

Short Vowels (Vowel/Consonant (VC) / Consonant/Vowel/Consonant (CVC)) Activities

Word Puzzles Download the pdf below for directions and printable materials for making CVC puzzles.

http://www.heidisongs.com/Free_Downloads/assets/CVCPuzzles-at-Word_Family.pdf

CVC Boxes Download the pdf below and print the CVC Word Skill Sheets. Have the child fill in the boxes with the letters to make the word that matches the picture.

http://www.teachwithme.com/images/stories/cvc_skill_sheets_1.pdf

Nonsense/Real Word Sort Print CVC words on index cards (box, nof, red, sep, ham, jad, win, tis, cut, guk). Have the child read the words and decide whether is a real or nonsense word. Sort the words into two piles.

CVC Word Families Go to the website listed below, scroll down, click on any of the activities in red, and print. This website has a wealth of free CVC printables.

<http://www.3dinosaurs.com/printables/learningtoread/wordfamily.php>

CVC Rules Write CVC words on index cards or paper (some examples- cap, hot, sun, wig, leg, dog, fan, mug, did, fed, hat, top, sub, win, pet) Have the child look at one word at a time and ask how many vowels (a, e, i, o, u) do you see? "One." Where is the vowel? "The vowel is in the middle." What is the word rule? "One vowel followed by one or more consonants in a word or syllable is usually short." Then identify the short sound of the vowel, say all the sounds, and read the whole word.

CVC Search As you are reading a book with the child, write down all the CVC and VC (as, us, up, at, if, in, on, etc) words. After reading the book, practice reading the words on your list.

Interactive Websites-

<http://www.ictgames.com/machine.html>

<http://pbskids.org/lions/games/pounce.html>

<http://www.galacticphonics.com/cvc/interactive/cvcspell/cvcspell.htm>

<http://www.galacticphonics.com/cvc/interactive/memory/memory.htm>

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/clifford1/flash/vowels/>

http://www.literactive.com/Download/live.asp?swf=story_files/hanging_monkeys_US.swf

<http://www.starfall.com/n/level-a/learn-to-read/load.htm?f>

<http://pbskids.org/lions/games/dubcubs.html>

Books for Teaching Short Vowels-

A Bat Named Pat By Betsy Franco *The Bug in the Jug wants a Hug* By Brian Cleary

A Nap for Zap By Kama Einhorn *Hop on Pop* By Dr. Seuss

Kip Gets Fit By Suzanne Barchers

Can You Fix It? By Jane Wilson

Word Bird Makes Words With Hen By Jane Moncure

How the Short Vowel Club Got Started By Marian Burneff

Little Pigs, Big Pigs: Learning the Short I Sound By Shelby Braidich