

'-dge' and '-ge': List of Words, Phrases, and Sentences for Lesson Planning

Our word lists can help you plan for teaching the '-dge' and '-ge' spelling patterns. Use them in your reading, spelling, and fluency-building lessons and activities. Remember that each interaction with words is an opportunity to build vocabulary. Consider pointing out words with multiple meanings to your students.

WORDS WITH '-DGE': Because the /j/ is immediately after a short vowel at the end of a one-syllable word.

'a' Words with '-dge'

badge

'e' Words with '-dge'

edge ledge sledge pledge wedge hedge dredge

'i' Words with '-dge'

ridge bridge

'o' Words with '-dge'

dodge lodge hodgepodge

'u' Words with '-dge'

budge fudge judge grudge trudge smudge

WORDS WITH '-GE': Because the /j/ is immediately after a long vowel, a consonant, or an r-controlled vowel, at the end of a one-syllable word.

Words with long vowels

age page gage stage sage rage wage huge

Words with 'n' blocker

hinge binge singe cringe twinge lunge plunge

Words with 'l' blocker

bulge

Words with r-controlled vowels

barge charge large merge verge forge gorge

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Phrases with '-dge'

over the bridge	with a badge	on the ledge	past the edge	in the lodge	dodge the ball
met the judge	ate the fudge	did not budge	made a smudge	made a pledge	a gold badge
edge of the ledge	dredge it up	cut the hedges	held a grudge		

Phrases with '-ge'

page of text	on the stage	felt rage	huge bridge	not in charge	on the barge
small or large	did cringe				

Sentences with '-dge'

We went on a trip to a lodge.	A lot of cars are stuck on the bridge.
I put the frame on the ledge.	Do not go past the edge of the grass.
I like to play dodgeball with Ricky.	She ate the fudge for a snack.
My dad is a judge.	The drink spilled and made the ink smudge.
Do not put the glass on the ledge or it could fall and crack.	The truck drove to the bridge at six.
Jack will not budge from the bed.	Dad has to trim the hedges.

Sentences with '-ge'

We drove to the barge.	Who is in charge of this class?
I felt rage when my sister broke my game.	I got a large box from the shed.
The dog will lunge at the cat in the yard.	Will you perform the skit on stage?
I have a huge test in my math class.	