

Building Words

Grades 1-6



Purpose of this activity:

To reinforce phonemic awareness, spelling, and decoding skills by physically manipulating letters to form words.

What you'll need:

Letter tile cards and a list of target words.

How to play:

1. Cut out and place the set of letter tile cards and the word list you are working with on the work space in front of you.
2. Build each word on the list using the letter tile cards.
3. After building the word, read it aloud, break it down into phonemes, and then reassemble it. (Phonemes are sounds in a word. For example, cat would be broken down to /k/ /a/ /t/; shake would be broken down to /sh/ /a/ /k/, etc.),

*Challenge: Spell the word backwards after completing the word in it's original order.

** Challenge: Create new words using the same tiles.

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| A | A | A | B | B | B | C | C |
| C | D | D | D | E | E | E | F |
| F | F | G | G | G | H | H | H |
| I | I | I | J | J | J | K | K |
| K | L | L | L | M | M | M | N |
| N | N | O | O | O | P | P | P |
| Q | Q | Q | R | R | R | S | S |
| S | T | T | T | U | U | U | V |
| V | V | W | W | W | X | X | X |
| Y | Y | Y | Z | Z | Z | A | A |
| E | E | I | I | O | O | U | U |