Phonics Centers Pack

Lesson 4: Dad's Bag (-ad -ag)

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.

Real or Silly Words

Read each card. If it is a real word, put it in the Real pile. If it is a made-up word, put it in the Silly pile.

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.

Roll, Build, Write

Roll the die and find the picture with that number. Build the word with letter tiles and write it on the sheet.

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.

Phonics Tic-Tac-Toe

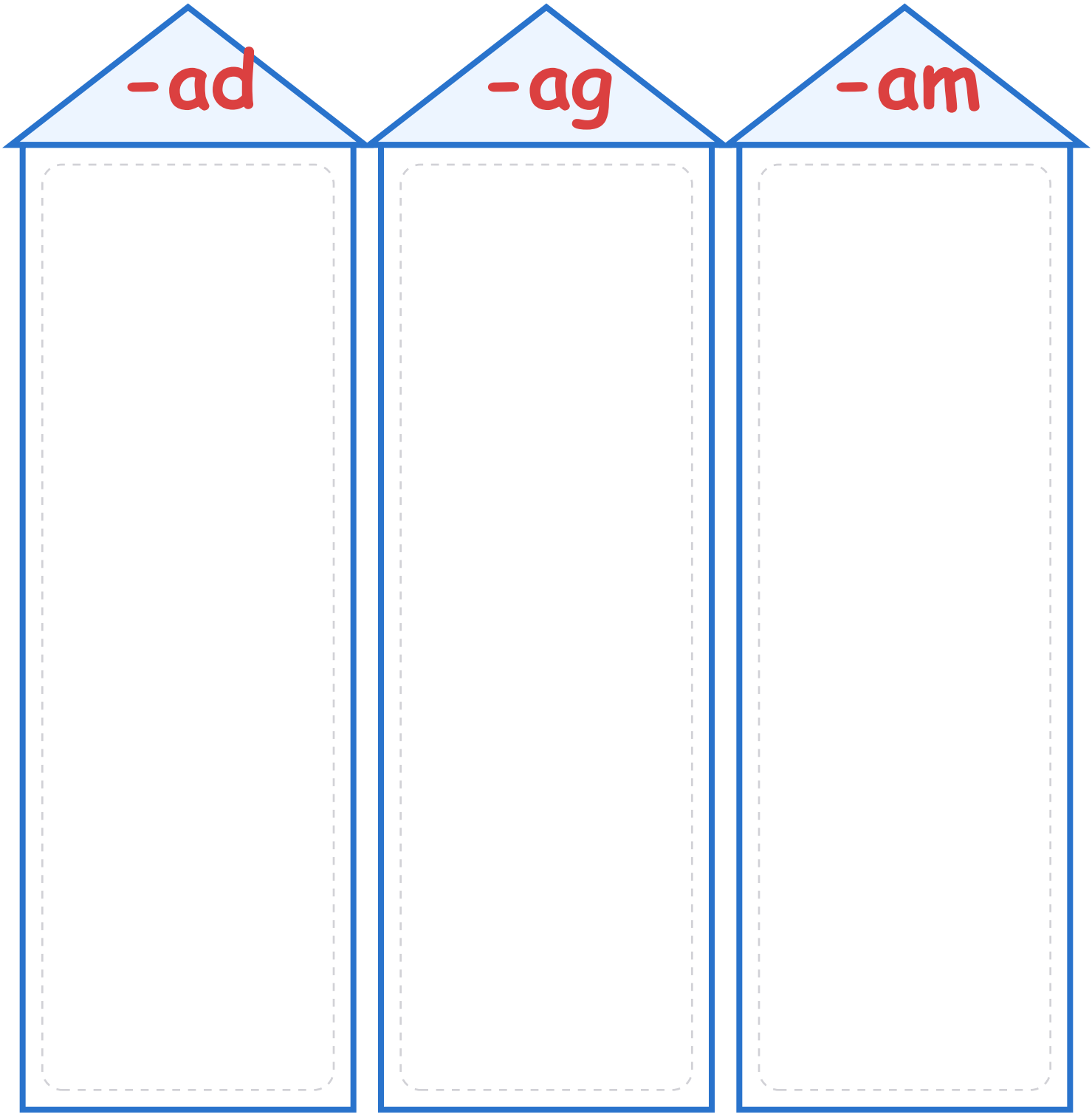
Two players. Read a word before you put your X or O on it. Three in a row wins.

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.



dad



mad



sad



bag



wag



ham



jam



yam

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Clip the Word

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



wag

dad

bag



mad

wag

glad



mad

gag

sad



dad

bag

bad



sad

glad

wag

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Clip the Word: Answer Key

The correct word for each picture.



dad



mad



sad



bag



wag

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Roll and Read

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



bag	wag	dad	bad	mad	sad
gag	glad	wag	bag	glad	sad
mad	bad	gag	dad	sad	wag
bad	dad	glad	gag	bag	mad
wag	glad	mad	sad	bag	dad
bad	gag	glad	bad	dad	sad

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Word and Picture Puzzles

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



dad



mad



sad



bag

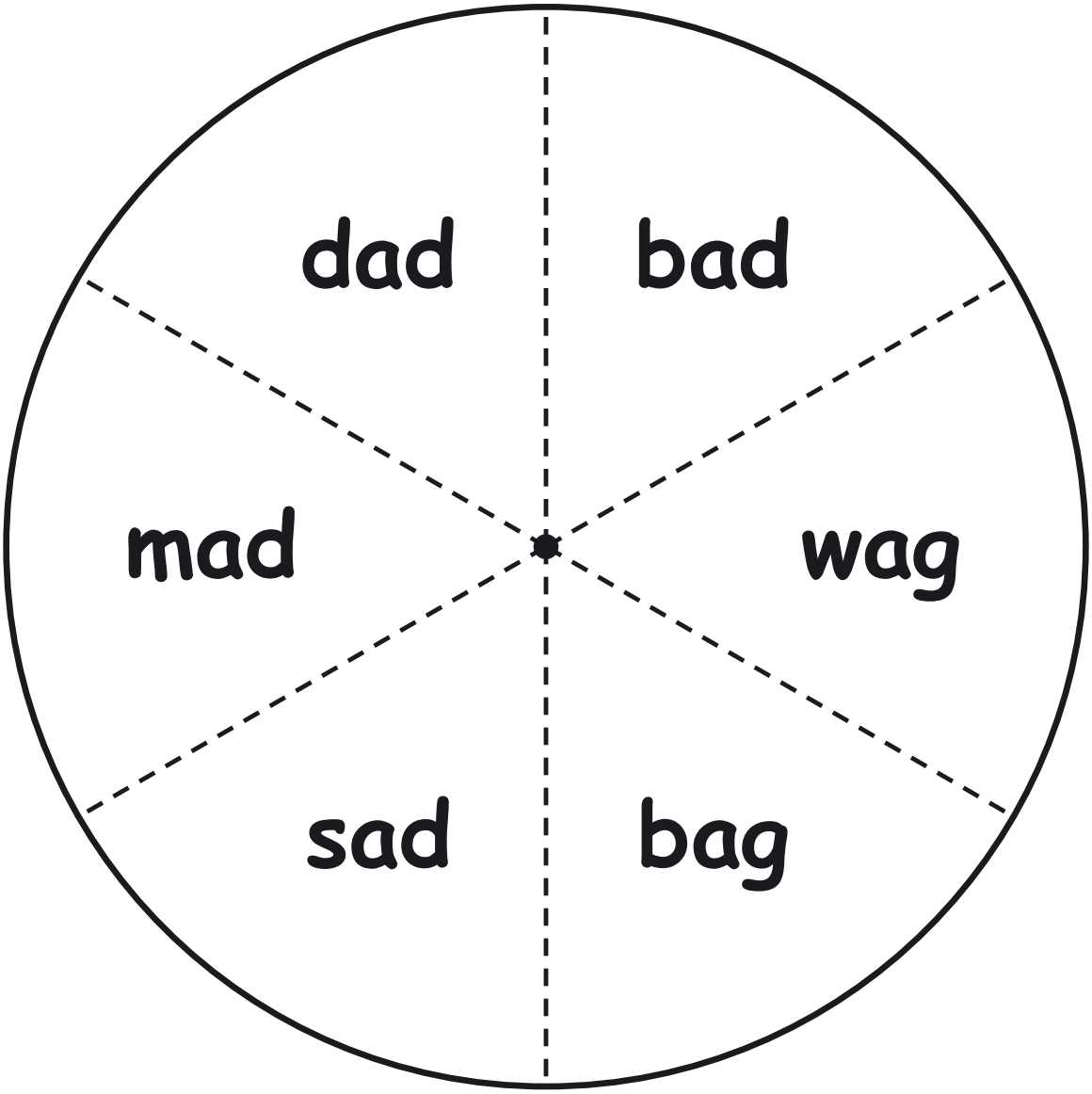


wag

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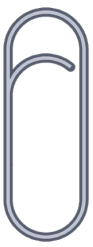
Spin and Cover: Spinner

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.

bad	bag	mad	dad
wag	sad	dad	mad
sad	wag	bad	bag

bad	mad	wag	bag
dad	sad	wag	mad
dad	sad	bad	bag

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bad	bag	sad	wag

bad	wag	mad	dad
sad	bag	sad	wag
mad	bad	dad	bag

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Real or Silly Words: Sorting Mat

Sound out each card. Real words go on the left. Silly (made-up) words go on the right.



Real word



Silly word

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Real or Silly Words: Word Cards

Cut out the cards. Mix them up. A teacher key is at the bottom of this page.

zad	gag	dad
vag	bad	mad
glad	yag	bag
sad	vad	yad
wag		

Teacher key Real: dad, mad, sad, bag, wag, bad, glad, gag
Silly: zad, yag, vad, vag, yad

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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).

glad	bad	gag	sad	bag
dad	mad	wag	sad	bad
glad	bag	wag	gag	dad
mad	dad	mad	sad	bag
wag	gag	bad	glad	gag

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Phonics Four in a Row

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glad	wag	sad	bag	mad
bad	gag	dad	sad	glad
dad	mad	gag	bag	wag
bad	glad	wag	bag	dad
mad	bad	sad	gag	bad

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Phonics Dominoes

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



mad



sad



bag



wag

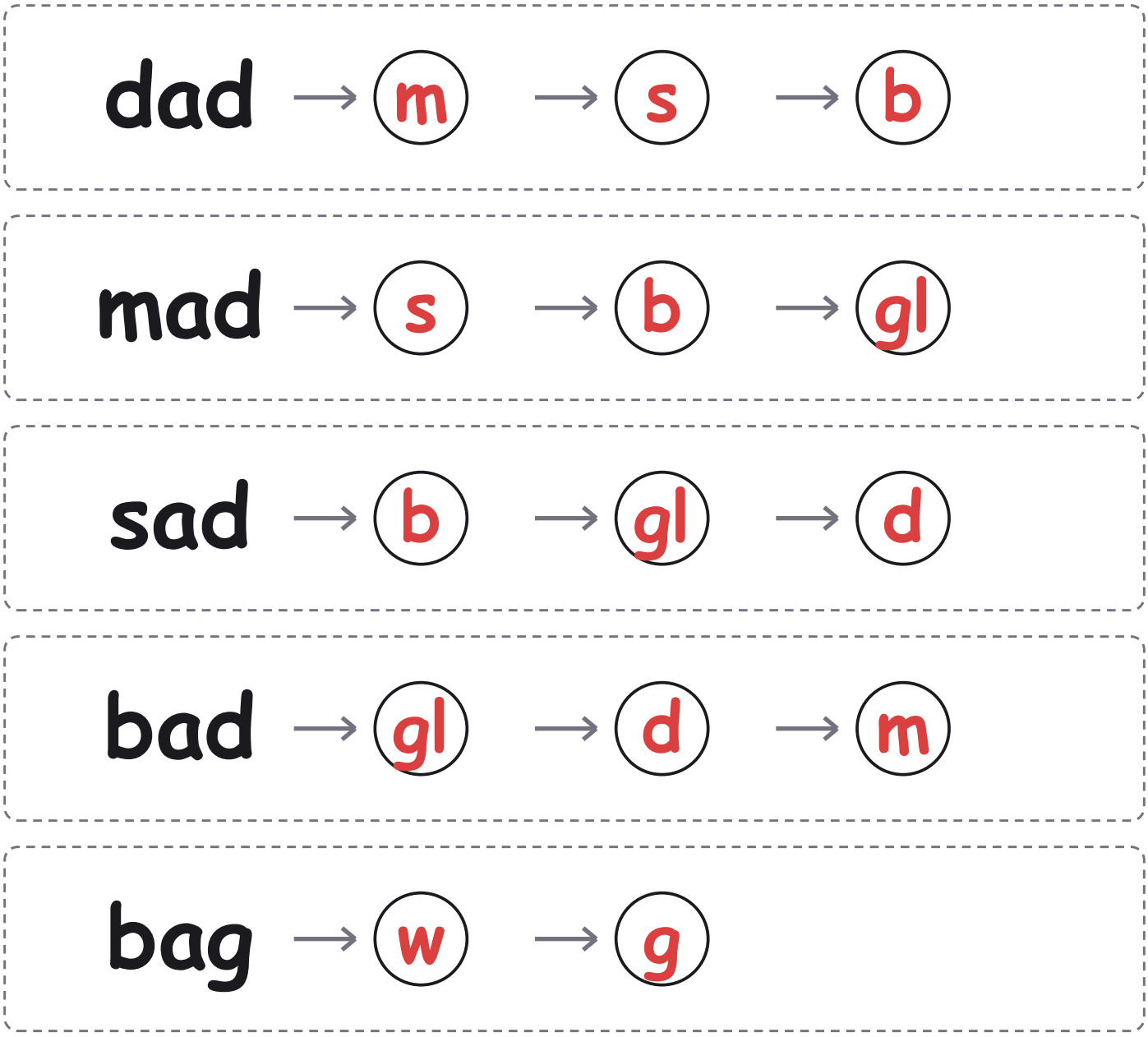


dad

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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.

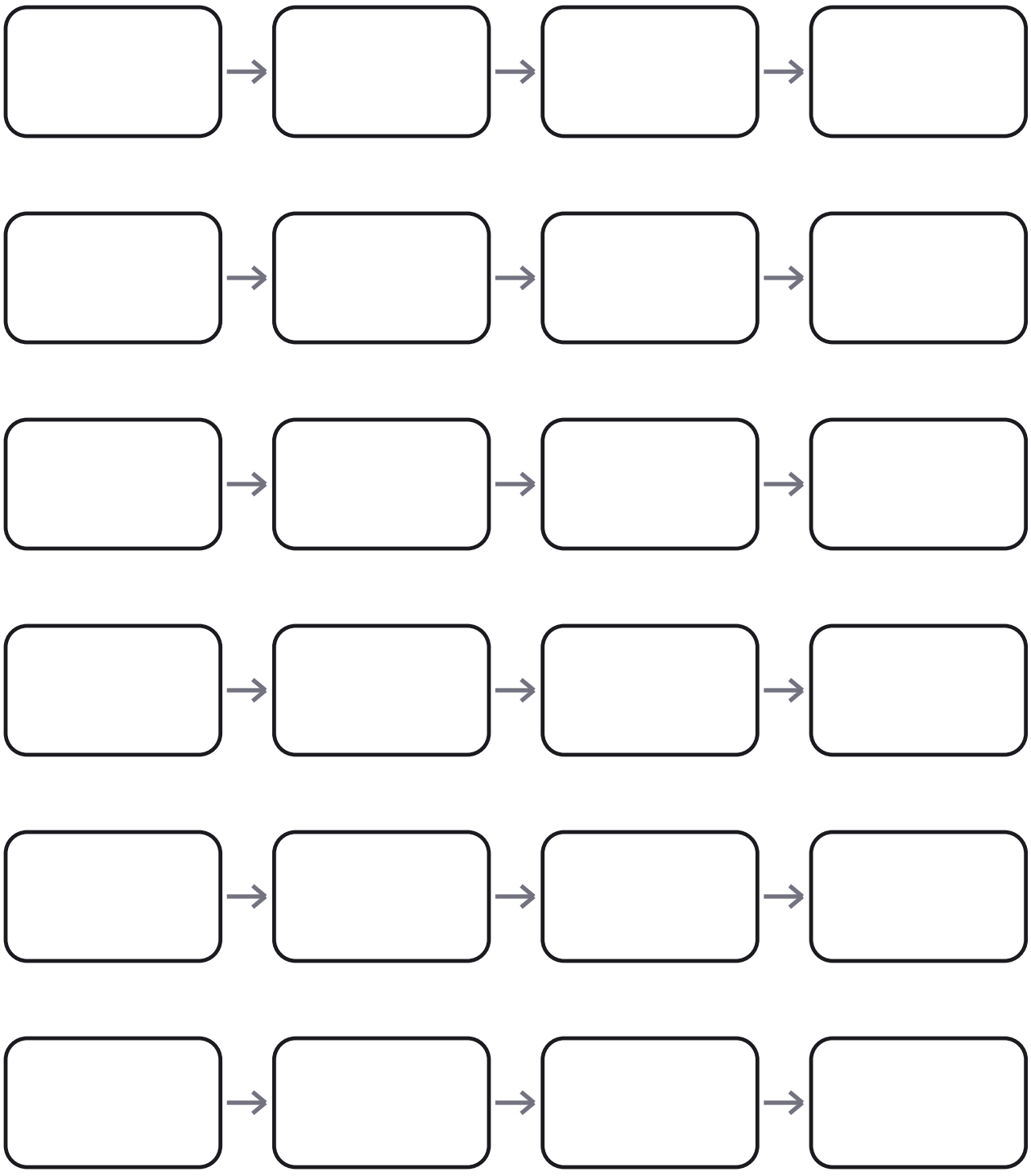


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Change One Sound: Recording Mat

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: _____



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.



d | a | d



m | a | d



s | a | d



b | a | g



w | a | g

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Read, Build, Write

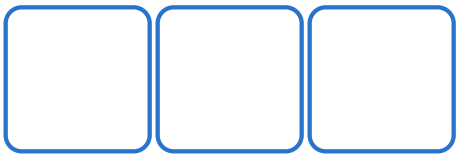
Read the word in the first box. Build it with letter tiles. Write it on the line.

Name: _____

Read

dad

Build

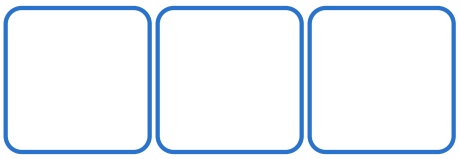


Write _____

Read

mad

Build

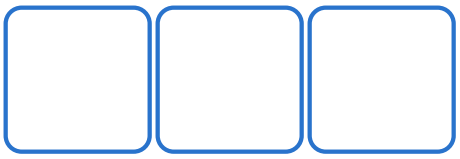


Write _____

Read

sad

Build

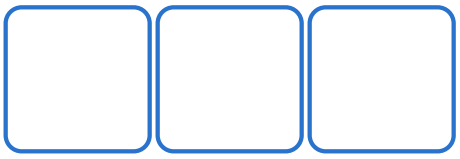


Write _____

Read

bag

Build

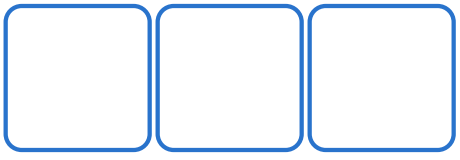


Write _____

Read

wag

Build



Write _____

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Read, Build, Write: Letter Tiles

Cut out the tiles. Vowels are red.

a	b	d	d	g	m	s	w

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Missing Middle Sound

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



d_d

a u e



m_d

a e i



s_d

o a e



b_g

u o a



w_g

a u e

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Missing Middle Sound: Answer Key

The missing vowel for each picture.



dAd



mAd



sAd



bAg

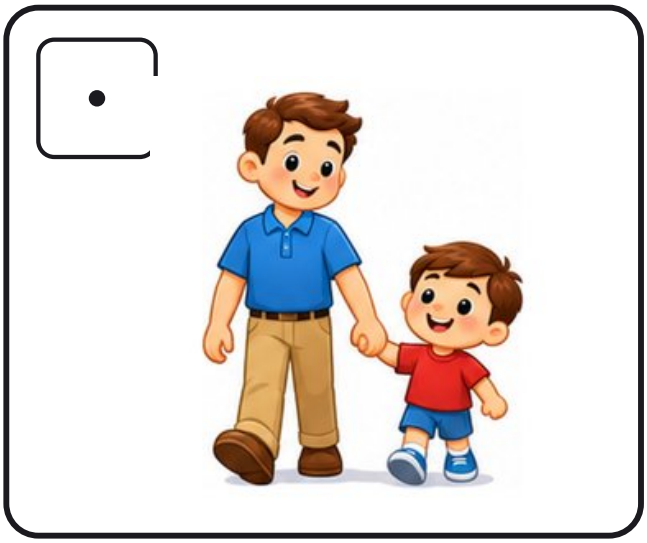


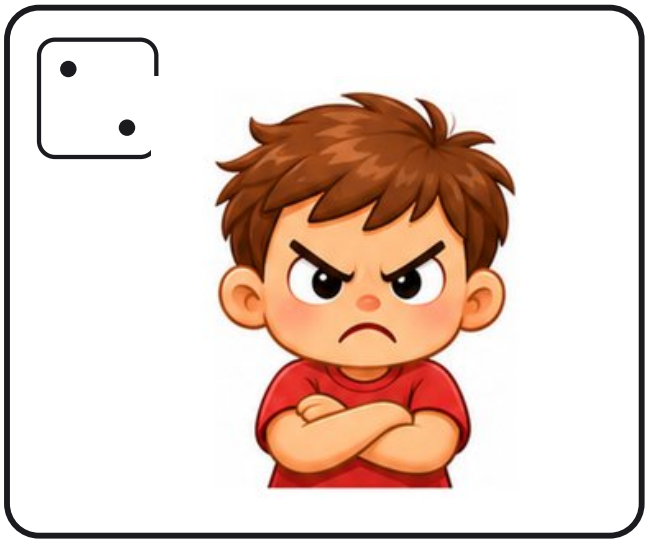
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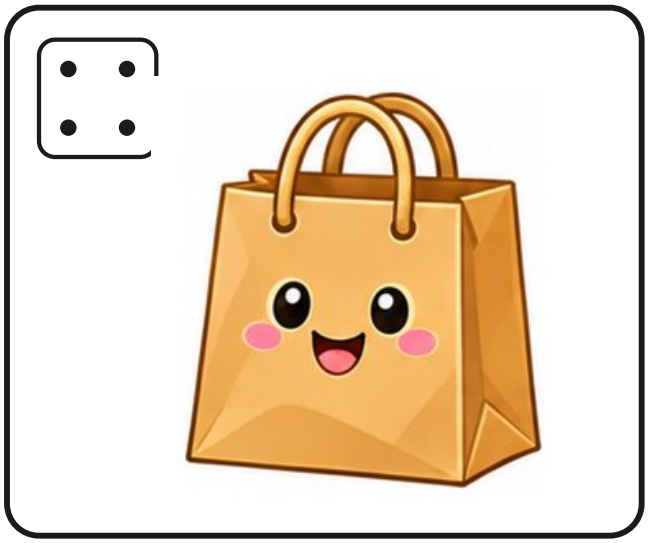
Roll, Build, Write: Dice Board

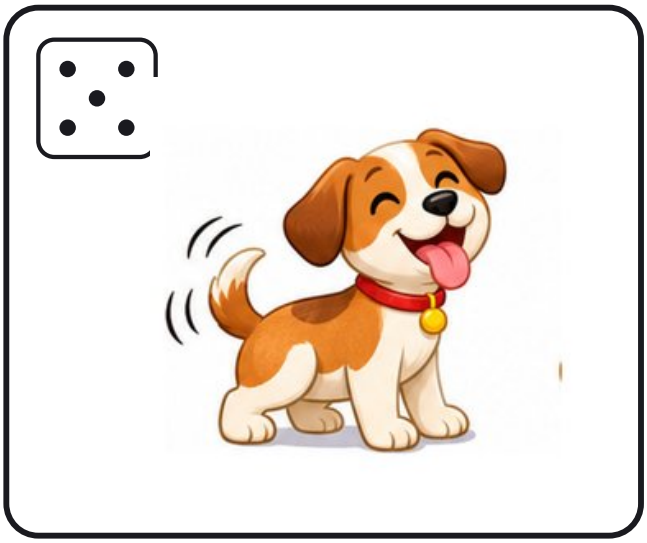
Roll the die. Find the picture with that number of dots. Build the word with letter tiles.











Your choice!

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Roll, Build, Write: Writing Sheet

Write the word you built each time you roll.

Name: _____

1. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
2. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
3. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
4. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
5. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
6. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
7. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
8. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
9. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____
10. I rolled a _____ I built and wrote: _____

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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.

dad	mad	sad
bag	wag	

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Word Hunt: Matching Mat

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

Name: _____







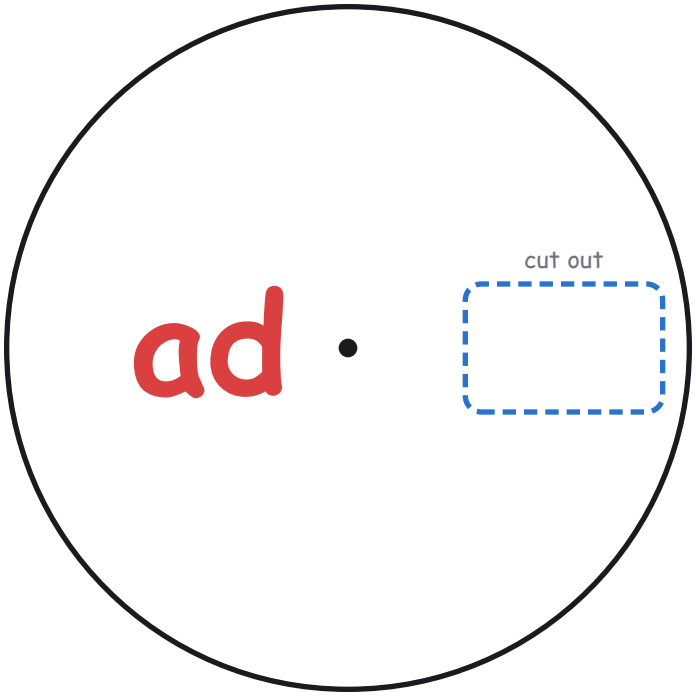


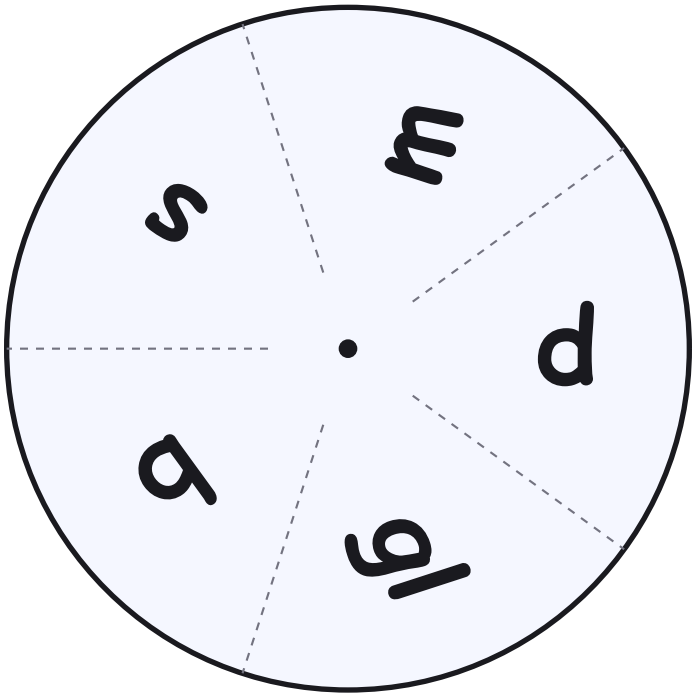


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Word Family Wheel: -ad

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.

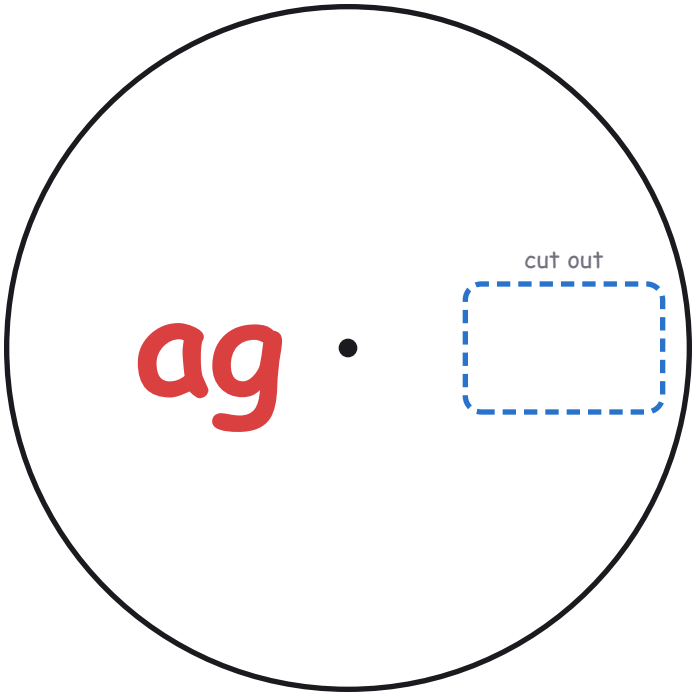


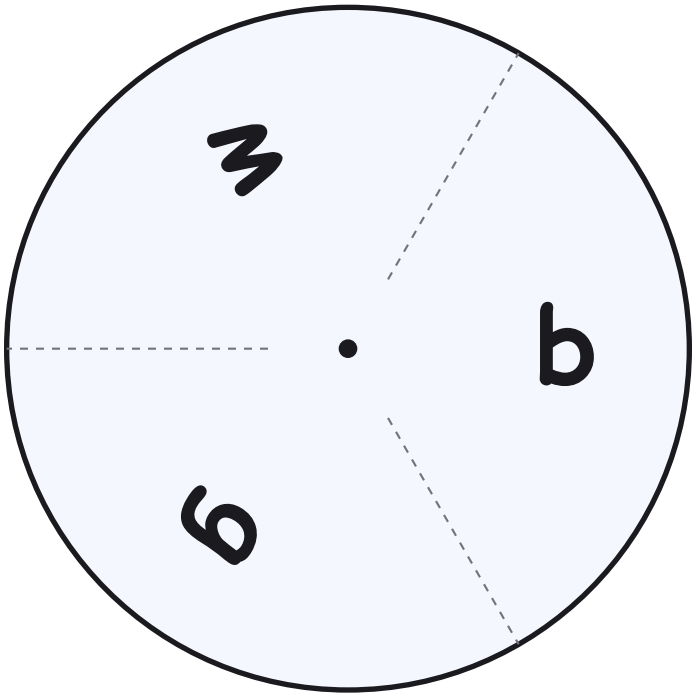


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Word Family Wheel: -ag

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.











dad

mad

sad

bag

wag

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Phonics Tic-Tac-Toe

Read the word before you mark it. One player is X, one is O. Three in a row wins.

gag	dad	glad
mad	wag	bad
bag	sad	glad

mad	glad	dad
bag	wag	gag
sad	bad	dad

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