

Let's Talk About SIGHT WORDS

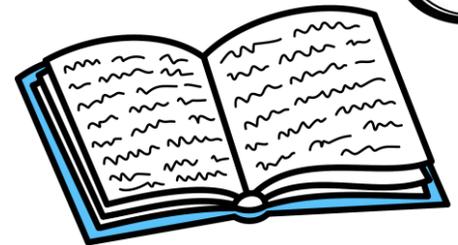
What are sight words?

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- Sight words are words that can be read automatically without sounding them out.
- Sight words include the most common words we see while reading. You may also hear some sight words called "high frequency words."

- Learning sight words helps your child become a more confident reader.
- They can read more fluently.
- This also improves reading comprehension.
- Readers who struggle with sight words may become frustrated and overwhelmed.

Why do they matter?



How do we practice?



- Sight words help your child grow as a reader and as a writer.
- Your child can practice reading the word by itself and reading it in a sentence.
- Your child can also think of a new sentence using the word.
- Sight word games make practicing fun and engaging for your child!

SIGHT WORD GAMES

Window Washer

- Choose 6-8 sight word cards.
- Write the words on a glass window using a dry erase marker.
- Call out a word and let your child erase it with a paper towel.
- For a challenge, your child can write the words and tell you which words to erase.



Reading Relay

- Arrange sight word cards on the floor like a path. Place a plush toy beside the last card.
- Hop from card to card as you read the word.
- When you get to the last card, pick up the plush toy. Hop back with the toy and read the sentence on each card.



Salt Letters

- Pour a layer of salt onto a colored paper plate.
- Look at 1 sight word card.
- Use your finger to write the word in the salt.
- Gently shake the plate to erase the word and repeat.



Reading Mountain

- Bring your sight word cards to the stairs. Place 1 card on each step and place a toy at the bottom.
- Get the toy to "climb" the mountain by reading each word.
- Get the toy to "climb" back down by reading the sentence on each card.
- Repeat with more toys.

