WRITER'S GUIDE

Unit 16: Adding ed, ing, er, est

The endings ed, ing, er, or est can be added to words.

- If a word ends with *e*, drop the *e* before adding *ed*, *ing*, *er*, or *est*. scare—scared large—largest
- If a word ends with a consonant and y, change y to i before adding ed, er, or est. But keep the y when you add ing.
 worry—worried worry—worrying
- If a word ends with a vowel and y, keep the y. The spelling of the word does not change.
 play—played
 play—playing

Unit 17: Special Days and Holidays

- The names of special days and holidays begin with capital letters.
- When you say a holiday name, carefully pronounce each syllable.
 This will help you spell the name correctly.

Unit 19: The Sounds /oi/ and /ou/

Here are two ways to spell /oi/.

- with **oi**, as in *choice*
- with **oy**, as in *loyal*

Here are two ways to spell /ou/.

- with **ou**, as in *south*
- with **ow**, as in *gown*

Unit 20: The Sounds $\overline{00}$ and $\overline{y00}$

Here are three ways to spell $/\overline{oo}/$.

- with **oo**, as in *bloom*
- with **ue**, as in *clue*

• with **u**, as in flu

Here are two ways to spell $/y\overline{oo}/$.

- with **u**, as in music
- with **u**-consonant-**e**, as in *cube*