



Help Your Child Make Words by Blending Sounds

Now that your child recognizes both upper and lower-case letters and the sound that each letter makes, we can **blend** some of those sounds to make words.

Tapping the sounds helps! Have your child say each sound of a word while tapping a finger to the thumb.

Example:

For the word is **mad**, have your child say the sound /**m**/ while touching index finger to thumb; then say the sound /**ă**/ while touching middle finger to thumb; then say the sound /**d**/ while touching finger to thumb; and then finally say the entire word “**mad**.”

On Monday and Tuesday, have your child find the letters to make three words using the letters you have cut up and stored in a baggie.

On the next page you will write a word from the following list (without saying it). Have your child find the cut up letters and put them onto the blank squares.

After the letters are placed to form the word, say, “**Now let’s tap out to see what word you made!**” Sound tap and read the word together.

Week 1

bug	hip	ten
hot	rag	gum

Week 2

nut	leg	pat
jog	kit	fun

Week 3

beg	met	pet
sob	dot	tub

Week 4

cup	tax	sun
hug	mix	rip

Week 5

bib	cub	fit
dig	cab	pig

Week 6

zap	rub	pal
gas	him	tug