Support for prickly spellings

In the Year 2 Spelling units, the remaining Phase 5 tricky words are called prickly spellings. This document provides support for teaching all of the prickly spellings.

Unit	Prickly spelling	Why is it prickly?	How to teach
1	once	The grapheme 'o' makes the sounds **w-u**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'o'. **Say:** *This grapheme says **w-u**.*
	two	The grapheme 'wo' makes the sound oo (as in 'food'). This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'wo'. **Say:** *This digraph says oo.*
2	any	The grapheme 'a' makes the sound **e**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'a'. **Say:** *This grapheme says **e**.*
	many	The grapheme 'a' makes the sound **e**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'a'. **Say:** *This grapheme says **e**.*
4	who	The word 'who' has two tricky parts: the digraph 'wh' makes the sound **h** and the grapheme 'o' makes the sound oo (as in 'food'). These are rare GPCs.	Point to 'wh'. **Say:** *This digraph says **h**.* Point to 'o'. **Say:** *This grapheme says oo.*
	whole	The digraph 'wh' makes the sound **h**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'wh'. **Say:** *This digraph says **h**.*
5	people	The digraph 'eo' makes the sound **ee**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'eo'. **Say:** *This digraph says **ee**.*
	friend	The digraph 'ie' makes the sound **e**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'ie'. **Say:** *This digraph says **e**.*
6	move	The grapheme 'o' makes the sound oo (as in 'food'). This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'o'. **Say:** *This grapheme says oo.*
	improve	The grapheme 'o' makes the sound oo (as in 'food'). This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'o'. **Say:** *This grapheme says oo.*
8	beautiful	The trigraph 'eau' makes the sound **yoo**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'eau'. **Say:** *This trigraph says **yoo**.*
	laugh	The word 'laugh' has two tricky parts: the digraph 'au' makes the sound **ar** or **a** (depending on regional pronunciation) and the digraph 'gh' makes the sound **f***. *This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'au'. **Say:** *This digraph says **ar**** or *This digraph says **a**.* Point to 'gh'. **Say:** *This digraph says **f**.*
9	busy	The grapheme 'u' makes the sound **i**.	Point to 'u'. **Say:** *This grapheme says **i**.*
	pretty	The grapheme 'e' makes the sound **i**. This is a rare GPC in the middle of a word.	Point to 'e'. **Say:** *This grapheme says **i**.*
10	parents	The digraph 'ar' makes the sound **air**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'ar'. **Say:** *This digraph says **air**.*
	because	The digraph 'au' makes the sound **o**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'au'. **Say:** *This digraph says **o**.*
12	eye	The trigraph 'eye' makes the sound **igh**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'eye'. **Say:** *This trigraph says **igh**.*
	shoe	The digraph 'oe' makes the sound oo (as in 'food'). This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'oe'. **Say:** *This digraph says oo.*
13	thought	The grapheme 'ough' makes the sound **or**. This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'ough'. **Say:** *This grapheme says **or**.*
	through	The grapheme 'ough' makes the sound oo (as in 'food'). This is a rare GPC.	Point to 'ough'. **Say:** *This grapheme says oo.*