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Matching Games

Print out these word sheets, cut along the dotted lines (careful, now!) and play some great matching games. All the matching words are in pairs, except for the short vowel words, which are in trios.

For a simpler game, lay all the words from one sheet face up on a table, and then match the words that go together. Once you find a pair (or trio) that match, remove the words from the pile. Help with the reading as needed.

For more of a challenge, play "Concentration" (the memory game). Turn over one word, and then try to turn over its partner (or two partners, in the short vowels game). If you're right, take them off. If you're wrong, then turn all the words face down again, and keep trying!

Make sure to remember what kind of matches you're looking for in each game.

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Easier Rhymes

ring

thing

map

chap

best

west

fox

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red

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life

wife

met

wet

big

pig



Harder Rhymes

king

thing

flew

glue

mouse

house

light

bite

laugh

half

goal

pole

socks

box

mix

sticks



Synonyms

two

pair

chicken

hen

dad

father

small

tiny

wash

clean

baby

cub

eat

dine

hope

wish



Easier Opposites

wet

dry

yes

no

happy

sad

open

shut

big

small

heavy

light

left

right

shiny

dull



Harder Opposites

laugh

cry

deep

shallow

will

won't

find

lose

can

cannot

sharp

blunt

short

tall

enter

exit



Short Vowel Trios

cat

bag

sad

let

ten

egg

will

fit

ink

jug

pup

cut

lot

dog

odd



Initial Letters

big

bell

go

grow

cat

clog

hat

help

dog

door

ten

tin

fish

find

soap

stamp



Categories

green

yellow

fish

whale

lion

tiger

cookie

pie

stone

brick

soap

towel

car

bus

nurse

doctor