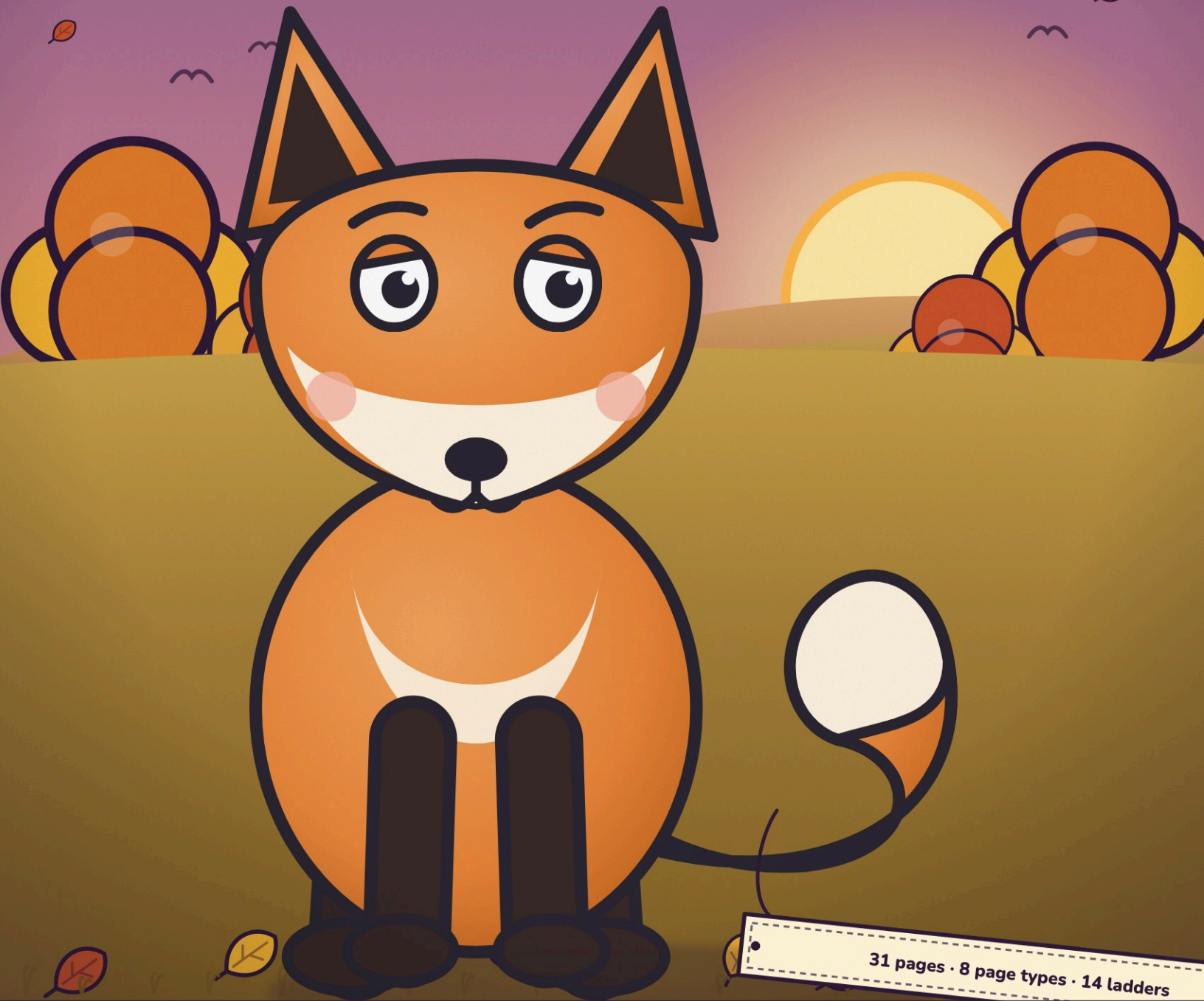


Beginning Blends



CHANGE THE BLEND



31 pages • 8 page types • 14 ladders

Kindergarten • 1st • 2nd Grade • Special Ed

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THREE STEPS

1 Read one together

Page 6 is the one student page with the rule on it: each step up the ladder changes the beginning blend, two letters, and nothing else. Read the two ladders aloud with the child, then start with Read the Ladder.

2 Pick a page type

Eight page types, easiest to hardest; the chart says which page for which child. Every ladder on every student page is different: no practice ladder repeats across the student pages.

3 Check it, record it, send it home

The answer keys are pages 21 and 22. Date each page on the tracker (page 23), roll the group up on page 24, and send the home page (26). A filled example is on page 27.

WHICH PAGE, WHEN

WHEN...	USE...
Meeting blend ladders	Helper, page 6 · Read the Ladder, pages 7, 8
Ready to write one blend	Climb with a Blend Clue, pages 9, 10
Ready to build a ladder (cutting)	Build the Ladder, pages 11, 12
Ready to write whole words	Write the Rungs, pages 13, 14
Ready to climb without circles	Climb to the Top, pages 15, 16 · Fix the Ladder, pages 17, 18
Ready to make a ladder	My Own Ladder, pages 19, 20
Writing a progress note or a note home	Team note, page 25 · phrase bank, page 28

Everything inside (31 pages)

- **15 student pages** in 8 page types: Ladder Helper, Read the Ladder, Climb with a Blend Clue, Build the Ladder, Write the Rungs, Climb to the Top, Fix the Ladder and My Own Ladder
- **14 different ladders** printed on the student pages, searched in code from a 59-word bank in 13 rime families
- **19 real two-letter blends** used across the pack: bl, br, cl, cr, dr, fl, fr, gr, pl, pr, sk, sl, sm, sn, sp, st, sw, tr, tw
- **10 cut-and-glue pieces:** five a page on two pages, edge to edge in a 2 by 3 block
- **1 rules page, 2 answer keys, 1 tracker, 1 class grid**
- **1 team note, 1 home page, 1 filled example, 1 phrase bank**
- **1 binder cover, 6 divider tabs** and a spine label

What makes it different

Every page is a ladder: each rung is a real word and each step changes the beginning blend, so a child reads and writes many words that rhyme and are not the same. No page needs a picture to be named. Page 5 says which blends are in this pack and which are left out, and leaves a line for your program's own wording.





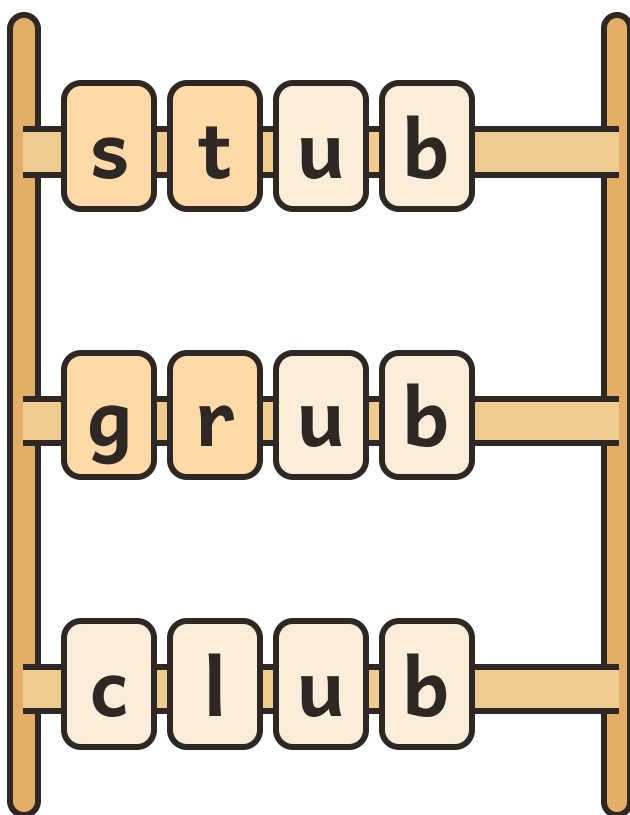
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Date _____



Read the words. The blend is the part that changes.

Change the blend

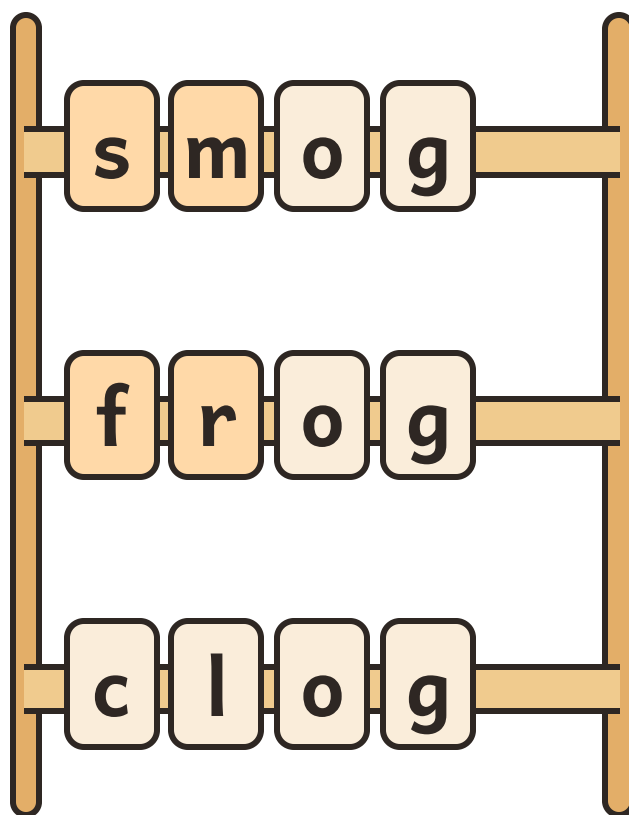


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club, grub, stub

The colored boxes are the blend: the first two letters.

Change the blend



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clog, frog, smog

Everything after the blend stays exactly the same.

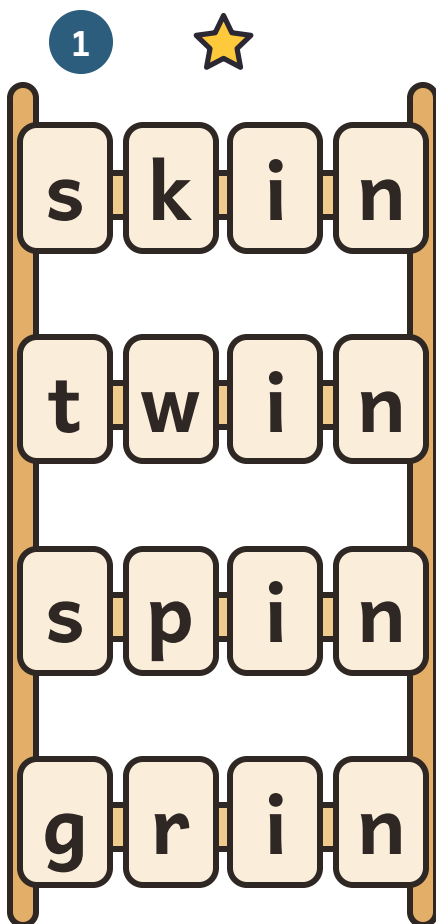


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Read up the ladder. Circle the blend that is new.



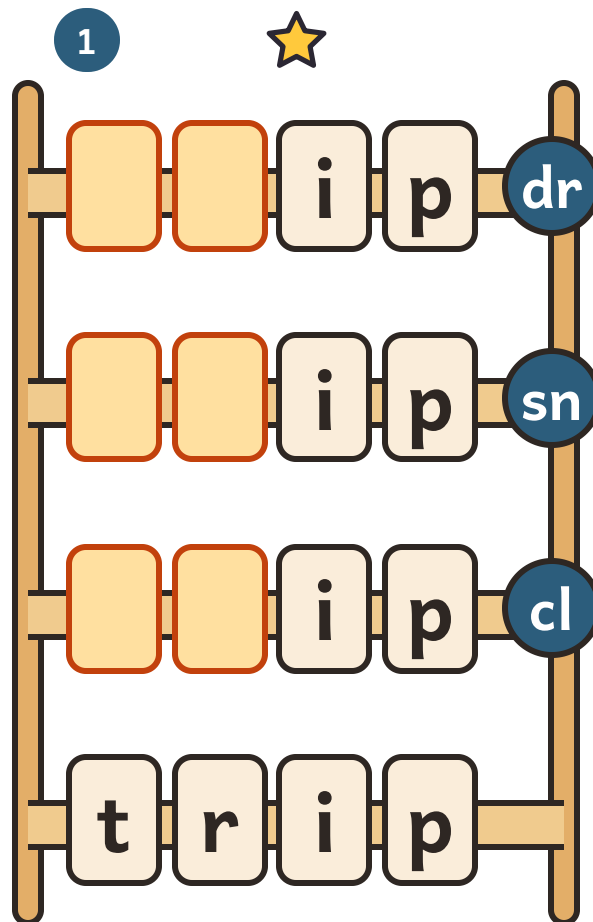


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Write the circle blend in the boxes.



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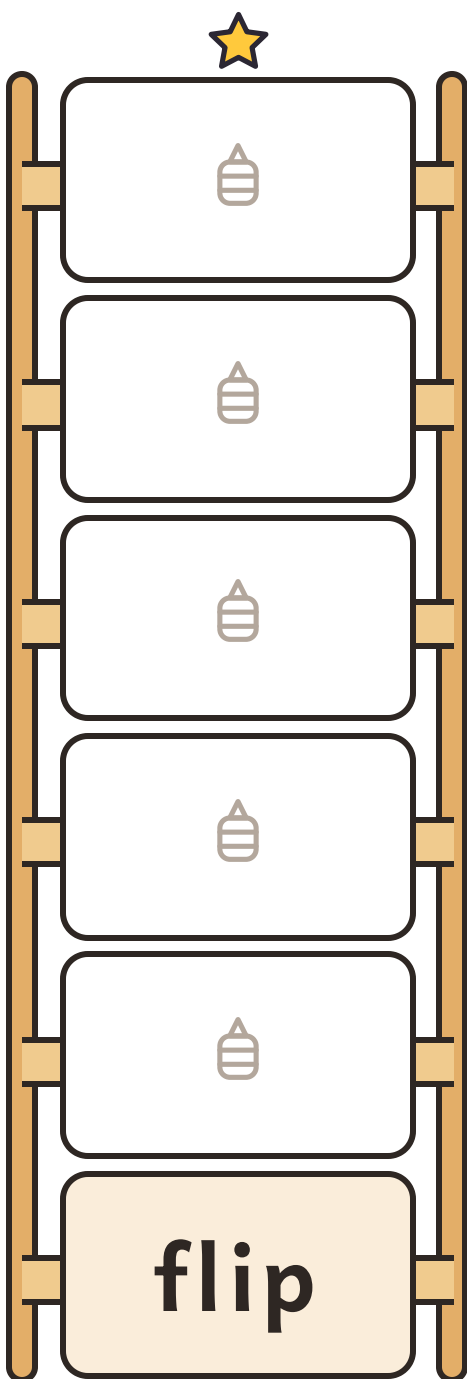


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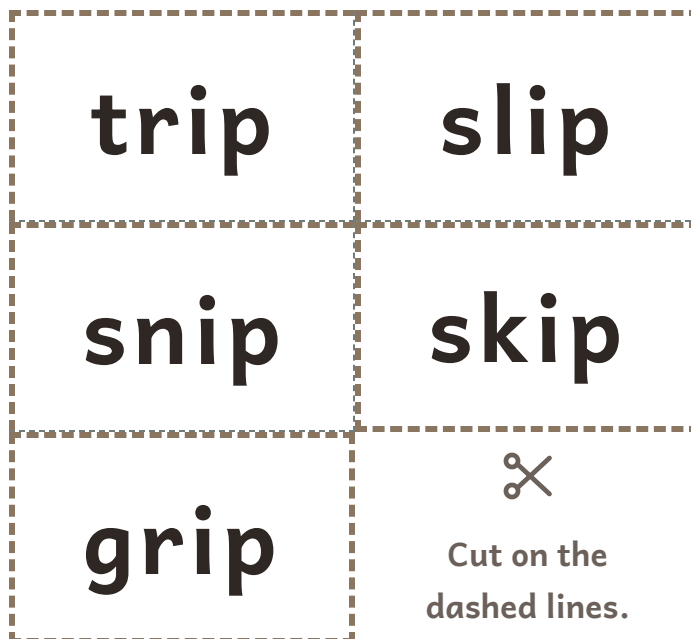
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Cut out the words. Glue them up the ladder in ABC order.



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Look

f l i p → g r i p
s n i p → t r i p

Same ending every time. Only the
blend changes.



Read your ladder up. The
words are in ABC order.

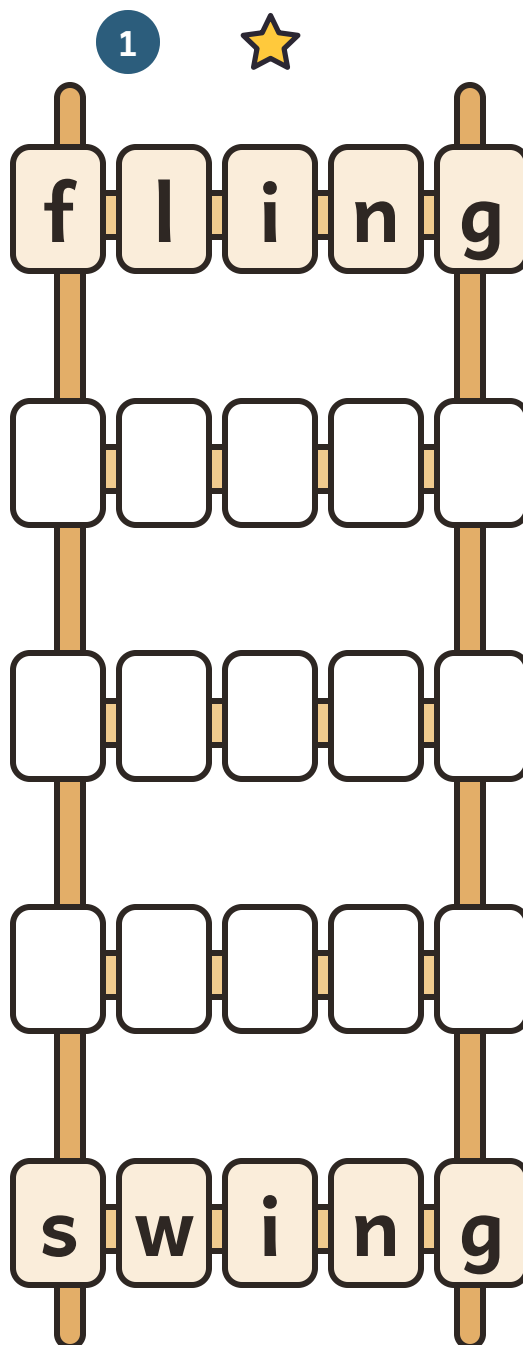


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Write words to climb to the top. Change the blend each time.



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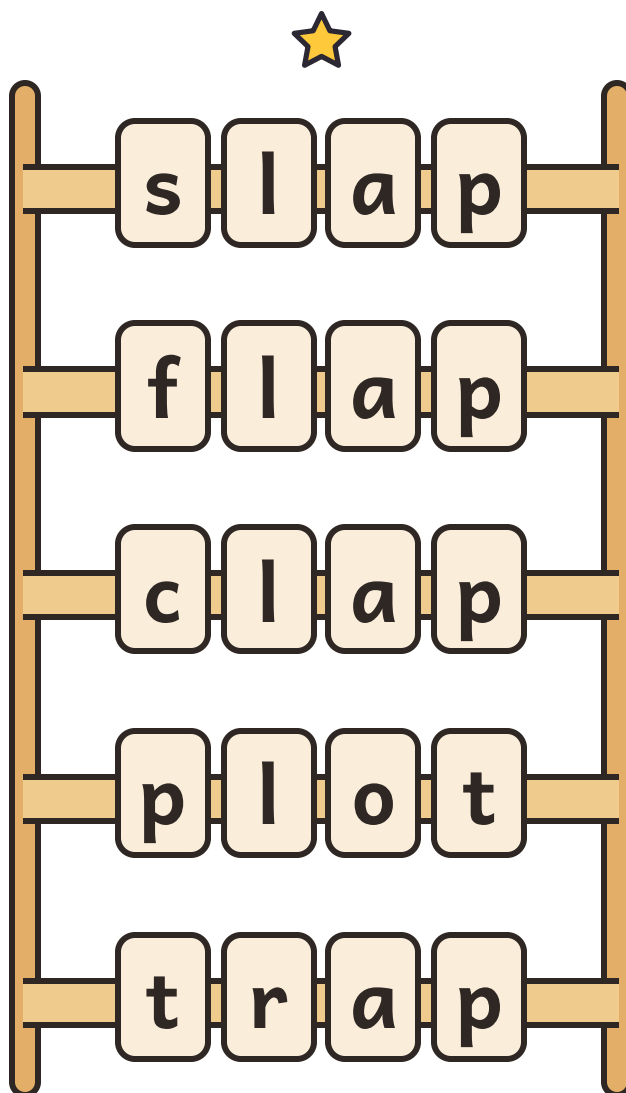


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Date _____



One rung is wrong. Circle it. Write a word that fits.



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Write the right word:



STUDENT

TEACHER

MONTH

PAGE TYPE AND SET	PG	DATE	RIGHT	NOTES
Read the Ladder · Set A (of 6)	7			
Read the Ladder · Set B (of 6)	8			
Climb with a Blend Clue · Set A (of 3)	9			
Climb with a Blend Clue · Set B (of 3)	10			
Build the Ladder · Set A (of 5)	11			
Build the Ladder · Set B (of 5)	12			
Write the Rungs · Set A (of 3)	13			
Write the Rungs · Set B (of 3)	14			
Climb to the Top · Set A (of 3)	15			
Climb to the Top · Set B (of 3)	16			
Fix the Ladder · Set A (of 1)	17			
Fix the Ladder · Set B (of 1)	18			
My Own Ladder · Set A (of 6)	19			
My Own Ladder · Set B (of 6)	20			

How to fill this in

Date each page the day it is finished, and write how many of its items the child got right with no prompt; the number after “of” is what the page holds. A blank means not tried yet, never wrong. Answer keys: pages 21 and 22. Filled example: page 27.

THIS MONTH WE ARE WORKING ON





Priya S. is invented; nothing on this page describes a real student. The blank tracker is on page 23.

STUDENT

TEACHER

MONTH

Priya S. (an invented student)

Mr. Okafor (invented)

November

PAGE TYPE AND SET	PG	DATE	RIGHT	NOTES
Read the Ladder · Set A (of 6)	7	11/3	6 of 6	–
Read the Ladder · Set B (of 6)	8	11/5	5 of 6	Circled only one letter of the blend once
Climb with a Blend Clue · Set A (of 3)	9	11/10	3 of 3	–
Climb with a Blend Clue · Set B (of 3)	10	–	–	–
Build the Ladder · Set A (of 5)	11	11/17	3 of 5	Two cards swapped
Build the Ladder · Set B (of 5)	12	–	–	–
Write the Rungs · Set A (of 3)	13	11/19	2 of 3	One rung left blank
Write the Rungs · Set B (of 3)	14	–	–	–
Climb to the Top · Set A (of 3)	15	–	–	–
Climb to the Top · Set B (of 3)	16	–	–	–
Fix the Ladder · Set A (of 1)	17	–	–	–
Fix the Ladder · Set B (of 1)	18	–	–	–
My Own Ladder · Set A (of 6)	19	–	–	–
My Own Ladder · Set B (of 6)	20	–	–	–

How to read it

Priya S. has finished **2 of 2** Read the Ladder pages (**11 of 12** items right), **1 of 2** Climb with a Blend Clue pages (**3 of 3**), **1 of 2** Build the Ladder pages (**3 of 5**) and **1 of 2** Write the Rungs pages (**2 of 3**). The other page types are not started. Every number is read off the table above.

The family note this tracker would produce

“This month Priya S. circled the new blend on 11 of 12 rungs and wrote the new blend on 3 of 3. On her first Build the Ladder page she glued 3 of 5 cards in the right place; two were swapped. She is now writing whole words: 2 of 3 on Write the Rungs, Set A.” — every fact in it is a row of the table above.





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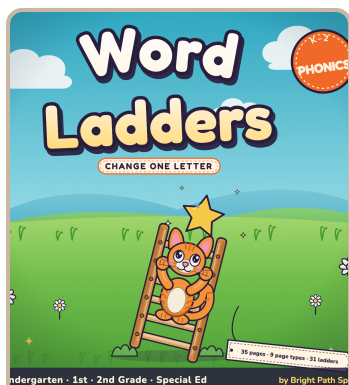
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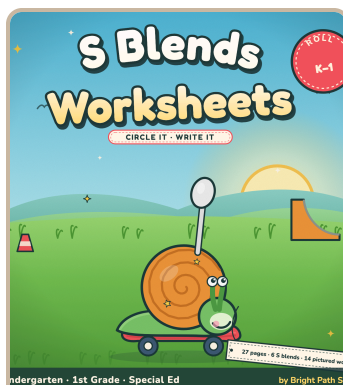
WHAT'S NEXT FROM THIS STORE

The original one-letter ladder, a single blend family at a time, a blend sort at three levels, and the two-letter sound that is not a blend.



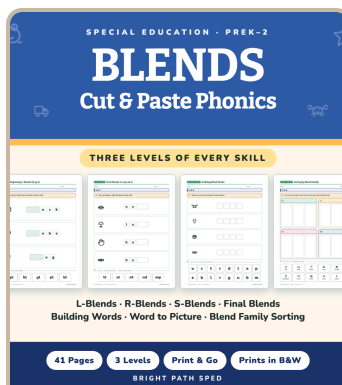
Word Ladders CVC and CVCe Worksheets

The original ladder: one plain letter (or the magic e) changes each step.



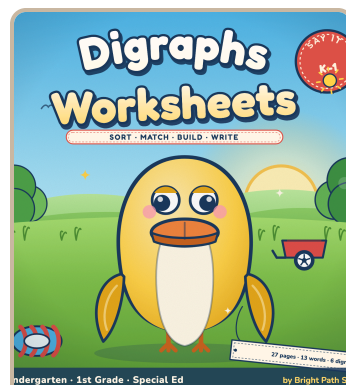
Beginning S Blends Worksheets

One blend family at a time, circle it and write it.



Blends Cut and Paste, 3 Levels

Sort beginning blends at three levels of support.



Digraphs Worksheets: Sort, Match, Build, Write, Cut and Glue

The two-letter sound that is NOT a blend: sh, ch, th, wh.

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