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Stimulus Word	Question	Answer
bang	Name two words that rhyme with this word.	Ex: clang, rang, sang
bang	What parts sound the same?	The "ang" ending
banks	How many sounds would you tap out in this word?	3: /b/ /ank/ /s/
banks	What is a welded sound?	Two or more letters stuck together so closely they count as one sound unit
blast	Name the two blends in this word.	bl, st
blend	Tap out each sound in this word.	/b/ /l/ /ɛ/ /n/ /d/ OR /b/ /l/ /ε/ /n/ /d/
blend	Name the two blends in this word.	bl, nd
blind	How many sounds would you tap out in this word?	3: /b/ /l/ /ɪnd/
blind	Why?	Ex: includes a welded team "ind"; welded teams only get one tap
blind	What is a closed syllable?	Syllable with one vowel that is followed by at least one consonant; vowel makes its short sound
blink	What sounds do the "b" and "l" say in this word?	/b/ /l/
bluff	Why does this word have a double letter?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
bluff	Use three words to describe your perfect day.	Student's own response
bold	Is this a closed syllable exception?	Yes
bold	How do you know?	It's an exception because even though it is a closed syllable, the "o" makes a long sound instead of a short sound.
bolt	How many sounds would you tap out in this word?	2: /b/ /ɔlt/
bolt	Why?	The welded team "olt" only gets one tap.
branch	Name the digraph in this word and its sound.	ch: /ch/ OR /tʃ/
branch	What sound does "an" make?	/an/ OR /æ/ nasalized
brands	Tap out each sound in this word.	/b/ /r/ /an/ /d/ /z/ OR /b/ /r/ /æɪn/ /d/ /z/
brands	Name the blend.	br ("an" is welded; suffixes are not generally included in blends)
brands	What is a welded sound?	Two or more letters stuck together so closely they count as one sound unit
bring	If you added the suffix "s" to this word, what sound would the "s" make?	/z/

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brunches	What sounds do the digraphs "ch" and "sh" make?	ch: /ch/ OR /tʃ/; sh: /sh/ OR /ʃ/
child	Tap out each sound in this word.	/ch/ /ɪld/
child	What is a welded exception?	A weld of letters in a closed syllable where the vowel says its name (long sound)
child	Name four welded exceptions.	Ex: olt, old, ost, ild, ind
chunk	Name four welded letter groups, and say their corresponding sounds.	Ex: ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk, am, an, all and the sounds they make
clenches	Name the digraph in this word and its sound.	ch: /ch/ OR /tʃ/
clenches	What sound does "es" make?	/ɪz/
clinch	Tap out each sound in this word.	/k/ /l/ /ɪ/ /n/ /ch/ OR /k/ /l/ /ɪ/ /n/ /ch/
clinch	What is a closed syllable?	A syllable with only one vowel that is followed by at least one consonant; the vowel makes its short sound.
cold	What is the opposite/antonym of this word?	Ex: hot
cold	Use "cold" in a sentence.	Student's own response
colt	Tap out each sound in this word.	/k/ /ɔlt/
colt	What is the meaning of this word?	A young male horse
cracks	Name the blend and digraph in this word.	Blend: cr; digraph: ck
cracks	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
craft	Replace the "c" with the letter "d", and say the new word.	draft
crunch	If the suffix "es" was added to this word, what would the new word be?	crunches
crust	How many blends are in this word?	Two
crust	What are they?	cr, st
depth	Is the vowel in this word long or short?	Short
depth	What helped you figure it out?	It is a closed syllable, so the vowel is short.
draft	Replace the vowel with "i", and say the new word.	drift
drenches	How does the suffix change the meaning of the word?	Shows third person singular or plural action.
dresses	Name the suffix in the word.	es

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dresses	How does it change the meaning of the base word?	Makes it plural or third person singular
dust	Tap out the sounds.	/d/ /ʊ/ /s/ /t/ OR /d/ /ʌ/ /s/ /t/
dust	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
dwell	Tap out each sound in this word.	/d/ /w/ /ɛ/ /l/ OR /d/ /w/ /ε/ /l/
dwell	When do you add a double letter to the end of a word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
find	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex: meaning: discover; opposite: lose
find	Use "find" in a sentence.	Student's own response
flesh	Name the blend and digraph in this word.	Blend: fl; digraph: sh
fling	What does this word mean?	To throw something forcefully
fling	Use it in a sentence.	Student's own response
fold	Tap out each sound in this word.	/f/ /ɔld/
frost	What is a blend?	Two or more consonants next to each other that make their own sounds
frost	What are the two blends in this word?	fr, st
frump	Replace the "fr" with the letters "th", and say the new word.	thump
frump	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
gang	Name five groups of letters that are welded sounds and the sounds they make.	Ex: ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk, am, an, all and the sounds they make
glad	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex: meaning: happy; opposite: sad
glad	Use "glad" in a sentence.	Student's own response
glands	What type of syllable is this word?	Closed
glands	Use "glands" in a sentence.	Student's own response
glass	Tap out each sound in this word.	/g/ /l/ /ă/ /s/ OR /g/ /l/ /æ/ /s/
glass	When do you add a double letter to a word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
grasp	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex: meaning: grip or hold; opposite: release
grasp	Use "grasp" in a sentence.	Student's own response
grind	What spelling rules will help you spell this word?	Use blends and welded team "ind"
grind	What is a welded sound?	Two or more letters stuck together so closely they count as one sound unit

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grind	Name two welded sounds.	Ex: ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk, am, an, all
grump	What does this word mean?	A grouchy or bad-tempered person
grump	Use "grump" in a sentence.	Student's own response
help	Tap out each sound.	/h/ /ě/ /l/ /p/ OR /h/ /ε/ /l/ /p/
help	Use "help" in a sentence.	Student's own response
host	Replace the first letter with "p", and say the new word.	post
host	What does the new word mean?	Ex: mail, vertical support, communication on social media
inches	What does the suffix "es" say?	/ɪz/
inches	How does the suffix change the meaning of the word?	Makes it plural or third person singular
jump	What is a blend?	Two or more consonants next to each other that make their own sounds
jump	What is the blend in this word?	mp
jump	Use "jump" in a sentence.	Student's own response
kind	Name two words that rhyme with "kind".	Ex: find, mind
kind	Use "kind" in a sentence.	Student's own response
king	What does this word mean?	A male ruler of a kingdom
king	Name two other people who might be in a king's family.	Ex: queen, prince
land	Tap out each sound in this word.	/l/ an/ /d/ OR /l/ /æn/ /d/
land	Name the welded team.	an
land	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
left	Replace the first letter with "th", and say the new word.	theft
left	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
loft	Replace the first letter with the letter "s", and say the new word.	Soft
lungs	What is a lung used for?	Breathing
lungs	How did the suffix "s" change the meaning of the word?	Made it plural
mild	What is a welded exception?	A welded sound in a closed syllable where the vowel says its name.
mild	Name four welded exceptions.	Ex: ost, old, olt, ild

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milk	If you had to be stranded for a year with only one kind of food to eat, where would you want to be stranded and with what food?	Student's own response
mind	What is a welded exception?	A welded sound in a closed syllable where the vowel says its name
mind	If you could have any superpower, what would it be, and why?	Student's own response
mold	Tap out each sound in this word.	/m/ /ōld/
mold	What five adjectives best describe you?	Student's own response
molt	What is a welded exception?	A welded sound in a closed syllable where the vowel says its name
molt	Name four welded exceptions.	Ex: ost, old, olt, ild
molt	Describe your perfect day in five words.	Student's own response
most	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex: meaning: greatest amount; opposite: least
most	Use "most" in a sentence.	Student's own response
plank	Tap out each sound in this word.	/p/ /l/ /ank/ OR /p/ /l/ /æŋk/
plank	Name four welded sounds.	Ex: ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk, an, am, all
plank	Describe a time when you felt proud.	Student's own response
plans	Tap out each sound in this word.	/p/ /l/ /an/ /z/ OR /p/ /l/ /æn/ /z/
plans	What two sounds does the suffix "s" make?	/s/, /z/
pluck	Name four animals or foods that start with the same letter as this word.	Ex: pineapple, pig, panda, peach
plums	Tap out each sound in this word.	/p/ /l/ /ŭ/ /m/ /z/ OR /p/ /l/ /ʌ/ /m/ /z/
plums	Name the blend in the base word.	pl
post	How many sounds are in this word, and what are they?	2 sounds:/p/ /ōst/
presses	What does the suffix "es" say?	/ɪz/
presses	When do you add a double letter to a word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
prompt	Tap out the sounds in this word, and name the blends.	/p/ /r/ /ō/ /m/ /p/ /t/ OR /p/ /r/ /ɒ/ /m/ /p/ /t/; blends: pr, mpt
prompt	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
punch	Name the digraph in this word.	ch
punch	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response

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quest	Why is there a "u" beside the "q"?	In English, "q" is almost always followed by "u" to represent /kw/.
ranches	Name three words that have the same suffix as this word.	Ex: benches, punches, lunches
ring	Replace the first letter with the two-letter blend "cl", and say the new word.	cling
ring	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
scalp	Identify the type of syllable.	Closed
scalp	Use "scalp" in a sentence.	Student's own response
scold	Replace the first two letters with the letter "f", and say the new word.	fold
scrubs	Tap out the sounds in this word.	/s/ /k/ /r/ /ŭ/ /b/ /z/ OR /s/ /k/ /r/ /ʌ/ /b/ /z/
scrubs	What sound does the suffix make?	/z/
scrubs	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
scruffs	Name the sounds that make up this word.	/s/ /k/ /r/ /ŭ/ /f/ /s/ OR /s/ /k/ /r/ /ʌ/ /f/ /s/
sink	What does this word mean?	To go down below the surface of something; a basin with a water supply and drain
sink	Use "sink" in a sentence.	Student's own response
skunks	Replace the first two letters with the letter "p", and say the new word.	punks
slang	What is a digraph?	Two letters that make one sound
slang	What sounds do "ch" and "sh" make?	ch: /ch/ OR /tʃ/; sh: /sh/ OR /ʃ/
sling	What is the meaning of this word?	A band used to support or lift something
sling	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
smells	Name the most common double letters at the end of a single-syllable word.	f, l, s
snacks	Use the singular and plural forms for this word in one sentence.	Student's own response
snub	What does this word mean?	To ignore or reject someone
snub	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
sold	Name three words that end with "old".	Ex: told, fold, hold
sold	Pick one of those words to use in a sentence.	Student's own response
songs	What can the suffix "s" say?	/s/ or /z/
songs	What does this word mean?	Musical pieces
songs	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response

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spank	Name three words that rhyme with this word.	Ex: bank, tank, thank
splashes	What does the suffix "es" say?	/ɪz/
splashes	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
splint	Replace the three-letter blend with "t", and say the new word.	tint
splint	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
spritz	Replace the last two letters with "n-g", and say the new word.	spring
staff	When do you add a double letter at the end of a single-syllable word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
stand	Replace the last two letters with the letters "m-p", and say the new word.	stamp
stench	Name the three double letters most often used at the end of single-syllable words.	f, l, s
sting	What is a welded exception?	A group of welded letters in a closed syllable where the vowel says its name
sting	Name four welded exceptions.	Ex: olt, old, ild, ost
stomp	Replace the vowel "o" with "u", and say the new word.	stump
stomp	Name four digraphs.	Ex: ch, sh, th, wh
strings	How does the suffix change the meaning of the base word?	Makes it plural or shows present tense
strings	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
strips	Name three words ending with "ang" and three ending with "ank".	Ex: bang, hang, sang; bank, tank, thank
strips	Pick one of those words to use in a sentence.	Student's own response
strong	What is a welded sound?	A chunk of letters said together as one unit
strong	Name four groups of welded letters and their corresponding sounds.	Ex: ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk, an, am, all, and their sounds
struck	Name the meaning of this word.	Hit or impacted
struck	Use it in a sentence.	Student's own response
struts	What is the base word?	strut
struts	Replace the last letter in the base word with the digraph "ck", and say the new word.	struck(s)
stumps	Name the suffix in this word.	s

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stumps	How does the suffix change the meaning of the word?	Makes it plural or third person singular
swift	What is the opposite of this word?	Ex: slow
swift	Use "swift" in a sentence.	Student's own response
tank	How many taps would this word get?	2: /t/ /ank/
tank	Replace the first letter with "b", and say the new word.	bank
tempt	Tap out each sound.	/t/ /ě/ /m/ /p/ /t/ OR /t/, /ɛ/, /m/, /p/, /t/
tempt	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
tenth	What is a digraph?	Two letters that make one sound
tenth	What sounds do the digraphs "ch" and "sh" make?	ch: /ch/ OR /tʃ/; sh: /sh/ OR /ʃ/
thing	Name three words that end with "th".	Ex: with, math, path
thing	Pick one of those words to use in a sentence.	Student's own response
think	Tap out the sounds in this word.	/th/ /ɪnk/ OR /th/ /ɪŋk/
think	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
thrift	Tap out the sounds in this word.	/th/ /r/ /ɪ/ /f/ /t/ OR /th/ /r/ /ɪ/ /f/ /t/
thrift	Name the digraph blend in this word.	thr
thrills	Why does this word have a double letter?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words
thrills	What does this word mean?	Ex: excites or gives strong emotion
thrills	Use it in a sentence.	Student's own response
told	What is a welded exception?	A group of welded letters in a closed syllable where the vowel says its name
told	Name four welded exceptions.	Ex: old, ost, olt, ild
truck	Replace the two-letter blend with "l", and say the new word.	luck
truck	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
trunk	Name three words that end with "unk".	Ex: bunk, sunk, chunk
trunk	Pick one of those words to use in a sentence.	Student's own response
volt	What is a welded sound?	A group of letters that stick together to make one sound chunk
volt	Name four groups of welded letters and their corresponding sounds.	Ex: ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk, all, an, am, and their sounds

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wept	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex: meaning: cried; opposite: laughed
wept	Use "wept" in a sentence.	Student's own response
width	Name the digraph in this word and its sound.	th: /th/ OR /θ/
width	If you could have any superpower, what would it be, and why?	Student's own response
wild	Tap out each sound in this word.	/w/ /ɪld/
wild	What three adjectives best describe you?	Student's own response