

Ideas for reading and writing High Frequency words (also called Commonly Used words) and letters.

- ✦ 3-D Words- Use Play Dough or clay to sculpt words or letters.
- ✦ Air Write- Write words or letters in the air using your finger. Have a partner read the words as you write them OR a parent can “air write” the words and your job is to read the words.
- ✦ Back Writing- Use your finger to write the words or letters, on your Mum or Dad’s back. Then it’s YOUR turn to FEEL and spell.
- ✦ Delicious Words- Spray a small amount of whipped cream (or anything you can eat) on a plate and spread it out. Write words or letters in the whipped cream and be sure to clean up afterwards... yummy!
- ✦ Fancy Letters- Write words or letters. Then write them again using fancy letters.
- ✦ Good, Clean Words- Find a countertop or flat surface that can be cleaned easily. Spray a small amount of shaving cream and spread it out. Write words or letters in the shaving cream and be sure to clean up afterwards!
- ✦ Magazine Words- Use an old magazine or newspaper and find words or letters (or the letters that make up your word). Cut it out and glue it onto paper.
- ✦ Match-Up- Write words or letters on two different cards. Turn all the cards face down and mix them up. Lay out your cards in rows (like Concentration) and flip over two cards at a time. Read each card aloud to see if they match. Keep them if they do or flip over and try again.
- ✦ Snap- Write 2 sets of words or letters on cards and play snap.
- ✦ Pyramid Words- Write words in a pyramid shape. Start with the first letter. On the next line, write the first two letters. On the third line, write the first three letters. Continue until you have written the entire word.
Example: them
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them
- ✦ Scrabble- Use Scrabble tiles to spell out words. For a little extra math practice, figure out the value of each of your words!
- ✦ Password – write words or letters on cards and attach to doors/cupboards. To open the door/cupboard you must read and then say the word.
- ✦ Using a laminated letter formation card and a whiteboard marker, trace over letters.