

Reading Words Ending with “er”

When an “a-e,” “e-e,” “i-e,” “o-e” or “u-e” word has the “er” ending added to it, the “er” replaces the “e” and the vowel sound stays the same as in a “vowel + e” word. **Think of the “er” as standing in for the “e”** at the end of the original word. (Note: The “er” ending is another suffix, like “ing.”)

Practice reading these words:

r i d e r i d er s k a t e s k a t er

b a k e b a k er wh i t e wh i t er

p o k e p o k er ch o k e ch o k er

c u t e c u t er sh a k e sh a k er

t a m e t a m er s l i d e s l i d er

Add the “er” suffix to each of these vowel+e root words.

t i m e _____ hike _____

ch a s e _____ smoke _____

sh i n e _____ snore _____

dr i v e _____ close _____

l a t e _____ glide _____