

Dear Family:

In the last Unit, your child practiced the long **o** sound of **ow** as in **snow**. This letter combination actually has another sound as in the word **plow**. In Unit 14, we will work with this **/ou/** sound:

**ow** says **/ou/** as in **plow**\*

**ou** says **/ou/** as in **trout**\*\*

Once again, the reading of the words in context will be easier than spelling the word in isolation. Practice, practice, practice is key. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

\*Note: The **ow** also says **/ō/** as in **snow**. You may remember working on this sound in Unit 13.

\*\*Note: The **ou** also says **/ü/** as in **soup**. We will work on this sound in Unit 15.

