



Fast Match



Objective

The student will gain speed and accuracy in reading words.



Materials

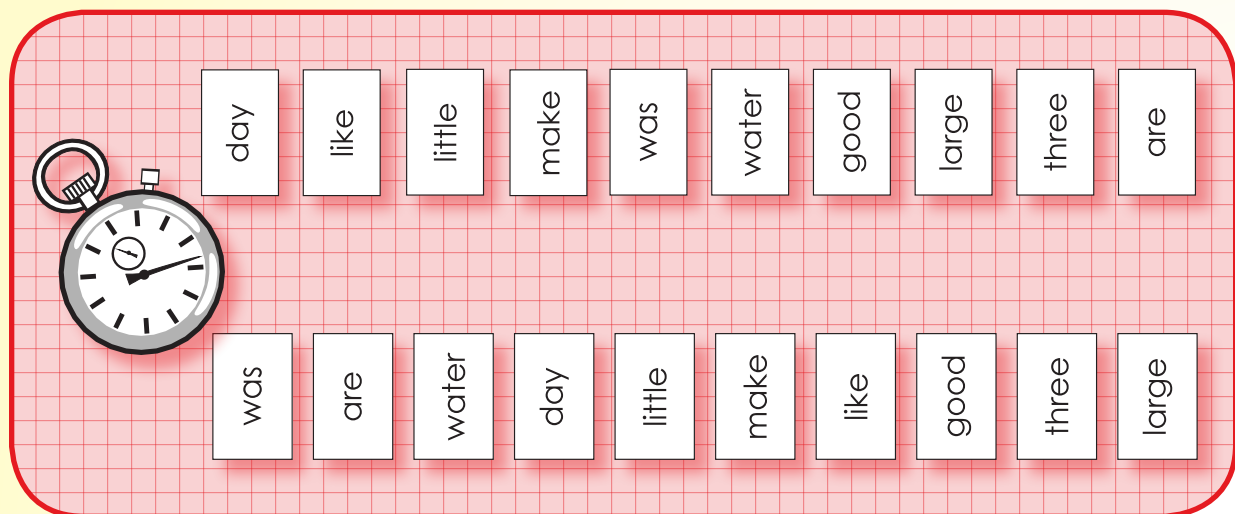
- ▶ High frequency word cards (Activity Master P.HFWC.001 - P.HFWC.050 in Phonics)
Choose 10-15 target words.
Copy two sets.
- ▶ Time record student sheet (Activity Master F.003.SS)
- ▶ Timer (e.g., digital)
- ▶ Pencils



Activity

Students read and match words in a timed card game.

1. Provide each student with a set of word cards. Place the timer at the center. Provide the students with one time record.
2. Working in pairs, students place their word cards face up in a row and start the timer.
3. Student one looks at the cards, says a word (e.g., “water”), and student two quickly finds the matching word in his row.
4. If a match is made, student one picks up both cards, reads them (i.e., “water, water”), and places the matching cards in a shared stack. If a match is not made, student one reads another word.
5. Reverse roles and continue until all cards are matched. Stop the timer and record the time on the student sheet.
6. Repeat the activity attempting to increase speed and accuracy.
7. Continue until student sheet is complete.
8. Teacher evaluation



Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Use other high frequency words (Activity Master P.HFWC.001-P.HFWC.050 in Phonics).