Phonics Centers Pack

Lesson 8: The Hens (-en)

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.

Phonics Tic-Tac-Toe

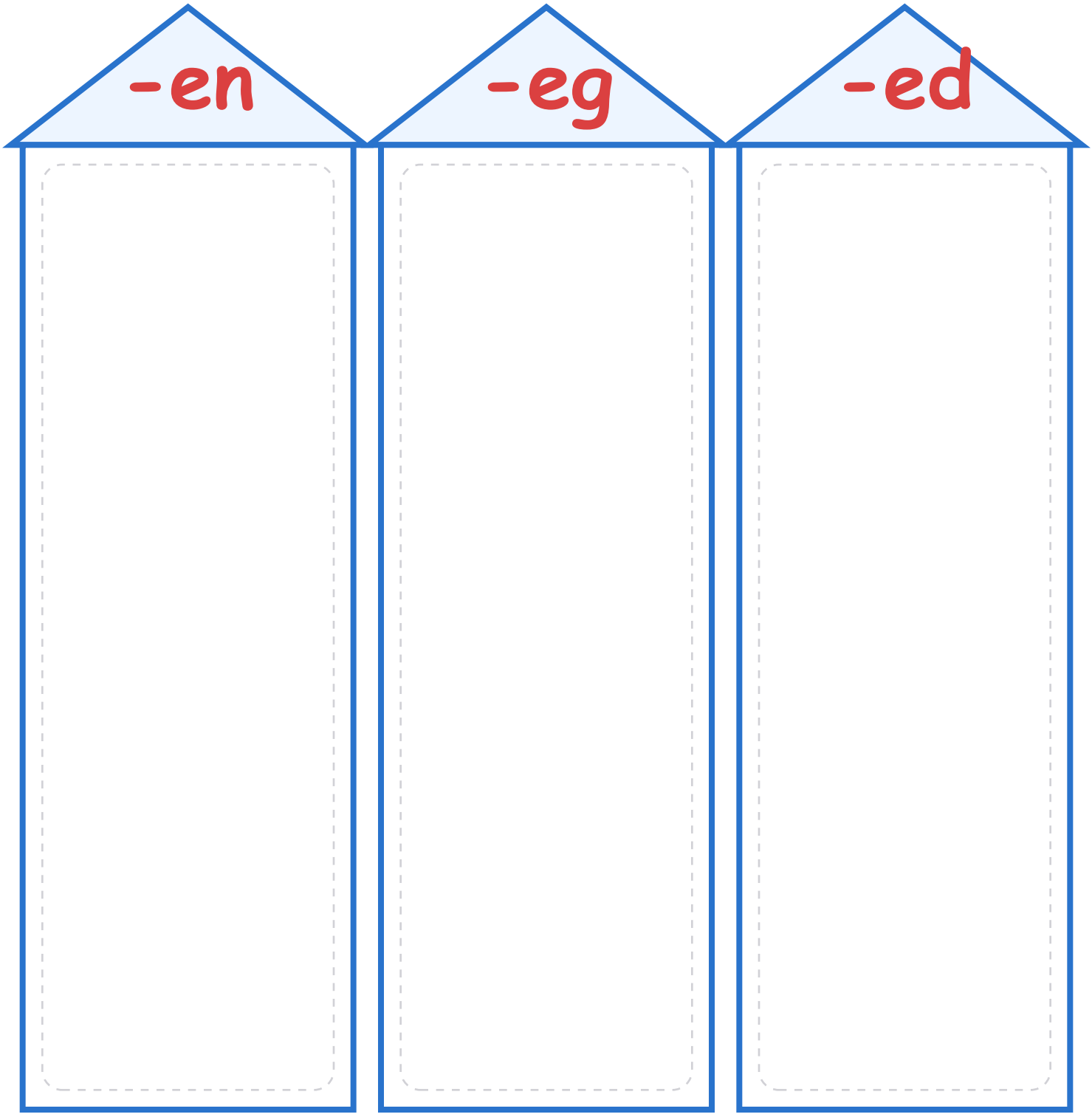
Two players. Read a word before you put your X or O on it. Three in a row wins.

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.



hen



men



pen



ten



beg



leg



keg



bed



wed

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Clip the Word

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



len

hen

men



ten

men

len



men

ten

pen



hen

ten

pen

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Clip the Word: Answer Key

The correct word for each picture.



hen



men



pen



ten

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Roll and Read

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



ten	ken	men	pen	len	hen
len	men	ken	hen	ten	pen
hen	pen	ken	ten	len	men
hen	len	pen	ten	men	ken
len	hen	ten	pen	men	ken
hen	pen	ken	len	men	ten

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Word and Picture Puzzles

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



hen



men



pen

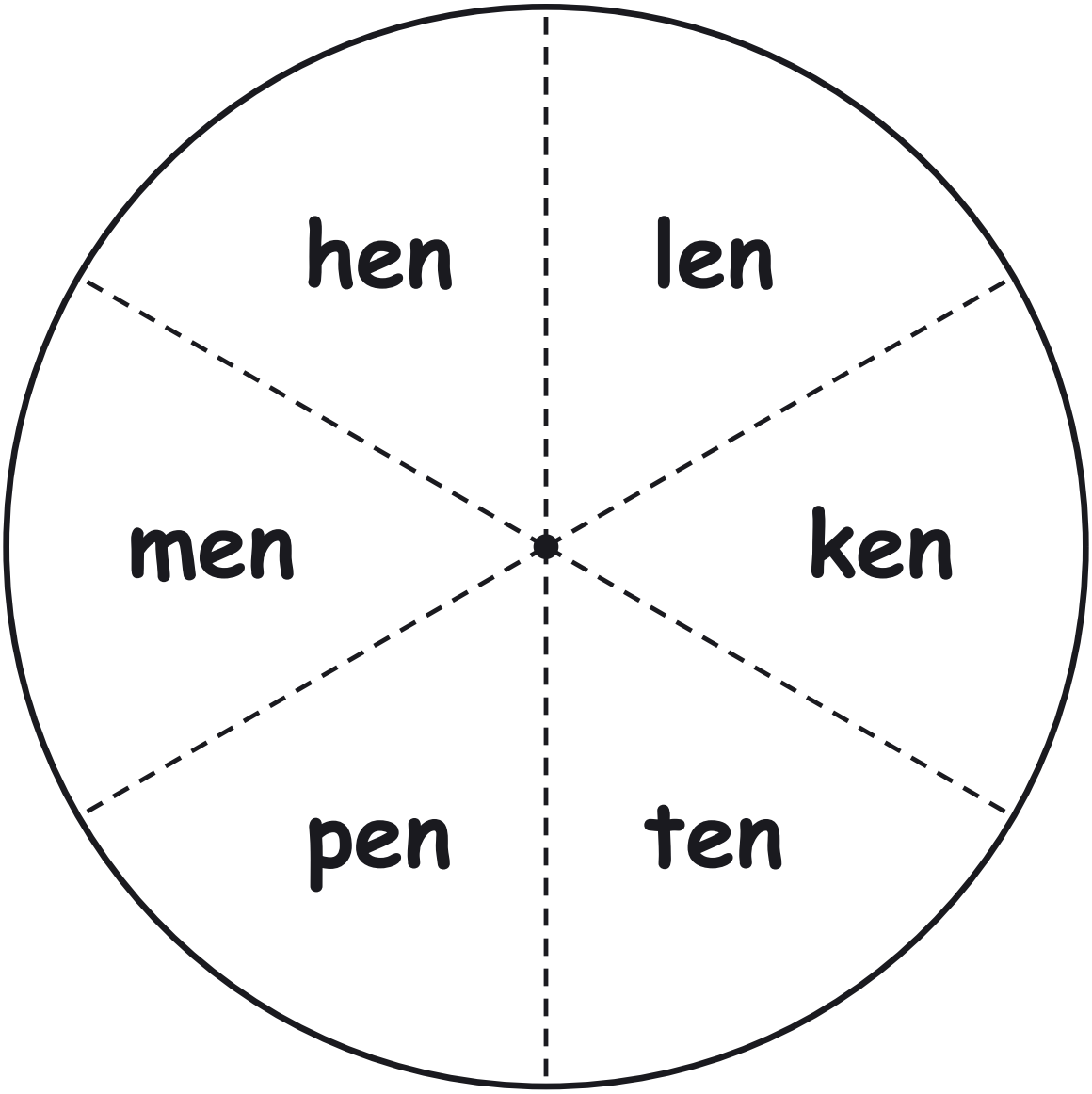


ten

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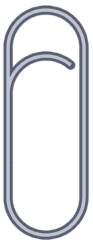
Spin and Cover: Spinner

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.

hen	len	ten	ken
pen	men	pen	len
ken	ten	hen	men

len	hen	pen	ken
men	ten	men	pen
ken	hen	len	ten

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pen	ten	len	ken
men	hen	ten	pen
hen	len	ken	men

men	ken	hen	len
ten	pen	hen	ten
pen	ken	len	men

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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).

ten	hen	len	pen	ken
men	ten	ken	men	len
hen	pen	ten	len	pen
ken	men	hen	len	pen
ken	ten	men	hen	len

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Phonics Four in a Row

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men	ken	pen	len	hen
ten	men	ten	pen	hen
len	ken	ten	ken	hen
len	pen	men	pen	hen
ken	men	len	ten	men

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Phonics Dominoes

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



men



pen



ten



hen

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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.

hen → m → p → t

men → p → t → k

pen → t → k → l

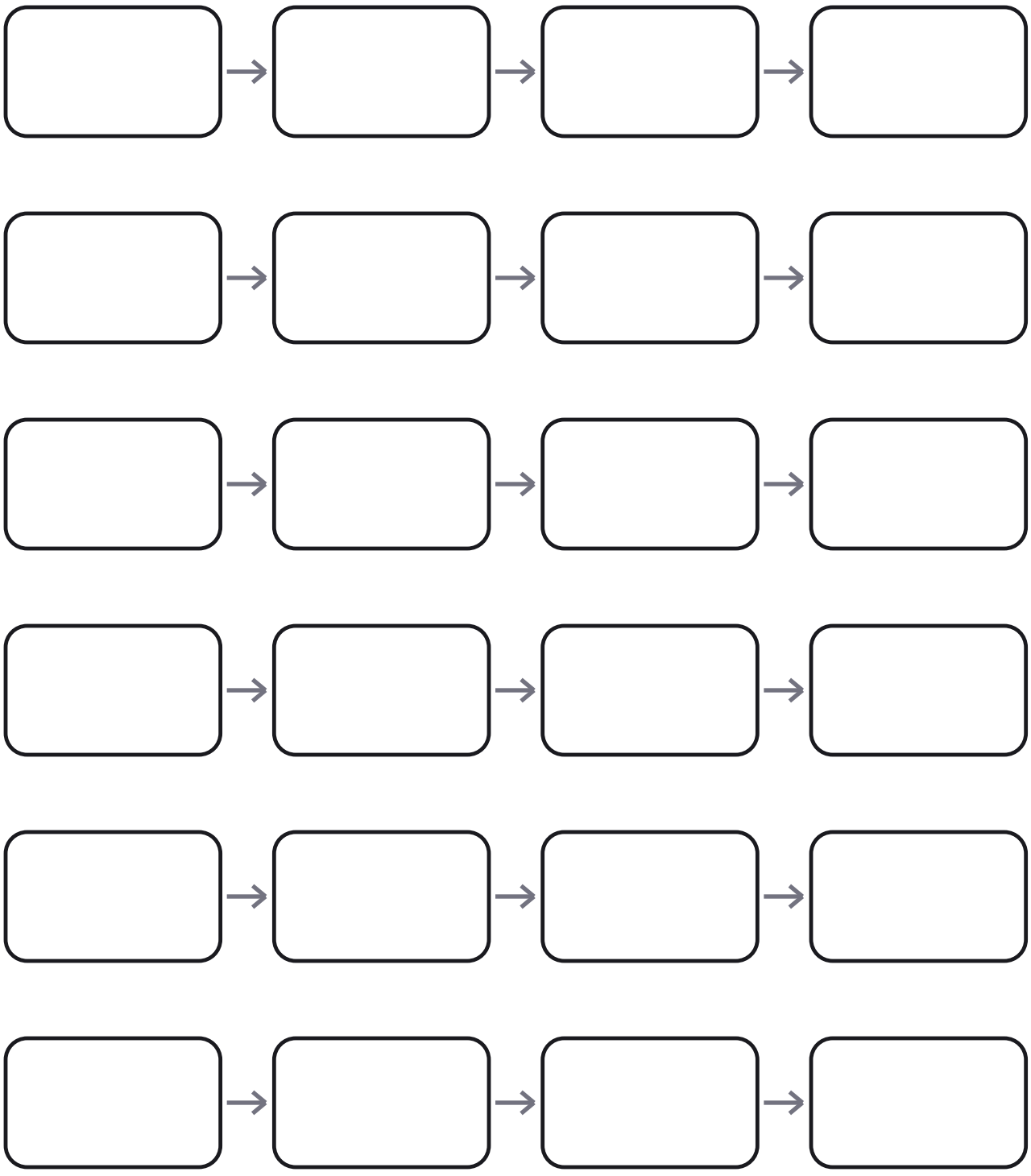
ten → k → l → h

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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: _____

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Sound Box Challenge: Answer Key

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



h | e | n



m | e | n



p | e | n



t | e | n

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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 | Build

hen

Write _____

Read | Build

men

Write _____

Read | Build

pen

Write _____

Read | Build

ten

Write _____

Read | Build

ken

Write _____

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Read, Build, Write: Letter Tiles

Cut out the tiles. Vowels are red.

e	h	k	m	n	p	t

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Missing Middle Sound

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



h_n

u o e



m_n

e u o



p_n

u e o



t_n

i e o

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Missing Middle Sound: Answer Key

The missing vowel for each picture.



hEn



mEn



pEn



tEn

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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.

hen	men	pen
ten		

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Word Hunt: Matching Mat

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

Name: _____





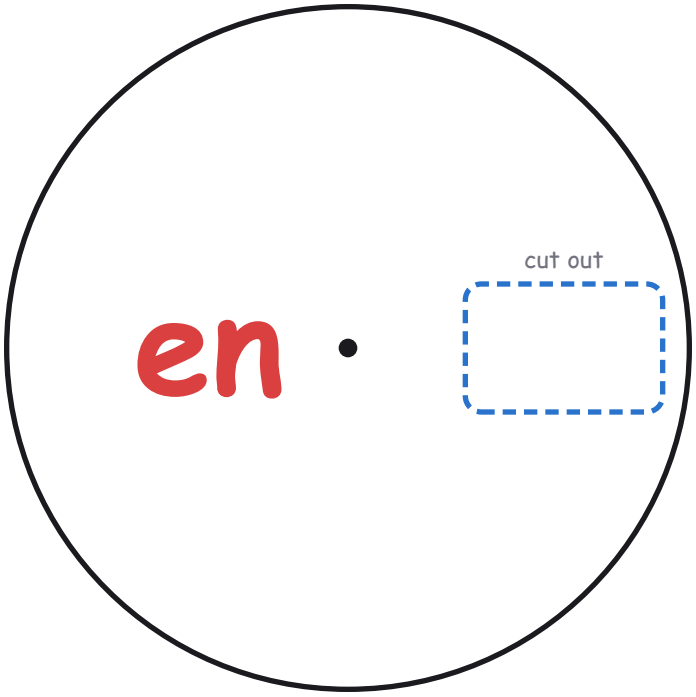


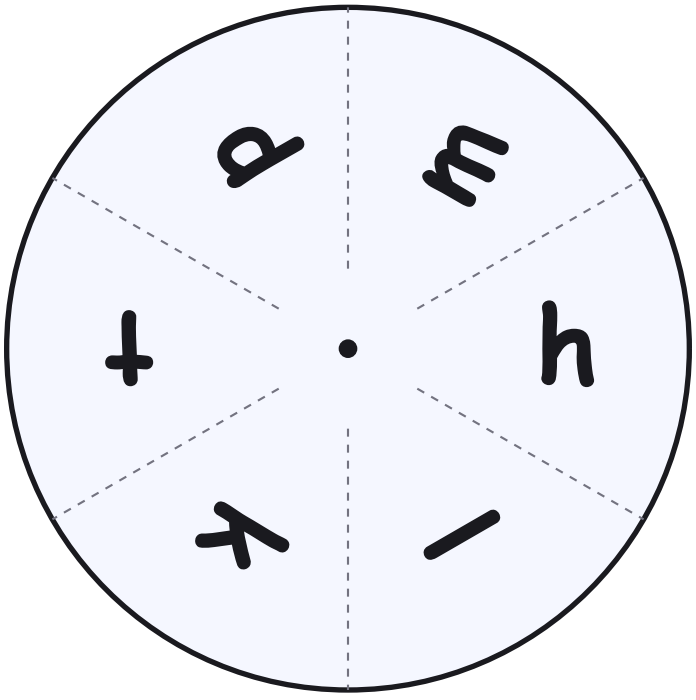


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Word Family Wheel: -en

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.

			
hen	men	pen	ten

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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.

len	pen	ten
hen	ken	men
ten	pen	hen

pen	ten	men
len	ken	hen
men	ken	len

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