

## Stage 9, Page 2, Route A - (s) as -ss after a short vowel

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Remember: Say the word aloud, then say each letter aloud **as you write it**  
e.g. 'class, c ... l ... a ... s ... s'



For each line, trace over the first two words and then write two of your own.



Lisa loves to be in **class**.

class class



Sheep eat **grass**.

grass grass



Bart was so close he could not **miss**.

miss miss



Do you want more or **less**?

less less



Bart makes Lisa feel **stress**.

stress stress



Mum is the **boss** in our house.

boss boss



Lisa never makes a **fuss**.

fuss fuss

The words gas and bus are naughty red words that belong to Bart because they only have one s after a short vowel sound.

**Gas** can be used to heat a house or to a cooker.

gas gas



A **bus** can take a lot of people.

bus bus



Now test yourself without looking at the words and **check for yourself** if you got them all right. Practice writing any words that you made mistakes on again.

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Try to spell each word without looking at it.

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