
Games & Activities that Support Phonics & Reading

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Welcome!

YOU are your child's



FIRST

and MOST



important teacher!

Tonight

- Build background knowledge about common progress through phonics patterns
- Share some word activities and games to do at home
- Provide resources to start exploring options



#1 Rule for helping students learn to read...

Keep it FUN!



Build a
LOVE as
you build
WONDER!



Progress Monitoring by Instructional Text Reading Level

GRADE	MONTHS OF THE SCHOOL YEAR									
	1 SEP	2 OCT	3 NOV	4 DEC	5 JAN	6 FEB	7 MAR	8 APR	9 MAY	10 JUN
K	—	A	B	B	C	C	C	D	D	D
1	D	E	F	F	G	H	H	I	I	J
2	J	K	K	K	L	L	L	M	M	M
3	M	N	N	N	O	O	O	P	P	P
4	P	Q	Q	Q	R	R	R	S	S	S
5	S	T	T	T	U	U	U	V	V	V
6	V/W	W	W	W	X	X	X	Y	Y	Y
7-8	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y/Z	Z	Z	Z	Z	Z

Book Wizard Leveling Site: <https://www.scholastic.com/teachers/bookwizard/>

Common Flow of Phonics Patterns.

- (a) Phonemic awareness (rhyming, hearing sounds)
- (b) Letter names
- (c) Letter Sounds
- (d) short vowels with consonants (CVC) **
- (e) short vowels with consonant digraphs (sh, ch, th, wh) **
- (f) short vowels w/ consonant blends (st, sn, fl)
- (g) short vowels w/ inflectional endings (ed, ing)

- (h) final e (fine, cube, cake, tote)
- (i) long vowel digraphs (long vowel teams)
- (j) r-controlled (hurt, bird, corn, star)
- (k) other vowel digraphs and diphthongs (oi, oy, oo, ou,aw, ow)
- (l) two-syllable words
- (m) multisyllabic with affixes, (Prefixes - dis, un, re, non) (Suffixes - able, less, ism)
- (n) 3-4 syllable words & 3-5 syllable words

Fry and Kress discovered that the first 25 **words** of most common words comprise almost 35% of **all** published work for children and adults alike. The **first 100 words** in their list are commonly used in almost 50% of **all** written material.



Mix It Up And Have Fun!

Keep reading fresh with these ideas:

1. Helpful Charts - These are great to have around.
 - a. [Alphabet Chart](#)
 - b. [Blends Chart](#)
 - c. [Long Vowel Charts](#)



Play Games!

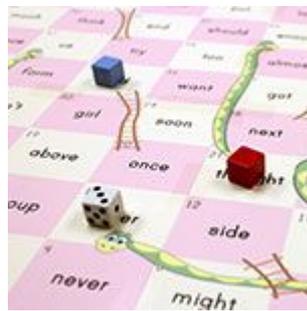
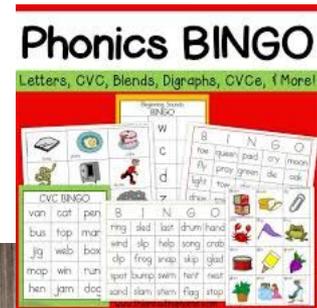
- a. "Find the" Use cheerios, buttons, etc.
- b. "Match the....." Use a second copy of the letter or sound pattern
- c. "What's a word that" Have child orally give you a word using the pattern.
- d. Scavenger Hunt. Use magazines to find as many pictures with the letter or sound pattern.
Glue in a book (In the front dollar sections, Target has 8 colorful booklets with blank pages for \$3.00)

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2. Games, Games, Games!!

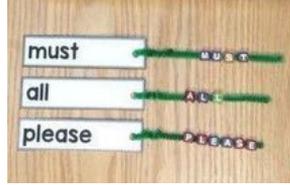
There are so many free games you can print on-line. Here are just a few options for you!

- [Blank Game Board](#)
- [Unicorn Race \(editable sight word game\)](#)
- [Free Sight Word or vowel pattern editable game templates](#)
- [Link to a site with LOTS of fun options for parents](#)
- [My FAVORITE site for printable sight word games](#)
- [Short Vowel Phonemic Awareness Game](#)



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3. Manipulative Activities... hands on learning!

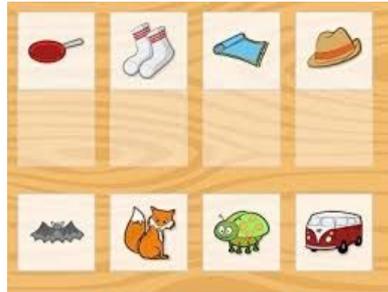


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4. Get Techie - These are a few recommended sites! :)

- [Children's reading program links](#)
- [More children's reading programs](#)
- [Education. Com online games](#)
- Educational free apps
- Lexia is also available for parents at home.
- [ABCYA Word Bingo](#)
- [Links to online phonics games](#)



The Right Fit... What Take Home Books Should Look Like...

Independent

- Fun, Fast, & Easy
- Good for building love of reading
- fluent reading
- Read by themselves
- Parent check-in for comprehension

Instructional

- 90-97% accurate
- With parent support best
- Practice solving their own word problems
- Talk about together
- Parent supports comprehension

Frustrational

- - 90% accurate (or more than 5 errors on a page)
- Not fluent or able to comprehend well alone
- Parent read aloud material with discussion

Why do all this at home?

- Research states that almost a quarter of students do not read outside of school and that less than 2% of free time is spent reading.
- Yet, other research shows direct connections between reading at home and proficiency in reading.

One article stated, “Starting in kindergarten, if a student reads 20 minutes a day at home, they will hear 1.8 million words per year. They will have read for 851 hours by 6th grade and on standardized tests, they will likely score better than 90% of their peers. (Wow!)

This is compelling data on the benefits of encouraging your child to read.”
(From the article, “How reading 20 minutes a day impacts your child”).

AND... It's FUN!

Final Note....

Yes,

All of this takes time, but the pay-off is so worth it!



Kids who read become adults who read!