



Family Literacy Engagement Grab & Go: Sentence Building

This activity would be
best used by:

Schools Families

Materials:

- Sentence strips (long piece of paper) or index cards
- Markers
- Scissors

Steps:

1. Think of a sentence, and write the sentence on the sentence strip or write each word on an index card (make sure to use proper capitalization and punctuation).
2. Cut the words apart (if using a sentence strip) and mix them up.
3. Give the child the mixed up words and have them put the sentence together.

Lagniappe:

Connect this to vocabulary work by including vocabulary words that the student is learning in the sentences.

Create both simple and complex sentences for the student to arrange.

As students' abilities develop, put commas and other punctuation on separate cards so that they can place the punctuation in the correct spots.

For students who like a challenge, this activity can be done with words as well by writing each letter of a word on an index card or piece of paper to cut apart. Mix up the individual letters and let the child build the word by putting the pieces back together in order. See how many different words they can spell with those letters too.

