

The Reading Teacher's Encyclopedia

Games and Activities for Practicing
the Five Essential Components of Reading



you'll reach for it again and again...

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How to Use This Book

1. For each section (there are 25 in all) find the supplied word wall words first and display them in a pocket chart clearly visible to all your students. If you want to jump-start your class, use our SnapWords™ in the pocket chart, and then post the supplied words on your word wall.
2. Print off your reading assessment and have it ready on a clipboard to use in your small groups as you finish up each section. Each child will read the sentences and read as far as he or she can go in a minute. You will then record the date and how many words he or she read. If you make a copy for each child, this report would be great to share with parents during parent-teacher conference time.
3. With your lesson planner in front of you, lay out plans for two weeks at a time. Divide the activities into groups: teacher-led, independent center, whole class games, partner or small group games, writing, etc. Then simply write in your planner which days and times you will use each activity.
4. Any activity that is recorded on paper would make a great contribution to a student portfolio. It would be so easy to tell how each child is doing, where he or she needs more support, and how parents at home could help reinforce their child's learning.
5. When you have determined that all your students know that group of words, post them on the word wall in ABC order and take out the next group of words.

Teacher-led activities:

- Bingo
- Sound Manipulation
- SnapWords™ Word Wall Games
- Assessment

Independent Center Activities:

- ABC Order
- Fill-in-the-Blank
- Sentences to Illustrate
- Making Phrases/Sentences/Words
- Word Search
- Sentence Unscramble

Partner or Small Group Activities:

- Go Fish
- SnapWords™ Word Sort
- Crossword Puzzle

Writing:

- Write About It

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