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Speed sounds and blending



m a s d t
i n p g o
c k u b
f e l h sh
r j v y w
th z ch qu x ng nk

Works to practise blending

m-a-t	c-a-t
d-a-d	a-n-d
s-a-d	a-n
S-a-m	d-o-g
p-i-n	i-t
g-a-p	p-i-g
n-o-t	s-i-t
m-a-n	t-o-p

High Frequency Words

Phase 2

the
to
I
no
go
into

Phase 3

he all
she are
we my
me her
be
was
You
they

Phase 4

said there
have little
like one
so when
do out
some what
come
were

Phase 5

Oh
there
people
Mr
Mrs
looked
called
asked
could

Activities to try at home



Hide tricky words around the house – can your child find the word and try to read it?

Use magnetic letters on your fridge or a whiteboard to make the words at home.

Go on a 'Word Hunt' – what words or sounds can your child find in your house or in your local area?

Explore a new type of reading material – newspaper, comic, recipe card, poem, non fiction book, list.

Play a word game – try Phonics Play or ICT games.