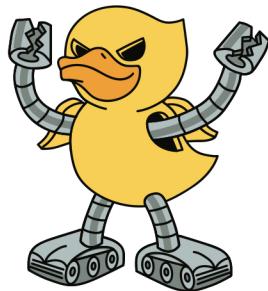


★ Say the names out loud. Trace and write the names.



Mad Duck

Duck Bot



Correct letter formation is a foundational skill. Teach your child to write letters from the correct starting point, in the proper direction, and with consistent strokes.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace and write the word.



bun

bun



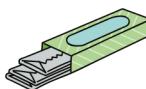
bus

bus



fun

fun



gum

gum



mud

mud



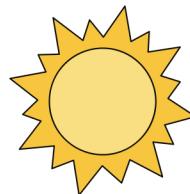
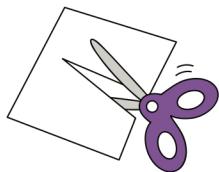
lug

lug



Fat Cat worksheets emphasize letter formation and writing practice. These key activities form brain connections and boost learning.

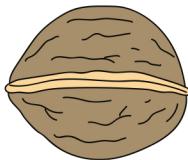
★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the beginning letter.



bug

cut

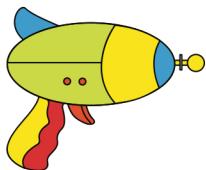
sun



run

nut

fun



gun

lug

cup



Identifying the beginning sound of a word helps a child develop phonological awareness, the understanding that spoken language is made up of smaller units of sound.

★ Match the word with the correct picture. Write the word.

hut



cut

run



hug

hug



run

cut



hut

up



pup

pup



up

★ Read the word aloud. Check the picture that matches the word.

lug



pup



fun



bus



hut



gum



bun



★ Match the word with the correct picture.

sun



nut



cup



bus



mud



gun



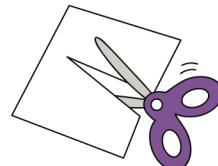
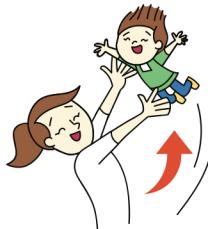
tug



hug



★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the word that matches the picture.



hug

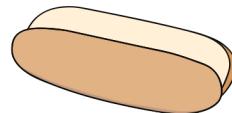
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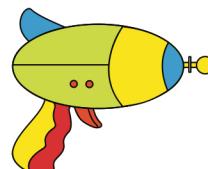
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lug

tug

bus

bun



sun

fun

run

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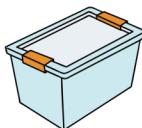
nut

hut



In this exercise, students practice differentiating words that look and sound similar, a key step to reading fluency.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace and write the word.



bin

bin



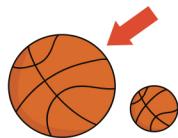
fin

fin



wig

wig



big

big



hit

hit



sit

sit



When tracing and writing letters and words, make sure your child uses the tripod grip.



★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the correct ending sound.

g

n

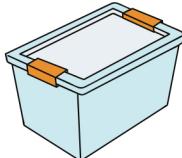
t



pin

hit

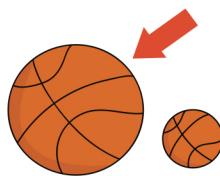
wig



dig

bin

sit



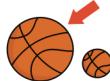
big

wig

fin

★ Read the word aloud. Check the picture that matches the word.

bug



hit



bun



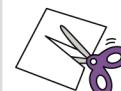
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sit



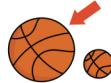
cut



win



dig



pin



Identifying ending sounds helps children break down spoken words into individual sounds, an important phonics skill.

★ Match the word with the correct picture.

man



can



cat



lab



mad



sad



zap



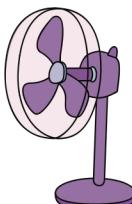
fat



★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the beginning letter.



sad



fan



can



lab



fat



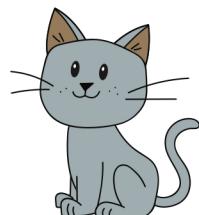
mad



pan



zap



cat

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the word that matches the picture.



pan

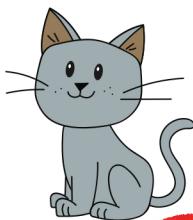
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mud

man

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fan

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fat

fin



mad

man

lab

lug

can

cup



CVC (consonant-vowel-consonant) words are important to early readers because they can be easy to decode and learning them helps boost confidence.

★ Match the word with the correct picture. Write the word.

bot



fox

box



cop

cop



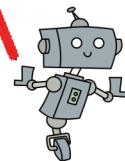
box

fox



hot

mop



bot

hot



mop

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the word that matches the picture.



fox

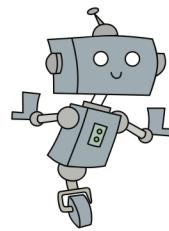
fan

mud

mop

hut

hot



bus

box

mad

man

bot

bun



fat

fun

hit

hug

cop

cup

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the correct short vowel.

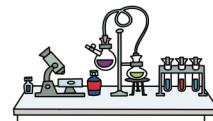
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e

i

o

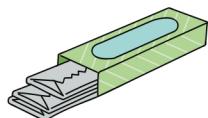
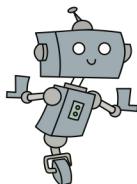
u



bus

hit

ab



bot

gum

sit



box

cut

wet



Identifying middle vowel sounds in short words helps beginner readers decode words and pronounce them accurately.

★ Match the word with the correct picture.

pen

10

wet



jet



bed



red



vet



leg



ten



★ Circle the word that matches the picture on the left.



hot

hen

hug



cup

cop

can



mad

mop

mud



pan

pin

pen



lug

lab

leg



big

bot

bug



win

wet

wig



bed

bus

box

★ Write each word in the correct column with its word family.

bin	fin	can	fun	bun	fan
pan	pin	win	man	gun	sun

-in

-an

-un

bin

can

fun

fin

fan

bun

pin

pan

gun

win

man

sun



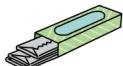
Word families help children recognize patterns in words, a foundational skill for reading.

★ Unscramble the word. Write the word.



nib

bin



umg

gum



tcu

cut



das

sad



ewt

wet



nac

can



tob

bot



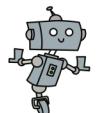
iht

hit



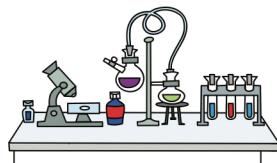
Unscrambling words not only reinforces phonics and vocabulary, it helps children develop critical thinking skills.

★ Match the pictures that rhyme.

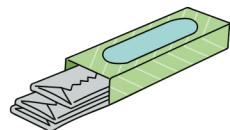


Rhyming activities help children anticipate patterns in words which aids in memory and retention of phonics skills.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the word under the picture.



lab



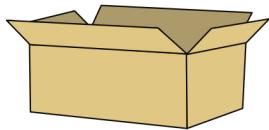
gum



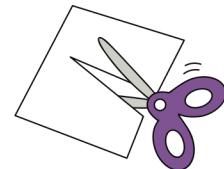
bus



wet



box



cut



hit



sad



mud

★ Circle the picture that matches the short vowel on the left.

o



a



i



u



o



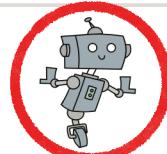
a



e



o



★ Learn the sight word “the.” Practice tracing “the.”

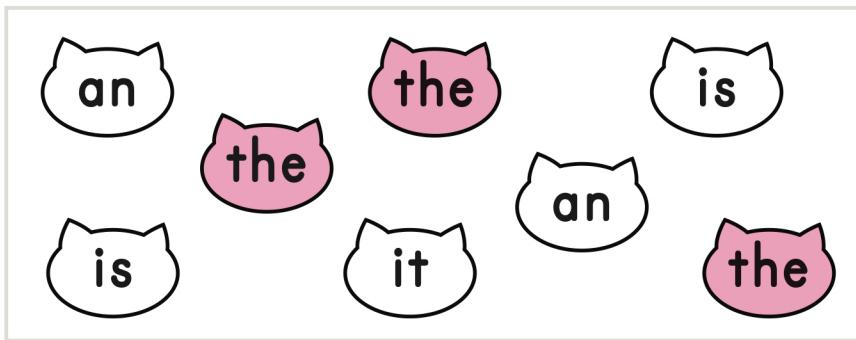
the the the the

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★ Find the word “the” four times.



★ Color the word "the."



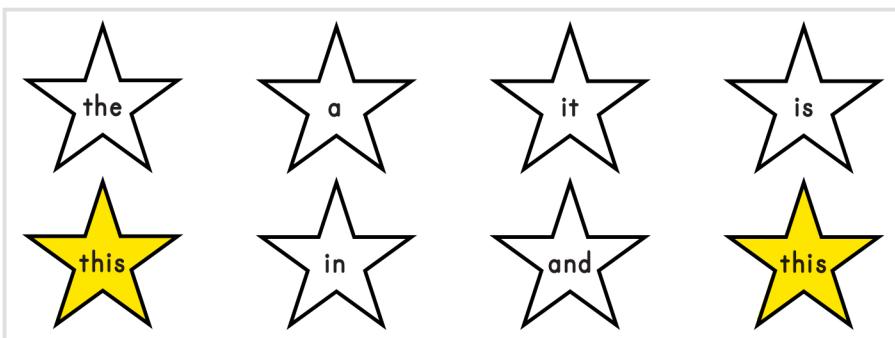
Sight words, or high frequency words, can sometimes be tricky to sound out. It's helpful to learn these words by heart.

★ Learn the sight word “this.” Practice tracing “this.”

this this this this

this this this this

★ Color the word “this.”



★ Check the picture that matches the sentence.

This is wet.



This is hot.



This is red.



★ Match and circle the correct sight word.

the

a it has
and the

this

his the
in this an

in

is an and
in it

is

this it a
his is

it

it this in
the is

an

and an has
in a

★ Point to the word. Say the word. Trace and write the word.

the

the

the

this

this

this

thin

thin

thin

think

think

think

thud

thud

thud

thump

thump

thump



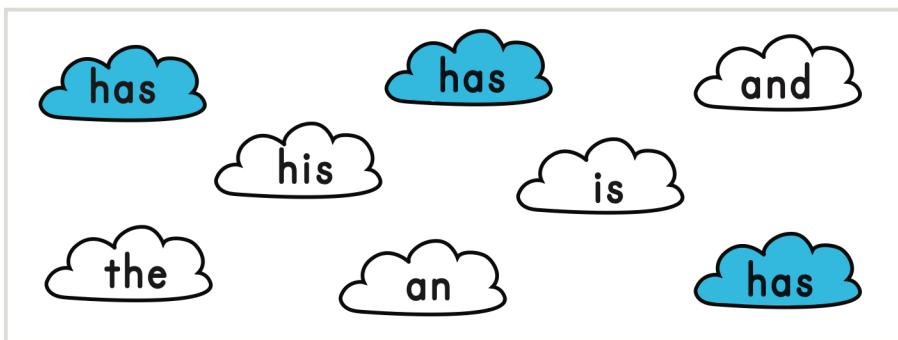
The digraph th makes a sound that can be challenging for beginning readers. Repeated practice leads to mastery.

★ Learn the sight word “has.” Practice tracing “has.”

has has has has

has has has has

★ Color the word “has.”



★ Trace the word “has.” Draw a line to the correct picture.

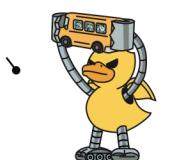
The bot has a bus.



The duck has a box..



The cat has a cup..



★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

ch

ch ch ch ch ch

ch ch ch ch ch



lunch

punch



beach

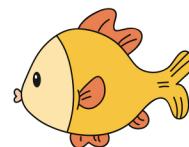
peach

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

sh

sh sh sh sh sh

sh sh sh sh sh



dish

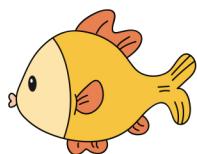
fish



crush

crash

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the ending digraph.



ch sh



ch sh



ch sh



ch sh



ch sh



ch sh



ch sh



ch sh



ch sh



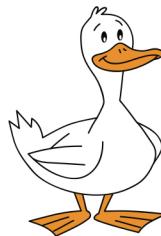
Point out to your child that the digraphs ch and sh can come at the beginning or at the end of a word.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

-uck

uck uck uck uck uck

uck uck uck uck uck



duck

yuck



stuck

truck



The digraph ck can be found at the end of words like duck, lick, and back. This book introduces words that end in the pattern -uck.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

gl

gl gl gl gl gl

gl gl gl gl gl



glad

glue



glove

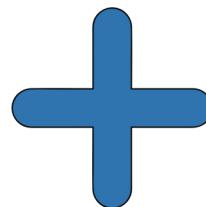
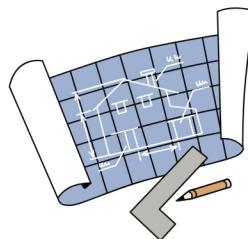
glass

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

pl

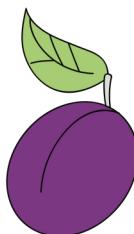
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pl pl pl pl pl

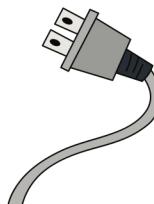


plan

plus

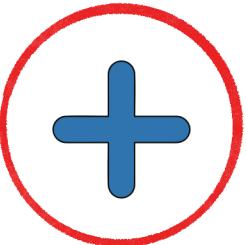
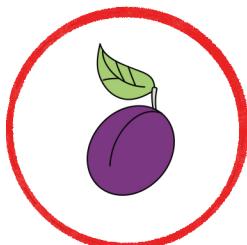


plum

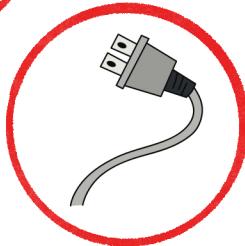
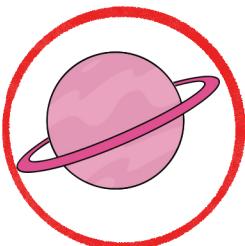


plug

★ Circle the words that begin with the pl blend.



p |



★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

spl

spl spl spl spl spl

spl spl spl spl spl



splat

splat

splat

splat



splash

splash

splash

splash



The most common two-letter consonant blends are the l blends (bl, cl, fl, gl, pl, and sl). In this book, we also introduce a three-letter consonant blend with l, spl.

★ Circle the picture that begins with the blend on the left.

g



p



sp



p



g



p



sp



g

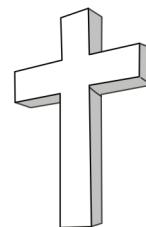


★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

cr

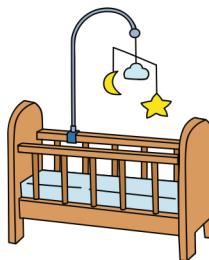
cr cr cr cr cr

cr cr cr cr cr



crab

cross



crib

crash

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

dr

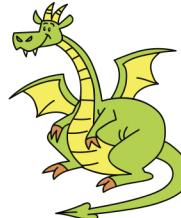
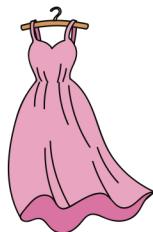
dr dr dr dr dr

dr dr dr dr dr



drum

drill



dress

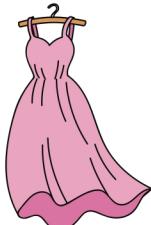
dragon

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the beginning blend.



cr

dr



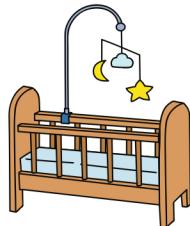
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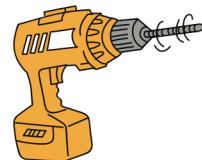
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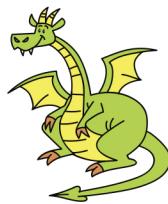
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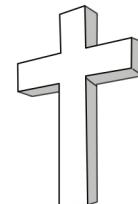
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cr

dr



cr

dr



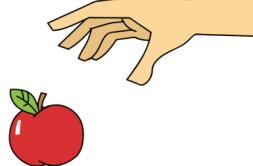
After children master basic letter sounds, learning consonant blends like cr, dr, and gr helps them decode more complex words.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

gr

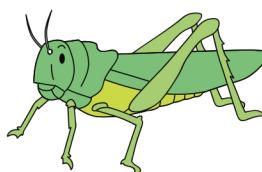
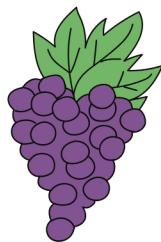
gr gr gr gr gr

gr gr gr gr gr



grab

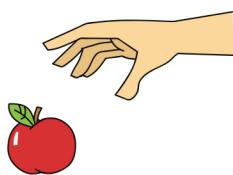
grave



grapes

grasshopper

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the beginning blend.



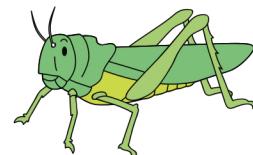
gl

gr



gl

gr



gl

gr



gl

gr



gl

gr



gl

gr



gl

gr



gl

gr



gl

gr



A fun way to practice the gl and gr blends with your child is to pretend to be a bear and a plane. Say the words "growl" and "glide" as you make motions like a bear and plane.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

nch

nch nch nch nch nch

nch nch nch nch nch



lunch

munch



punch

crunch

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

-unk

unk unk unk unk unk

unk unk unk unk unk



bunk

junk



dunk

skunk

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

-ump

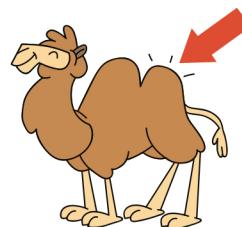
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umpumpumpumpump



ump

jump



pump

hump

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the correct ending letters.

-ump

-unch

-unk



jump

d unk

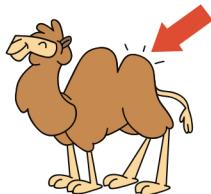
p ump



b unk

unch

p unk



h ump

p unch

j unk

★ Circle the word that matches the picture on the left.



crunch

dunk

pump



jump

junk

lunch



pump

punk

punch



bunk

lunch

hump



munch

jump

ump



stump

skunk

sunk



pump

stump

skunk



lunch

bump

bun



Ending blends such as mp, nch, nk can be tricky for young children to master due to the precise oral motor coordination required. Repeated practice is key.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

- uff

uff uff uff uff uff

uff uff uff uff uff



cuff

puff

cuff

puff

cuff

puff

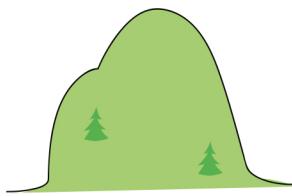
cuff

puff

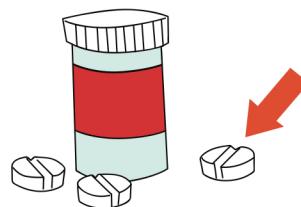
★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

-ill

ill



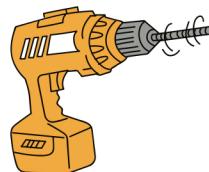
hill



pill



grill



drill

★ Match the word with the correct picture.

grill

pill

lunch

cuff

puff

drill

hill

punch

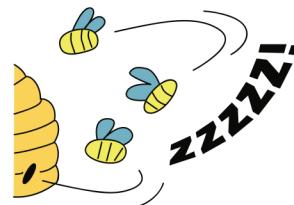
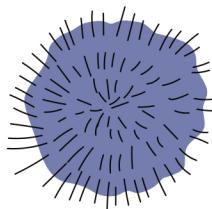


★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

- UZZ

UZZ UZZ UZZ UZZ UZZ

UZZ UZZ UZZ UZZ UZZ



fuzz

buzz

fuzz

buzz

fuzz

buzz

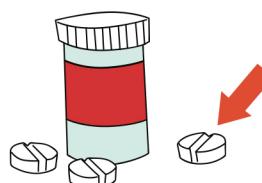
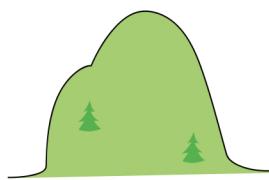
fuzz

buzz

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the correct short vowel.

i

u



h i l l

b u zz

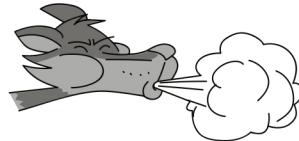
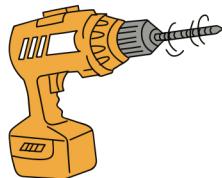
p i l l



g r i l l

s k u n k

c u ff



d u nk

dr i ll

p u ff



A strong vocabulary is pivotal for learning to read. Each Fat Cat Level 1 book presents about 200 decodeable words for students to learn and master.

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Trace the letters.

-ift

ift ift ift ift ift

ift ift ift ift ift



lift

gift

lift

gift

lift

gift

lift

gift

★ Match the word with the correct picture. Write the word.

lift



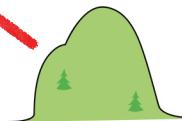
gift

hill



pill

buzz



hill

pill



lift

gift



puff

puff



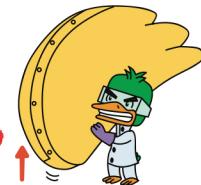
buzz

★ Match the pictures that rhyme.



★ Match the word with the picture. Write the word.

weld



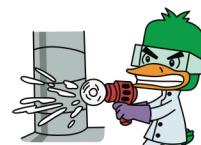
lift

cut



drill

drill



cut

lift



weld

lug



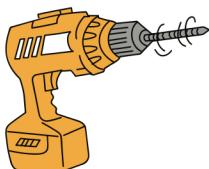
zap

zap



lug

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the word that matches the picture.



cuff

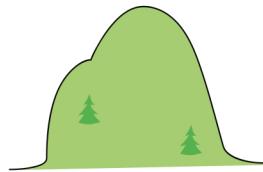
cop

grill

drill

puff

pump



gift

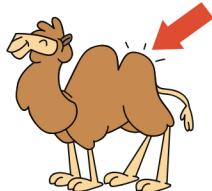
lift

wet

weld

hill

held



dunk

duck

hill

hump

lunch

lift

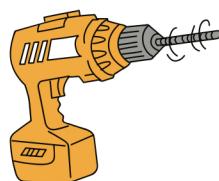
★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the correct ending letters.

-eld

-ift

-ill

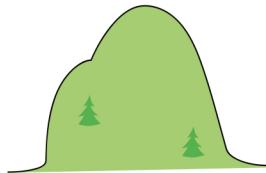
-uff



weld

cuff

drill



hill

puff

gift



lift

grill

held



In this exercise, students practice writing word endings. This helps them recognize and decode common phonetic patterns.

QUIZ 1

HOW MANY DID YOU GET CORRECT?
CHECK YOUR ANSWERS AT THE BACK

/8

★ Circle the word that matches the picture on the left.



bun

bin

bot



cut

cop

can



mad

mop

mud



box

big

bus



fun

fat

fin



lug

leg

lab



sun

sit

sad



hit

hot

hug

QUIZ 2

HOW MANY DID YOU GET CORRECT?
CHECK YOUR ANSWERS AT THE BACK

12

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Write the correct short vowel.

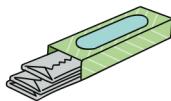
a

e

i

o

u



g **u** m

p **a** n

b **u** s



w **e** t

m **o** p

f **o** x



n u t

v **e** t

t u g



r e d

d **i** g

w **i** n

QUIZ 3

HOW MANY DID YOU GET CORRECT?
CHECK YOUR ANSWERS AT THE BACK

/9

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the beginning blend.



gl

gr

gr

dr

dr

gr



cr

dr

gr

gl

cr

dr



dr

gr

gl

gr

gl

gr

QUIZ 4

HOW MANY DID YOU GET CORRECT?
CHECK YOUR ANSWERS AT THE BACK

12

★ Point to the picture. Say the word. Circle the word that matches the picture.



duck yuck



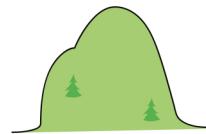
drill grill



junk jump



cash cuff



hump hill



puff pill



grab glad



gift lift



fish dish



puff pump lunch punch



held weld