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# Introduction

Sight words are the most frequently used words in the English language. There are two reasons why instantly recognizing them is essential for beginning readers. First, sight words comprise 50–80% of what children read every day. Knowing these words provides a beginning reader with a strong base for fluency and understanding. Second, many of the sight words do not follow phonetic rules so the words cannot be “sounded out.” They must be recognized by “sight.”

To learn sight words, beginning readers need lots of repetition and practice that includes reading, writing, and saying the words. *Sight Word Puzzles and Activities* provides the teacher or parent with diverse, creative, and fun puzzles and activities that will have students reading and writing the most common sight words.

This resource is organized around a total of 165 sight words (the first eight Dolch sight word lists as well as the color and number words) divided into 10 chapters, one for each list. Words underlined in some of the activities indicate sight words. Every chapter begins with flash cards of the list of words in that chapter. Six or seven different kinds of puzzles and activities follow that are designed to encourage and engage students in reading and writing the words. The activities get progressively harder within each chapter and between chapters.

To ensure student success, go over the instructions each time you introduce a new type of activity and do a sample together. After doing similar activities a few times, students should be able to do them independently.

Most of the activities in this book can be completed independently. However, for some purposes it may be more appropriate for students to work with a partner or in a small group. Sharing answers with a partner requires the student to read the words aloud, which furthers student mastery.

A list of 165 Dolch sight words (page 6) is provided as a reference tool for you. It can be sent home for students to use to practice their sight words or it can be displayed in the classroom.

Here is a brief overview of the components in this resource and how to use them with your class.

## **Flash Cards**

Reproduce flash cards at the beginning of each chapter to help students memorize words. Students can use the cards in a variety of ways, such as for a game of concentration or bingo. Invite students to store their flash cards in an envelope or a resealable plastic bag.



# Word List

(165 Dolch Sight Words)

a	do	in	or	there
about	does	into	orange	they
after	don't	is	out	think
again	down	it	over	this
all	drink	its	pink	three
always	eat	jump	play	to
am	eight	just	pretty	today
an	every	keep	purple	too
and	first	know	put	try
any	five	let	ran	two
are	fly	like	red	up
around	for	little	ride	very
as	four	long	right	walk
ask	from	look	round	want
at	get	make	said	was
away	give	may	saw	we
be	go	me	see	well
been	goes	much	seven	went
before	going	must	she	were
big	good	my	six	what
black	got	myself	sleep	when
blue	green	never	so	where
bring	had	new	some	white
brown	have	nine	start	who
but	he	no	stop	will
by	help	not	take	with
call	her	now	tell	work
came	here	of	ten	would
can	him	off	that	write
cold	his	old	the	yellow
come	how	on	their	yes
could	I	once	them	you
did	if	one	then	your

# Color Words Flash Cards

<b>black</b>	<b>blue</b>
<b>brown</b>	<b>green</b>
<b>orange</b>	<b>pink</b>
<b>purple</b>	<b>red</b>
<b>white</b>	<b>yellow</b>

# Word Match

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

You will find each word—except one—listed three times. Connect the dots under the same words to make a triangle. Say each word each time you find it.

red pink pink orange  
orange  
orange  
red  
white pink yellow  
white yellow  
white yellow  
black purple brown  
black blue blue brown  
black blue green green brown  
blue green brown  
green

Which word does not have partners? \_\_\_\_\_

Use three different colored markers and “rainbow write” two of the words.

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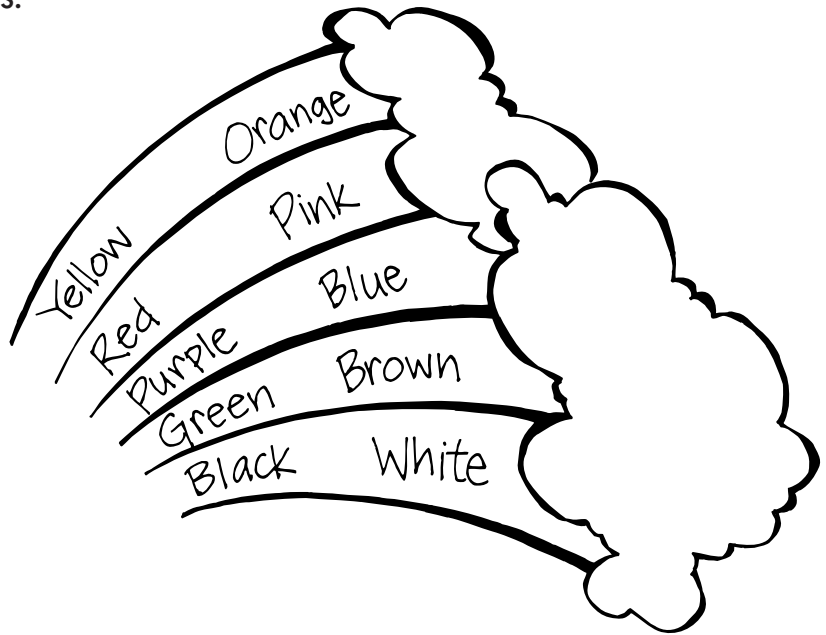
# Word Search

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Read the color words in the word box. Find the color words in the word search and circle them. All words go across.

## Word Box

yellow	purple
pink	brown
green	blue
red	white
black	orange



## Word Search

w	h	i	t	e	y	e	l	l	o	w
p	u	r	p	l	e	g	r	e	e	n
v	b	r	o	w	n	b	l	a	c	k
g	b	r	e	d	g	n	b	l	u	e
o	r	a	n	g	e	b	p	i	n	k

Write a sentence using one of the words in the word box.

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