulting
and swinging on a bar.
Look for **Gentle Ginger**
in the Blue Magic Light.
She works with all her might.
What a **gymnastic** star!

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