



WORD RECOGNITION IDEAS FOR HOME



CLIMB THE STAIRS

Put a word on each step. The child says each word as they climb the stairs (can lay on floor if there are no stairs). Say it first or put the same word on each step until child has mastered a few. Add a few at a time.

FLASHLIGHT FUN

Give child a flash card and have him look for that word (5-10 times) in a newspaper or in a magazine. Each time s/he finds the word s/he circles it and says the word.

HIDE AND GO SEEK

Hide the letters around the room when the child is busy elsewhere. When child returns, have him find the letters one at a time and tell you what letter it is. It's fun if the letters you hide make a word he knows...like hide the letters of his name, brother's name, etc. Can child correctly rearrange letters to spell the word?



CONCENTRATION

If you have 2 sets of cards (or make an extra set), you can play Concentration. Choose several pairs of matching words and spread them out face down on a table/floor. As child turns over each word, he must read them. If they match, s/he wins them; if not, they are turned back over.

WHAT'S MISSING?

Child places 3-4 words on the table, identifies words, and then closes eyes while parent removes one word. Child identifies missing word. Then parent closes eyes, and lets child remove a word.



PAINTING WORDS

Paint words on the cement with water.



MAKING WORDS

Make words out of pretzels, Twizzlers, gummy worms, sour snakes, and other long skinny candies.

RHYMING WITH WORDS

Play rhyming games such as "I'm thinking of a word that rhymes with "cat" and begins with /b/. (bat)

SOUND DELETION

Play deletion games such as "What is cart without the /c/?" (art) "What is bark without the /k/?" (bar)



WAYS TO PRACTICE WORDS AT HOME

🍎 ABC Order

Write your words in alphabetical order

✱ 🍎 Rainbow Words

Write your words in three colors

🍎 Picture Words

Draw a picture and write your words in the picture

🍎 Scrambled Words

Write your words and then write them again with the letters mixed

🍎 Ransom Words

Write your words by cutting out letters in a newspaper or magazine and glue them on a paper

✱ 🍎 Pyramid Words

Write your words adding one letter at a time

🍎 Words-In-Words

Write your word and then write at least 2 words made from each

🍎 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

✱ 🍎 Dirty Words

Write your words in mud or sand

✱ 🍎 Pasta Words

Write your words by arranging alphabet pasta or Alphabits. Glue on paper or bring me a note from a parent and do on a table or counter at home

✱ 🍎 3D Words

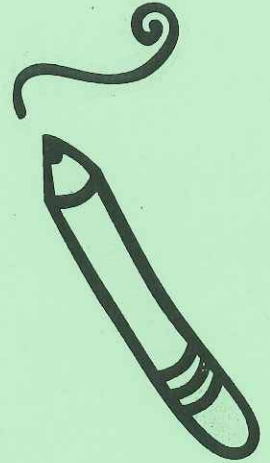
Use modeling clay rolled thinly to make your words

🍎 Magazine Words

Use an old magazine or newspaper and find your word

🍎 Cheer Your Words

Pretend you are a cheerleader and call out your words



🍏 Sound Words

Use tape recorder and record your words and their spelling

🍏 X Words

Write two words having one common letter so they criss-cross

🍏 Other Handed

If you are right-handed, write with your left, or vice versa

🍏 Choo-Choo Words

Write the entire list end-to-end as one long word, using different colors of crayon or ink for different words

🍏 Silly String

With a long length of string, "write" words in cursive, using the string to shape the letters.

✶ 🍏 Back Writing

Using your finger, draw each letter on a partners' back, having the partner say the word when completed

🍏 Telephone Words

Translate your words into numbers from a telephone keypad

🍏 Flash Writing

In a darkened room, use a flashlight to draw letters in the air

🍏 Newspaper Words

Search a newspaper page from top to bottom, circling each letter of a word as you find it

🍏 30 Second Words

Write a TV commercial using all the words from your list

✶ 🍏 Popsicles

make words using popsicle sticks

🍏 Secret Agent Words

Number the alphabet from 1 to 26, then convert your words to a number code

🍏 Etch-A-Word

Use an Etch-A-Sketch to write your words