

Quick CVC Word Chains

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Use these chains to build phonemic awareness while incorporating letters. Students should create each new word by switching out a letter tile or by erasing a letter and writing a new one on a dry erase board.

Here is a suggested routine for the word chain CAT-PAT-PAD-MAD-SAD

The first word is CAT. A *cat* is a pet with whiskers and a long tail. Repeat? (CAT).

Tap the sounds of CAT. /k/ /ă/ /t/. What is the first sound? How do we spell /k/? What is the next sound? How do we spell /ă/? What is the final sound? How do we spell /t/?

Slide your finger under the word and read it.

Change CAT to PAT. I *pat* the puppy. Repeat? (PAT)
Which spelling will you change? Slide and read.

Change PAT to PAD. I write on a note *pad*. Repeat? (PAD)
Which spelling will you change? Slide and read.

Change PAD to MAD. I was *mad* when my brother broke my toy. Repeat? (MAD)
Which spelling will you change? Slide and read.

Change MAD to SAD. My little sister cried when she was *sad*. Repeat? (SAD)
Which spelling will you change? Slide and read.

cat pat pad mad sad	big bin win wig wag	fox fix fax Max mix	bus bud bad had hat	web wed red rid bid	job jab dab dad sad	sit lit lot pot pod
yes yet jet jot tot	man men ten Ted tad	bun fun fan tan tax	him Kim rim ram rag	mop mob rob Bob bib	cup pup pep pop pox	wag bag beg Meg met
zip zap zag sag sat	net not dot dog hog	hot bot bit bin ban	cab lab lob log jog	dug mug mud bud bid	ham hem him hit kit	let led Ned nod sod