

Words for Phonological Awareness Instruction

Word Type	Words List
Compound Words	airplane, applesauce, backyard, baseball, bathtub, batman, bedspread, beehive, beeswax, bookcase, breadstick, broomstick, bullfrog, cardboard, carpool, cartwheel, coastline, coatrack, cookbook, countdown, cowboy, cowgirl, crosswalk, daytime, doorbell, downtown, drainpipe, eyelash, fishhook, flashlight, football, footprints, greenhouse, groundhog, handbook, headband, headlight, highway, highway, homework, jigsaw, ladybug, leapfrog, mushroom, newsletter, newsprint, newsroom, noontime, northwest, oatmeal, outfit, outside, paintbrush, peanut, pigtail, playmate, playpen, poolside, popcorn, railroad, raindrop, rooftop, rowboat, sailboat, schoolbook, schoolhouse, schoolroom, seaside, seatbelt, seaweed, seesaw, shortcut, sixteen, snowball, snowflake, snowman, snowstorm, soapsuds, somehow, southwest, speedway, steamboat, Sunday, sundown, sunshine, teapot, tinfoil, tiptoe, toenail, toothbrush, upset, waistband, waistline
Two-Syllable Words	able, action, admit, advance, advice, afraid, after, annoy, apart, apple, April, artist, athlete, away, baby, barber, basic, beetle, belong, blanket, bottle, breakfast, bumpy, bunny, butter, cabin, cable, candle, captain, careful, carpet, cartoon, center, challenge, chicken, children, circle, city, classic, compare, complain, concert, concrete, contest, corner, counting, cycle, daddy, darkness, decide, dentist, desert, diner, disturb, divide, dusty, eagle, enjoy, enter, equal, excite, explain, fancy, farmer, finish, forbid, forgave, forget, frozen, funny, further, fuzzy, garden, garlic, gentle, greatest, happen, happy, hornet, hundred, igloo, instead, jelly, jogger, juggle, July, kindness, kitten, lady, landed, lantern, lazy, little, magic, magnet, maple, marble, market, maybe, meadow, messy, middle, Midwest, miscount, misprint, mistake, mommy, monkey, morning, music, napkin, nervous, never, northern, number, order, panda, partner, payment, pencil, penny, perfect, perform, perfume, permit, person, picture, pillow, pony, predict, prepay, prevent, priceless, princess, puddle, puppy, purchase, purple, puzzle, quickly, raccoon, rainy, rattle, recess, recline, rely, reprint, riddle, river, robin, robot, safely, sample, sentence, seven, sharpen, silence, silent, silly, silver, simple, sleepy, sloppy, snuggle, sparkle, spider, staple, student, study, submit, suggest, sunny, super, surprise, table, target, teddy, termite, thirsty, thirteen, Thursday, tiny, title, tricky, tumble, tummy, tunnel, turtle, unfair, whistle, wiggle, window, winter, yellow, zero



Three-Syllable Words	addition, adventure, alphabet, amusement, animal, argument, attendance, attention, attraction, audience, babysit, benefit, borderline, butterfly, capable, carelessness, combining, comparing, completely, completion, confusion, connected, consistent, continue, contribute, dangerous, dealership, decision, department, developed, difficult, disagree, disappear, disloyal, disorder, disturbance, donation, dramatic, educate, encourage, energy, engineer, entertain, estimate, evidence, example, expected, expensive, explaining, fantastic, finishing, fisherman, flowerpot, forgetful, foundation, gingerbread, grandmother, grocery, handwriting, hibernate, holiday, honesty, imagine, imperfect, impolite, important, impressive, incomplete, inhabit, instructed, instructor, introduce, invention, inventor, leadership, manager, maximum, medical, memorize, minimum, obstacle, obvious, operate, organize, peppermint, personal, porcupine, potato, principal, protection, punishing, recapture, reconnect, reinvent, relaxing, remainder, remember, returning, seventeen, similar, strategy, summarize, teenager, telephone, tornado, umbrella, uncertain, uncommon, understand, vacation, valentine, vitamin, windowsill		
Four-Syllable Words	agreeable, apparently, astonishes, automatic, category, combination, competition, consistently, contribution, development, difficulty, disappearing, disrespectful, education, educator, encouragement, entertainment, expectation, firefighter, impossible, incredible, investigate, manageable, misinform, misunderstand, obviously, ordinary, participate, reconnection, reliable, reorganize, unexpected, unproductive, unsuccessful		
Onset & Rime	Onset & Rime (no blends)	Select any word with an onset that has one phoneme from the One-Syllable Words (Simple Syllables) Three-Phonemes List	
	Onset & Rime (with consonant blends)	Select any word with an onset from the One-Syllable Words (Complex Syllables) Three- Four- or Five- Phonemes Lists	
One-Syllable Words (Simple Syllables)	Words with Two Phonemes	ace, ache, age, aid, aim, an, ape, arm, art, ash, at, ate, bay, be, bow, boy, by, car, cow, day, doe, each, edge, eel, egg, far, few, fur, go, hay, he, hi, how, ice, if, in, is, it, itch, jar, jaw, joy, key, knee, law, lay, lie, low, may, ray, me, mow, new, no, now, oak, oat, odd, off, oil, on, out, owl, own, pay, pie, raw, ray, row, saw, say, see, she, show, shy, sigh, sir, so, tea, thaw, tie, to, toe, toy, up, us, use, war, way, we, why, zoo	



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	Words with Three Phonemes	back, bad, badge, bait, bake, bark, barn, bat, batch, bath, beach, bead, bean, bed, beg, big, bike, bin, bird, birth, bite, boil, bone, book, boot, booth, born, both, bowl, bug, burn, cage, cake, call, can, card, cart, case, cash, cat, catch, cave, cell, chain, charge, chart, chat, cheek, chin, chip, chip, chirp, choice, chop, chose, church, coin, cone, cook, cook, cool, cord, corn, cube, cup, curb, curl, dark, dash, dawn, deck, dime, dirt, ditch, dodge, dog, doll, down, face, fade, fail, faith, fake, farm, fawn, feed, feel, feet, fetch, fill, firm, fish, fit, fog, foil, food, foot, force, fork, form, fort, fudge, fun, fuse, gate, gate, gem, germ, get, goal, goat, good, hard, harm, hat, hatch, hate, hawk, head, head, hedge, hide, hike, hill, hole, home, hood, hook, hoop, hope, horn, howl, hug, huge, hurt, jail, join, joke, judge, jug, keep, keep, kid, kiss, kite, lace, laid, lake, lamb, lame, lap, large, latch, late, lead, leaf, leak, leap, ledge, leg, let, lick, life, lime, line, loud, mad, main, make, march, mat, match, math, meat, men, mess, mice, mine, miss, mood, mop, moth, much, mute, nail, neat, need, nice, nine, noon, north, nose, nose, notch, nut, pad, page, paid, park, part, peace, peach, peel, pen, phone, pick, pig, pile, pin, pipe, pitch, pool, porch, pork, pot, rain, rat, rate, reach, read, rib, rice, rich, ridge, rise, road, rock, roof, room, root, rope, rude, rule, rush, sack, sad, sale, same, sane, sauce, sell, set, shake, shark, shed, sheet, ship, shirt, shook, shop, shout, shut, side, size, soap, soil, song, sort, south, sun, sun, surf, take, tape, teach, teeth, ten, that, them, theme, these, thick, thin, third, thorn, tide, tile, time, toad, took, tool, top, torn, town, tube, tune, turn, vat, verb, voice, vote, wag, wage, wake, wet, whale, wheat, wheel, wife, wish, wood, worn, yap, yard, yarn, yet, zoom
One-Syllable Words (Complex Syllables)	Words with Three Phonemes	and, ant, blew, blow, blur, claw, clay, crow, cry, draw, drew, dry, east, elf, end, flaw, flea, flew, flow, fly, fry, glow, gray, grow, ink, play, pray, scar, short, sky, slay, slow, snow, star, stew, sway, three, throw, tray, tree, try
	Words with Four Phonemes	band, beast, belt, bend, best, blade, bled, bleed, bloom, blurt, blush, boast, brace, brag, braid, brain, brave, bread, breath, bride, bridge, broke, broom, brown, brush, bump, burnt, burst, camp, clap, clash, clean, click, clip, clock, clog, clown, coast, cold,

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		count, crab, crane, crash, crate, creek, crib, crowd, crown, dance, dent, desk, drain, drawn, dream, drip, drive, drop, drove, drown, drum, dust, faint, fast, fault, feast, fence, first, fist, flag, flake, fled, float, flop, flute, found, fox, frame, fresh, frog, frown, gift, glad, glass, grab, grade, grain, grape, grass, green, greet, grill, groan, growl, health, joint, junk, just, land, launch, lift, limp, list, mask, meant, melt, milk, mist, must, nest, paint, past, pest, pink, place, plan, plane, plate, pledge, plug, plum, point, pound, price, prince, prize, proof, quake (/q/ /w/ /ā/ /k/), raft, rest, risk, roast, scarf, self, sent, shelf, shred, shrub, since, skate, skill, skin, skip, skirt, skit, slack, sleep, slice, slid, slide, slouch, slurp, smart, smell, smooth, snack, snail, snake, sneak, snug, sound, space, spark, speak, speech, speed, spell, spice, spill, spin, spoil, sport, spot, spray, stack, stage, stain, start, steal, stern, stick, sting, stole, stone, stood, stool, stop, storm, stove, straw, stray, stride, stuck, sunk, sweep, sweet, swim, swirl, switch, task, tent, think, thirst, thread, throat, throne, track, trail, trait, trash, treat, trim, trip, trout, truck, twice, twirl, vent, waist, wealth, went, woods
	Words with Five Phonemes	brisk, drink, grand, ground, print, scrap, scrape, scratch, scream, screen, scrub, shrimp, shrunk, spend, spent, splash, splat, split, sprain, spread, spring, squirt, strand, stream, street, stress, stride, strike, string, stripe, twist
Phoneme Manipulation	Addition	start with /ĭt/ \rightarrow add /h/, /b/, /f/, /k/, /l/, /m/, /p/, /s/ start with /ĭn/ \rightarrow add /b/, /k/, /f/, /p/, /t/, /w/ start with /ăt/ \rightarrow add /b/, /k/, /f/, /h/, /m/, /p/, /r/, /s/ start with /ăn/ \rightarrow add /b/, /f/, /k/, /m/, /p/, /r/, /t/, /v/ start with /ănd/ \rightarrow add /b/, /h/, /l/, /s/ start with /ām/ \rightarrow add /b/, /h/, /l/, /p/, /s/, /y/ start with /āt/ \rightarrow add /b/, /d/, /f/, /g/, /h/, /l/ /m/, /r/, /w/ start with /āt/ \rightarrow add /b/, /k/, /f/, /j/, /l/, /m/, /r/, /s/, /t/ start with /ŏt/ \rightarrow add /b/, /k/, /g/, /h/, /j/, /l/, /n/, /p/, /r/ start with /ĕd/ \rightarrow add /b/, /d/, /f/, /h/, /l/, /r/, /s/, /w/ start with /ŭn/ \rightarrow add /b/, /d/, /f/, /p/, /r/, /s/, /w/ Select any other one-syllable word families, such as: /ĭng/, /ĕt/, /ĭm/, /ŏp/, /ăp/, /ăk/, /ĭg/, /ĭp/, /ūg/, /ūt/, /ar/, /ŭp/, /ĕnt/, /īd/, /ŏk/, /ām/, /āp/ /all/, /ŏb/, /īght/, /on/, /ān/, /āl/



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Deletion	delete the initial sound from the following words: blow, brisk, claw, crow, draw, drink, flaw, flow, glow, gray, ground, grow, play, pray, slay, slow, snow, sway, throw, tray, bled, bleed, brace, brag, braid, brain, bread, bride, bridge, broom, brush, clap, clash, clean, click, clip, clock, clog, crash, crate, crib, drain, drip, flag, flake, fled, glad, grain, place, plane, plate, pledge, plug, price, proof, quake, shred, shrub, sleep, slid, smart, snail, space, spark, speak, speech, spill, spin, spot, spray, stack, start, steal, stick, stone, stop, stray, stuck, sweep, switch, thread, track, trail, trash, street, trim, trip delete the final sound from the following words: ant, band, burnt, blurt, brown, dance, dent, joint, paint, scarf, tent, think, woods
Substitution	change /h/ in <i>hat</i> to /m/, /b/, /k/, /f/, /p/, /r/, or /s/ change /ă/ in <i>hat</i> to /ŏ/, /ŭ/, /ĭ/, /ē/, or /ā/ change /t/ in <i>hat</i> to /d/, /m/, /s/, or /v/ change /t/ in <i>top</i> to /h/, /m/, or /p/ change /ŏ/ <i>top</i> to /ă/, /ā/, / ĭ /, or /ī/ change /p/ in <i>top</i> to /k/, /m/, or /t/ change /s/ in <i>sit</i> to /b/, /k/, /f/, /h/, /l/, or /p/ change /i/ in <i>sit</i> to /ă/, /ĕ/, /ē/, /ī/, /ū/ change /t/ in <i>sit</i> to /k/, /l/, /p/, or /ks/ Select any other one-syllable word with 2-5 phonemes in which the first, middle, or last sound/phoneme can be replaced.