

Sight Word Practice Ideas

- ***Flashlight Writing**- In a darkened room, use a flashlight to write the sight words in the air or on the wall.
- ***Back Writing**-Have your child use his/her finger to spell out each of the sight words, one letter at a time, on someone's back. Then switch write on your child's back, having him/her try to figure out each word.
- ***Delicious Words**-Spray a small amount of whipped cream (or anything else edible) on a plate, table, or cookie sheet and spread it out. Write the sight words in the whipped cream.
- ***Air Write**-Have your child write the sight words in the air using a finger. Have someone read the words as your child writes them OR have someone air write and have your child read the words.
- ***Good, Clean Words**-Find a countertop, flat surface, or cookie sheet that can be cleaned easily. Spray a small amount of shaving cream and spread it out. Write the sight words in the shaving cream.
- ***Spelling Flowers**-Draw a picture of a great big flower. Write one sight word on each petal or leaf. Draw extra flowers if you don't have enough room.
- ***Type 'Em**-Have your child type the sight words on the computer. Send them to the teacher.
- ***Rainbow Write**-Write each sight word with a pencil. Then trace over each word 3 times. Each time you trace, use a different color crayon or colored pencil. Your words will look like rainbows.
- ***Three Times**-Write each sight word 3 times. The first time write with a pencil. The second time write with a crayon. The third time with a marker.
(remember to use correct letter formation and write neatly)
- ***Colorful Words**-Write each of your sight words using a different color for each letter.
- ***3-D Words**-Use play-doh or clay to sculpt the sight words.
- ***Spell it**-Use magnetic letters or Scrabble tiles to spell out the sight words.
- ***Spelling Bee**-Practice the sight words in Spelling Bee style. Have your child spell the sight words out loud to someone.
- ***Spelling Flashcards**-Make a set of flashcards. Have your child read the word and then spell it out loud (for example: there, t-h-e-r-e).

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- *Match-Up**-Write each of the sight words on two different index cards. Turn all the cards face down and mix them up. Lay out the cards in rows (like Memory) and flip over two cards at a time. Read each card aloud to see if they match. Keep them if they match or flip over and try again if they don't.
- *Choo-Choo Words**-Write the sight words end-to-end as one long word (like a train).
Use a different colored crayon for each word (ex: amlikeseeanthe).
- *Spelling Baseball**-Draw four bases on a piece of paper or lay out four pillows to be the bases. The pitcher selects a word. If the batter can spell the word correctly, he/she moves forward one base.
- *Practice Test**-Take a practice test. Have someone ask your child to spell the sight words on a piece of paper. Check your practice test and practice any words that were missed.
- *Spill a Sight Word**-Write the sight words on cards and put them in an empty container. Have your child shake the container and empty it on a table. Read the words that land face-up. Do this several times.
- *Catch a Word**-Write the sight words on masking tape and tape the words to a beach ball. Toss the ball with your child and have your child read the word his/her thumb is on when the ball is caught.
- *Doodle-it**-Use a magna doodle and write the sight words on it.
- *Noodles**- Use cooked spaghetti and make the words with the noodles.
- *Salty Words**-Put a small amount of salt on a cookie sheet or in a tray. Have your child write the sight words in the salt.
- *Toss a Word**-Toss (or roll) a ball back and forth with your child. Have your child say the first letter, and then toss the ball and you say the second letter, and so forth.
- *Word Search**-Make a word search puzzle using your sight words. Use the Discovery School's online Puzzle Maker. <http://www.puzzlemaker.com>
Then find the words.
- *Pasta Words**-Arrange alphabet pasta or Alphabits cereal to form your sight words.
If you would like you can glue the words to a piece of paper and display them in your house.
- *Outside Time**-If it is a nice day go outside and write the sight words with sidewalk chalk or with a paintbrush and water on the sidewalk or driveway.