BRIDGING THE RIVER “WHY”

SERIES: Come back to me, braille!
Part 2 of 5
Poll #1

Have you seen the movie “The Bridge on the River Kwai”?  
  A. Yes  
  B. No
What is “bridging” in UEB?
COMPOUND WORDS
Unhyphenated Compound Word

Do not use a groupsign which would bridge the words which make up an unhyphenated compound word.

–Rules of UEB 10.11.1
egghead

eg(gh)(ea)d

e(gg)h(ea)d

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flearidden

fle(ar)idd(en)  fë1ridd5

fl(ea)ridd(en)  fë1ridd5
storeroom

(st)or(er)oom

(st)oreroom
Reference Reminder

Remember, the Rules of UEB are available from the UEB page on ICEB’s website.
ASPIRATED “H”
What do we mean by “aspirated”?  

An aspiration is an **audible breath that accompanies or comprises a speech sound** –Merriam-Webster

Examples of aspirated h’s in English:

• house  
• Amelia Earhart  
• hat
Aspirated “h” UEB Rule

Do not use the strong groupsigns for "ch", "gh", "sh", "th", or "wh" or the strong contraction for "the" when the "h" is aspirated. –Rules of UEB 10.11.2
knighthood

kni(gh)(th)ood  KNIGHTHOOD

kni(gh)thood  KNIGHTHOOD
Shanghai

(Sh)an(gh)ai

(Sh)anghai
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Poll #2

Which of the following is the correct contracted UEB transcription of the word FLATHEAD?

A. 💩 lapse
B. 💩 flare
C. 💩 flat head
D. 💩 flat head
Generally, Use a Groupsign

Permission?

GRANTED
“EA” CONTRACTION
“ea” and Prefixes

Do not use the lower groupsign for "ea" when the letters "ea" bridge a prefix and the remainder of the word.

–Rules of UEB 10.11.4
preamble

pr(ea)mble

preamble

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readjust

r(ea)dju(st)

readju(st)

r(ea)d( just)
reappoint

reappo(in)t

reappo(in)t

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Poll #3

Which of the following is the correct contracted UEB transcription of the word REACTION?

A. ,r1c;n
B. ,reac;n
C. ,reaction
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Poll #4

Which of the following is the correct contracted UEB transcription of the word SPREADEAGLE?

A. \(\text{spr\textdaggerdbl}d\textdaggerdbl\textsl{gle}\)
B. \(\text{spr\textdaggerdbl}d\textdaggerdbl\textsl{gle}\)
C. \(\text{spr\textdaggerdbl}d\textdaggerdbl\textsl{eagle}\)
D. \(\text{spr\textdaggerdbl}d\textdaggerdbl\textsl{eagle}\)
Request for Input

What do you want to know about UEB contractions?

Please write it in the chat or email it to Dawn Eadens, deadens@aph.org
“BRAILLE ORDER”
What is “braille order”?  


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Where do we use braille order?

- Rules of UEB, Appendix 3
- Special Symbols Pages (SSP)

“This page lists symbols found in the volume that may be unfamiliar to the reader. This includes symbols such as shape indicators and transcriber-defined indicators. …”

—Braille Formats 2016, §2.5.1
SPECIAL SYMBOLS PAGES

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BF2016 §2.5.2.e tells us to list the symbols on a SSP in **braille order**.
Where is “braille order” given?

Print page 1 of the Rules of UEB
BODY BRAILLE!
thanks to Peggy Scheutz
Body Braille!

- dot 1: left fist
- dot 2: left hip
- dot 3: left foot
- dot 4: right fist
- dot 5: right hip
- dot 6: right foot

here is a video of Peggy Scheutz doing body braille at a CNIB conference.
Poll #5

Which shows the symbols in braille order?

A. 
B. 
C. 

Line 1: 
Line 2: 
Line 3: 
Line 4: 
Line 5: 
Line 6: 
Line 7: 

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Poll #6

Which shows the symbols in braille order?

A. 
B. 
C. 

Line 1: 
Line 2: 
Line 3: 
Line 4: 
Line 5: 
Line 6: 
Line 7: 

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Poll #7

Would you like to have more instruction regarding braille order?

A. Yes
B. No
RUEB TERMINOLOGY
Key Terms from the Rules of Unified English Braille

• SYMBOLS-SEQUENCE
  o an unbroken string of braille signs, whether alphabetic or non-alphabetic, preceded and followed by space (also referred to as symbols-word)

• STANDING ALONE
  • A letter or letters-sequence is considered to be "standing alone" if it is preceded and followed by a space, a hyphen or a dash. (Rules of UEB §2.6)
  • Certain indicators and common punctuation are allowed to come between the space, hyphen, or dash and what is standing alone.
Examples of Symbols-sequences

- HOME
- UNIDENT
- COPPYME
- BROSSUDE
- BÀRROMEO
- ROMEO
Reference Reminders

• You can look up many words right inside RUEB
• When searching the rules, we are better off looking for a reason not to use the contraction than looking for permission to use it.
• You can look up pronunciations by finding audio/video online.
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Poll #8

Which of the following consists of three symbols-sequences?

A. mother-in-law  
B. Merry-Go-Round Babes!  
C. Mine is 42a.
Homework for next time

Transcribe “Jungle Book math practice”
Use UEB with Nemeth or UEB Math/Science
Or both! (in two separate transcriptions)

Next time, we will look at the braille for this exercise in both UEB with Nemeth and also UEB Math/Science.
UPCOMING WEBINAR

Join us next time for
Jungle Books: UEB Math/Science & UEB with Nemeth

Friday, Feb 12, 2:00-3:00 ET