

## What Is Structured Literacy?

### Reading

Apply letter-sound connections by **reading decodable books**.



To read words, your child should say the sound for each letter or letter combination (d-i-sh) and then **blend** the sounds to read the word (dish).

### Spelling & Writing

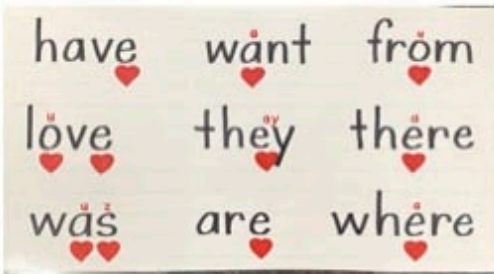
To spell words, your child should **segment or break the word into sounds** and write the letter or letter combination for each sound.



Developing writers are still learning all the spelling patterns so it's ok if your child misspells some words they haven't yet learned.

### What about Tricky Words?

Learn to read and spell irregular words.



These **words have a tricky part that needs to be learned "by heart."** The rest of the word can be sounded out. For example, *was* and *love* are irregular words.