Phonics Centers Pack

Lesson 3: Not Sam and Not Pam (-am)

Print on card stock and laminate. Cut along the dashed lines.
Every activity uses this lesson's words.

In this pack:

Word Family Houses

Sort the word cards into the house with the matching ending.

Clip the Word

Look at the picture. Clip a clothespin on the word that matches. Flip the card or use the answer key to check.

Roll and Read

Roll a die. Read a word in that column. Cover it with a counter. Take turns and see who covers the most words.

Word and Picture Puzzles

Match each picture piece to its word piece. The cut edges only fit the right pair.

Spin and Cover

Spin the spinner (paper clip and pencil). Read the word and cover it on your board. First to cover every word wins.

Phonics Four in a Row

Take turns. Read a word and cover it with your color of counter. Get four counters in a row to win.

Phonics Dominoes

Lay the dominoes in a loop. A picture must touch its word. The last domino goes back to the first.

Change One Sound

Start with the first word. Change the first sound to the letter in the circle and read the new word. Write each new word on the recording mat.

Sound Box Challenge

Say the picture word slowly. Write one sound in each box, then write the whole word on the line.

Read, Build, Write

Read the word. Build it with the letter tiles. Write it on the line. Cut out the tiles on the second page.

Missing Middle Sound

Look at the picture and say the word. Clip the clothespin on the vowel that is missing from the middle.

Word Hunt

Hide the word cards around the room. Hunt for a card, read it, and place it under the matching picture on the mat.

Word Family Wheels

Cut out the cover and the wheel. Fasten the centers together with a brass fastener. Turn the wheel to read each word.

Phonics Memory Match

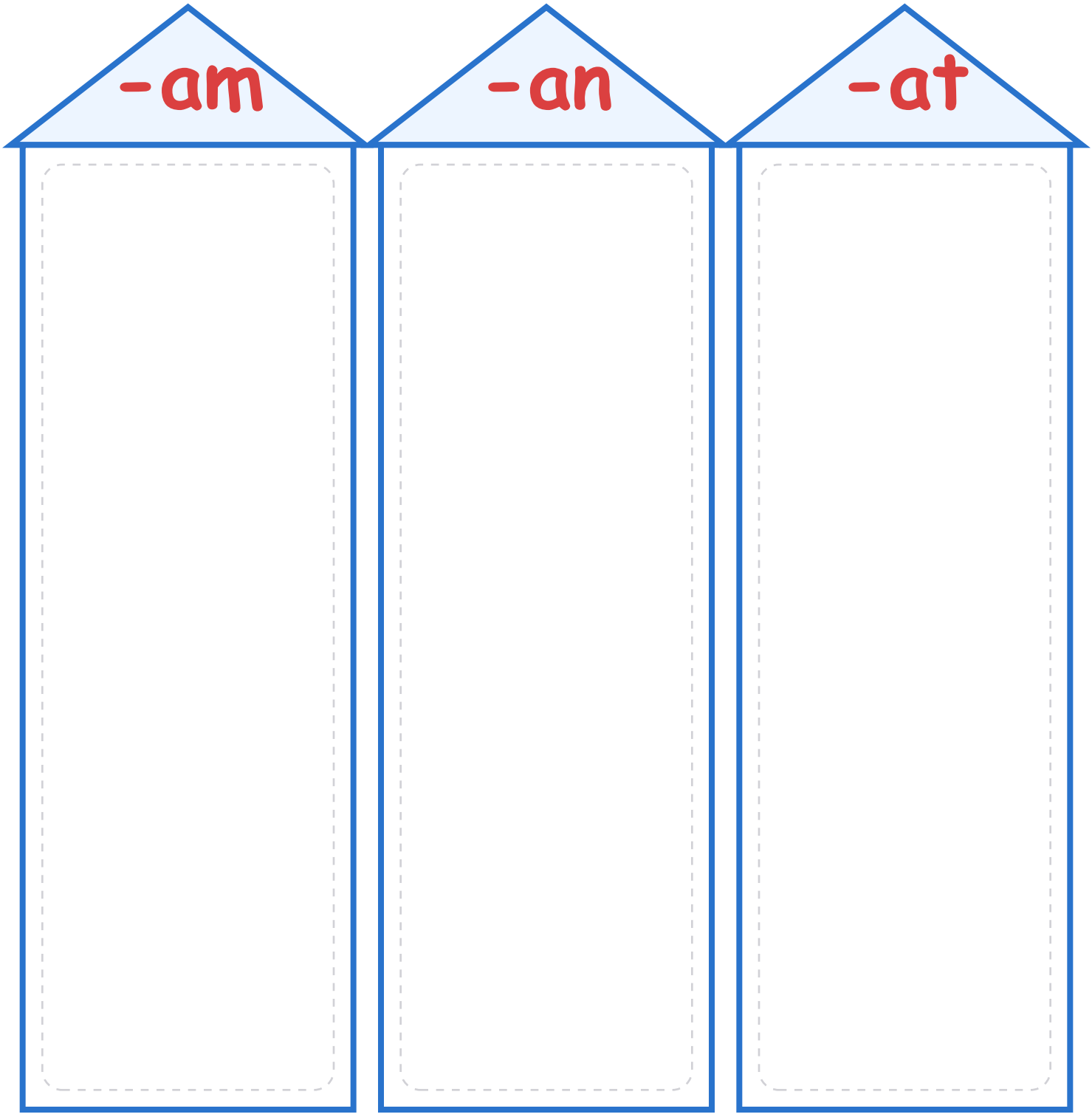
Lay all the cards face down. Turn over two cards. If a picture matches its word, keep the pair.

Also for this lesson on the lesson page: story and homework, flashcards, word building picture cards, Write the Room, bingo and sight word games.

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Word Family Houses: Sorting Mat

Read each word card. Put it in the house where it lives. Cut out the cards on the next page.



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Word Family Houses: Word Cards

Cut out the cards. Sort them onto the houses by their ending.



ham



jam



yam



can



man



pan



van



bat



cat



hat



mat



rat

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Clip the Word

Cut out the cards. Look at the picture. Clip a clothespin on the word that matches it.



am

ham

jam



jam

yam

ham



yam

am

ham

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Clip the Word: Answer Key

The correct word for each picture.



ham



jam



yam

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Roll and Read

Roll a die. Read any word in that column and cover it with a counter. Take turns.



am	yam	jam	ham	am	yam
ham	jam	am	yam	jam	ham
yam	jam	ham	am	jam	ham
am	yam	ham	yam	jam	am
jam	am	ham	yam	ham	jam
am	yam	am	jam	ham	yam

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Word and Picture Puzzles

Cut each card along the zigzag line. Mix the pieces. Match every picture to its word.



ham



jam

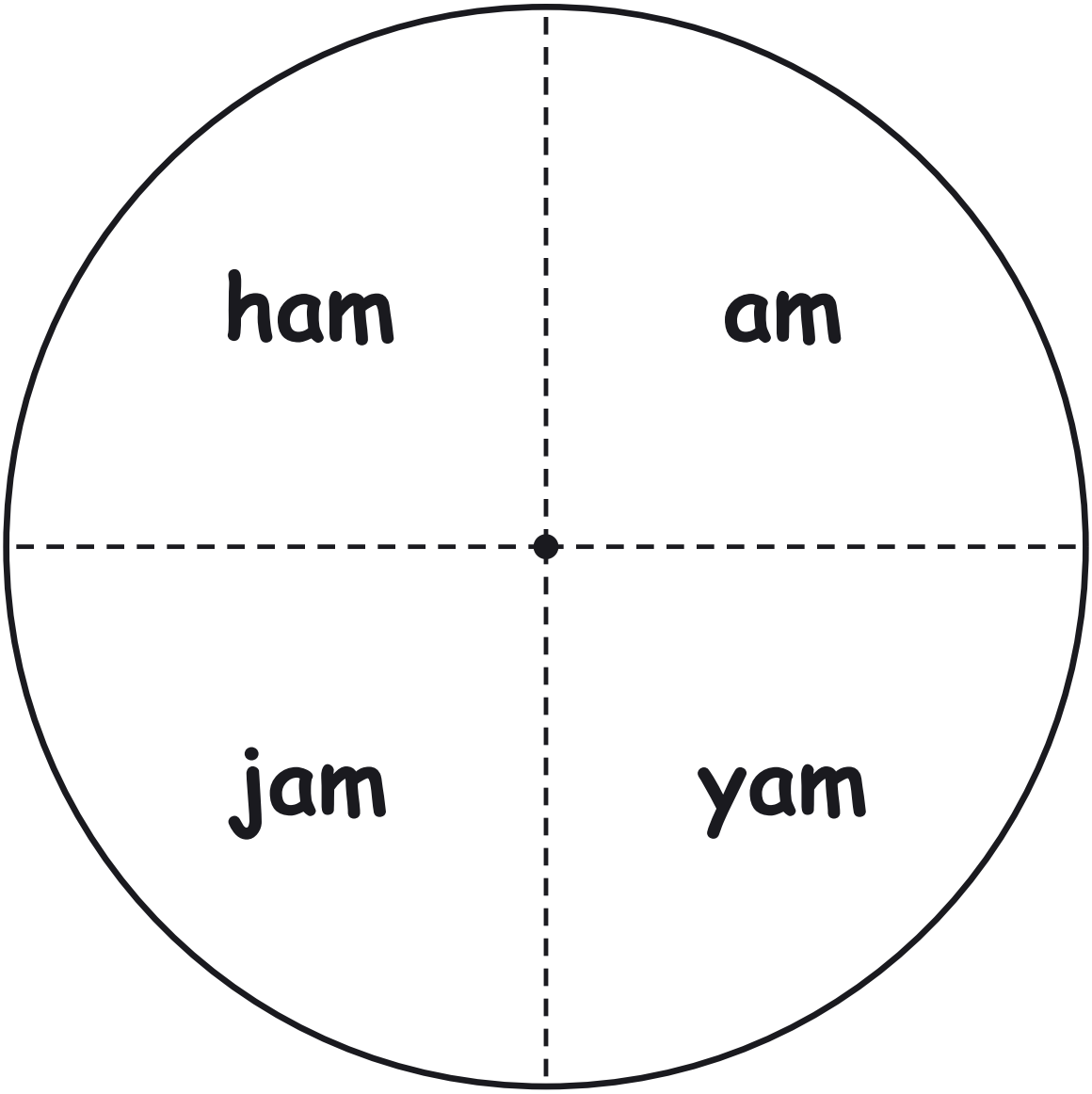


yam

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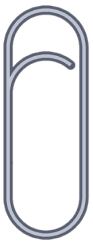
Spin and Cover: Spinner

Hold a pencil in the center with a paper clip around it and spin the clip.





Put the pencil point on the dot.
Flick the paper clip and let it spin!



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Spin and Cover: Game Boards

Each player takes a board. Spin, read the word, cover it with a counter.

yam	am	ham	jam
am	ham	jam	yam
jam	am	ham	yam

am	ham	jam	yam
ham	am	jam	yam
ham	jam	am	yam

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Spin and Cover: Game Boards

Each player takes a board. Spin, read the word, cover it with a counter.

jam	yam	ham	am
ham	jam	yam	am
ham	jam	yam	am

jam	ham	yam	am
yam	am	ham	jam
yam	ham	am	jam

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Phonics Four in a Row

Two players, two colors of counters. Read a word, cover it, and make four in a row (across, down or corner to corner).

ham	yam	am	jam	ham
jam	yam	am	ham	am
yam	jam	am	yam	jam
ham	yam	am	jam	ham
am	yam	ham	jam	yam

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Phonics Four in a Row

Two players, two colors of counters. Read a word, cover it, and make four in a row (across, down or corner to corner).

ham	jam	am	yam	am
ham	jam	yam	am	ham
jam	yam	jam	ham	am
yam	am	ham	jam	yam
am	yam	ham	jam	yam

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Phonics Dominoes

Cut out the dominoes. Mix them up. Join picture to word until the loop is complete.



jam



yam



ham

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Change One Sound: Word Chains

Cut out the strips. Read the first word. Change the first sound to the letter in each circle. Read the new word aloud.

ham → (j) → (y)

jam → (y) → (h)

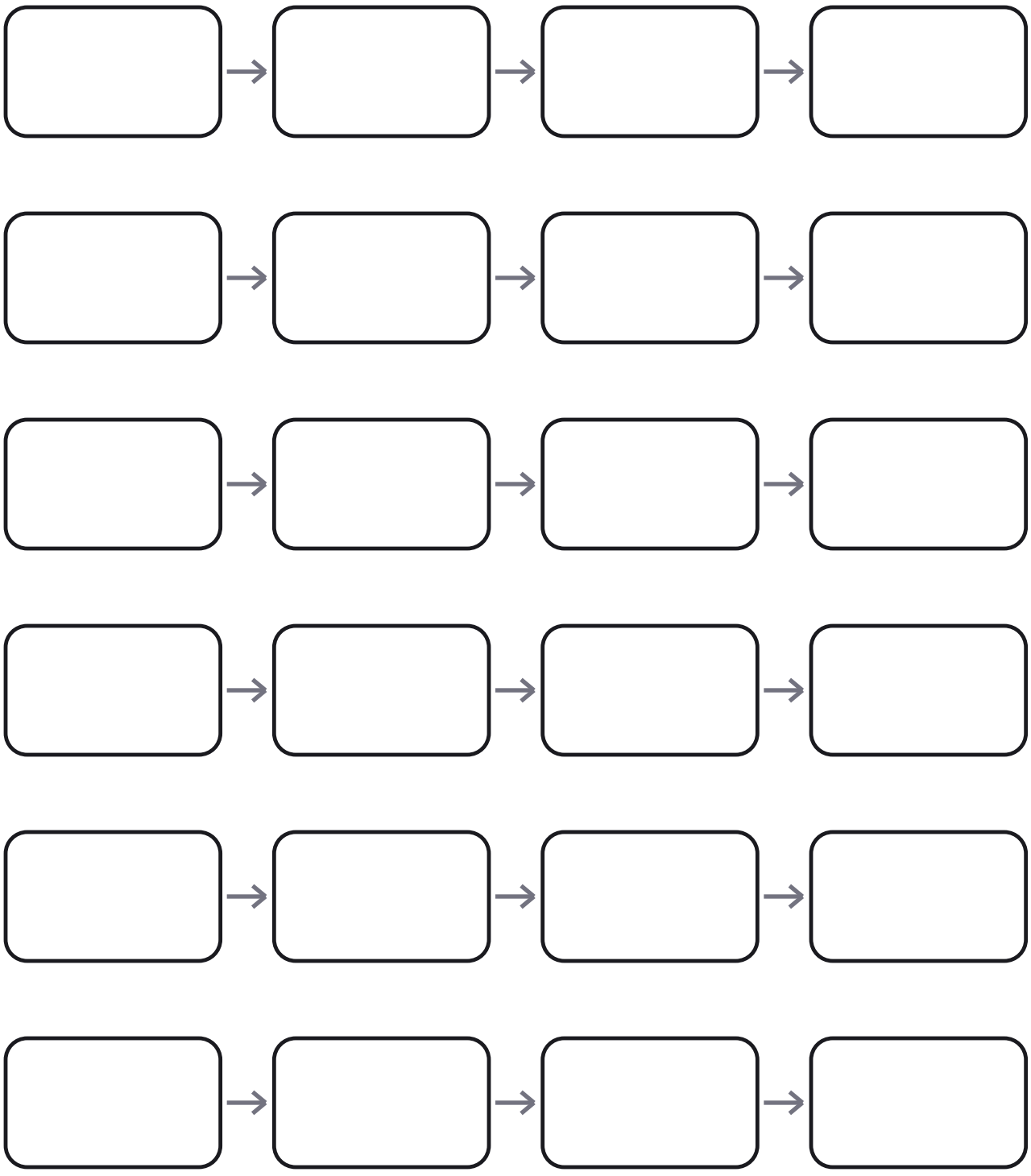
yam → (h) → (j)

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Change One Sound: Recording Mat

Write the first word, then change one sound each time and write the new word.

Name: _____



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Sound Box Challenge

Say the word slowly. Write one sound in each box. Then write the whole word on the line.

Name: _____



Write it: _____



Write it: _____



Write it: _____

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Sound Box Challenge: Answer Key

One box for each sound. A magic e shares a box with its consonant.



h | a | m



j | a | m



y | a | m

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Read, Build, Write

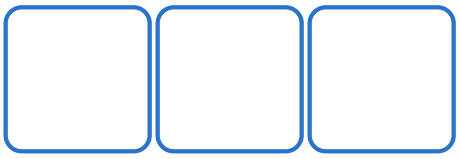
Read the word in the first box. Build it with letter tiles. Write it on the line.

Name: _____

Read

ham

Build

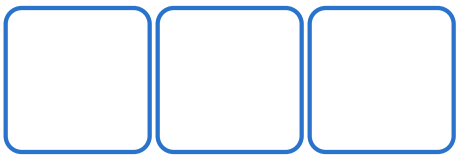


Write _____

Read

jam

Build



Write _____

Read

yam

Build

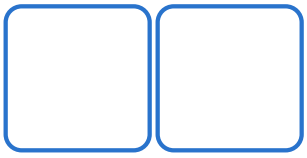


Write _____

Read

am

Build



Write _____

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Read, Build, Write: Letter Tiles

Cut out the tiles. Vowels are red.



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Missing Middle Sound

Cut out the cards. Say the word. Clip a clothespin on the missing vowel.



h_m

o i a



j_m

e i a



y_m

a u i

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Missing Middle Sound: Answer Key

The missing vowel for each picture.



hAm



jAm



yAm

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Word Hunt: Word Cards

Cut out the cards. Hide them around the room. Children hunt, read, and take the cards to the mat.

ham	jam	yam

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Word Hunt: Matching Mat

Place each word card (or write the word) under its picture.

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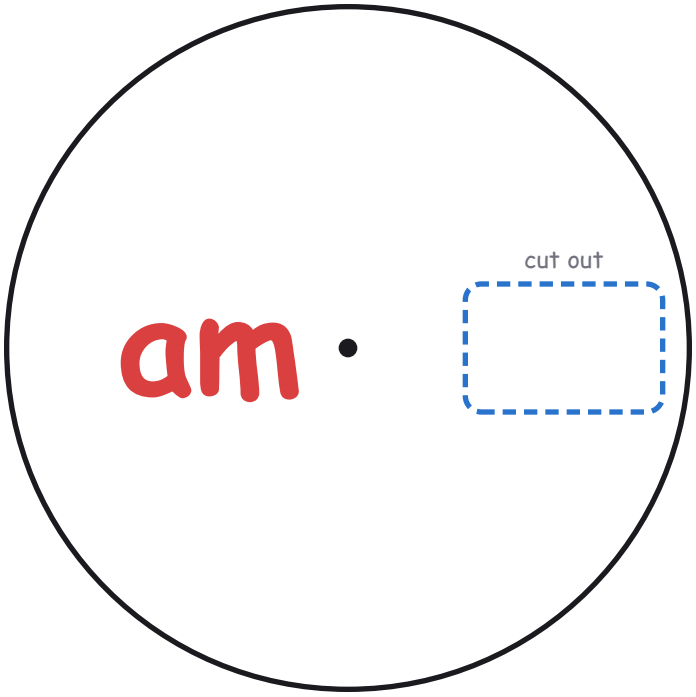


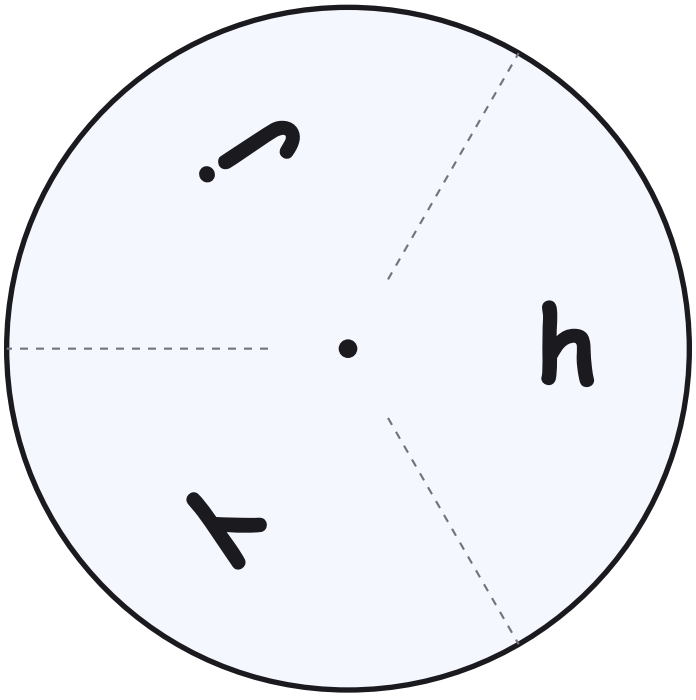


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Word Family Wheel: -am

Cut out both circles. Cut out the window in the cover. Push a brass fastener through the two center dots.
Turn the bottom wheel. Read each word through the window.





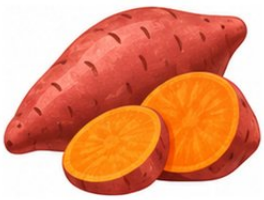
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Phonics Memory Match

Cut out the cards. Mix them up and lay them face down. Turn over two. A picture and its word make a match.







ham

jam

yam

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