

Ways to practice sight words at home

Paper Plate Toss: Write sight words on paper plates. Use like Frisbees to throw after reading the word.

Concentration: Make a duplicate set of word cards and play "Concentration"

Go Fish: With a duplicate set of word cards play "Go Fish"

Tic-Tac-Toe: Write words in the tic-tac-toe spaces. Take turns selecting a space to read. If read correctly, an X or O is placed on the space until someone wins.

Word-O: This is played just like BINGO. Fill in a card with the words that you are working on. Call out the words and mark the spaces. The first one with a card covered calls out the word "WORDO!"

Word Hunt: Look for target words in books or in the newspaper. If using the newspaper your child can highlight or circle the word ring words that he/she finds

SNAP: You put the sight words you want them to practice on flash cards and put the flash cards into a jar (maybe like an oatmeal jar). Also, you write the word SNAP! on a few flash cards and put them in the jar also. The kids can play in partners or in groups of 3 or 4. They take turns pulling a card out of the jar. If they can say the word on the card automatically with no struggle, they get to keep the card. If they struggle, they have to put it back. If they pull out one of the cards that says SNAP! They have to put back all of the cards they've drawn.

Play coin toss - Put words on the floor - children take turns to toss a coin onto a word and say that word.

- **Play who am I?** For example, I rhyme with bed, I have 3 letters, and I end in "d".
 - **Children go outside and practice writing their words with chalk on the concrete.**
 - **Flashlight words** - turn off lights. Tape words on the wall or ceiling. Use the flashlight to shine on the word then read.
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- **Children make their own word wall/dictionary using photocopied small sight words and scrapbooks labeled with a letter of the alphabet on each page... can be added to throughout the year.**
 - **Make words using play dough.**
 - **Beat the clock** - how many times can a word be written in 1 minute etc
 - **Play stepping stones** - place words on the floor and children walk over them saying the word as they go to get to the other side of the stream. Make words using letter tiles -scrabble pieces
 - **Make words using stencils.**
 - **Make words using alphabet stamps.**
 - **Make words using magnetic letters**
 - **Delicious Words** -Write your words in whipped cream, peanut butter, or anything you can eat
 - **Good Clean Words** -Write your words in shaving cream on a counter or some other surface that can be cleaned safely

- **Word of the Day:** tape one or two words written on an index card next to the front door, as EVERYONE in the family leaves or enters the house.....ask them to touch the word and yell it out.
- **Jump to Read:** write the words your child is practicing in chalk outside, spend five to ten minutes a day jumping from word to word and calling them out.
- **Sight Word Search:** Hide two or three sight words around the house (written on a post it). Have your child find them (each day hide them in a new place).
- **Note of the Day:** Each day write your child a short note (1–3 sentences). Include the words they are practicing. Ask them to circle those words in crayon(bonus points for letting them use their favorite color).
- **Catch:** Use a sharpie to write each word from your child's current set on different parts of a beach ball. Toss the ball back and forth, yelling out the words that face up each time.
- **LEGO:** Put letters onto a set of legos and BUILD the words.

