

Consonant Blends nk, nd, mp



Parents! When two letters come together in a word, they make a consonant blend. Nk, nd, and mp are consonant blends that usually come at the end of a word. Nk and nd combine to make one “glued” sound. Not mp. When mp is blended, you hear two sounds, m and p.



1

Sound out nk with your child, keeping the sound n and k “glued” together as one.

nk



tank



bank

2

Encourage your child to sound out nd, pointing out that the letters combine to make one sound.

nd



hand



land

3

Mp is an ending blend that is not glued. Ask your child to sound out these words, listening for the two sounds, m and p, at the end.

mp



jump



pump