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Bossy r

When r follows a vowel, it changes the vowel's sound.

ar and or

ar says its name in car. or says its name in fork.

ar car star**or** fork corn

er, ir and ur

These three all say the same sound. Learn them by looking.

er her fern**ir** bird girl**ur** turn burn

all five

Now all five together. Listen first, then look.

ar farm dark**or** born sort**er ir ur** fern

The letter r is bossy. It changes the vowel in front of it.
ar and or each have their own sound: car, fork.
er, ir and ur all say the same sound. There is no rule for these.
berd and gurl are the usual mistakes. Neither is a real word.
Say the word aloud first. Then look at how it is spelled.