

Real Word/Alien Word

Focus Area: Beginning Phonics

Timing: 5-10 minutes

Materials:

- Real Word/Alien Word white board or recording sheet
- Set of wooden blocks with onsets and rimes

Procedure:

- Write onsets on one 1” wooden die in one color (write them close to the right edge of the die).
- Write rime patterns on the other die in another color (write them close to the left edge of the die).
- Students roll the dice and blend to read a word.
- Students decide if the word is a “real” word or an “alien” word and record the word on a chart.

Student Directions

Timing: 10 minutes

Get Ready:

- Choose one baggie with two wooden dice in it.
- Have a pen or pencil.
- Take one recording sheet per person and put your name on it.

Get Set:

- Choose who will go first.

Go:

- Student 1 rolls the dice.
- Blend the letters together to make a word. Read it!
- Discuss with your partner if the word is a real word or an alien word, and then record it on your sheet in the appropriate column. If it's a real word, use it in a sentence.
- Student 2 rolls the dice.
- Continue taking turns until your time is up.

EXTENSION: Pick 2-3 of your real words and write meaningful sentences on the back of your recording sheet.

Word Roll Recording Sheet



Real Words



Alien Words

1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.
6.	6.
7.	7.
8.	8.
9.	9.
10.	10.

Sample Words

at – cat rat fat mat sat pat hat bat vat flat slat scat spat brat chat

an – fan ran man tan ban can pan van bran plan clan scan span

ap – tap map rap lap cap gap nap sap yap flap snap trap scrap strap clap slap

am – ram ham dam jam Sam yam cram pram slam clam dram swam tram

gram sham scram

ab – cab nab lab jab tab crab flab grab blab slab stab drab

ag – bag rag nag hag tag gag lag sag wag stag brag flag snag swag drag

crag

ad – mad sad pad bad fad had lad clad glad brad

ax – lax tax wax flax

et – bet let met jet wet set yet net vet pet get fret

en – den hen Ben pen ten yen men when then

ed – bed fed led red wed Ted bled bred fled sled shed

it – bit fit hit kit lit nit pit sit wit quit flit slit skit spit grit

in – bin din fin kin pin sin tin win skin spin twin grin shin chin thin

ip – dip hip lip nip rip sip tip zip slip flip trip clip skip snip drip grip strip ship

chip

im – dim him rim vim slim brim grim prim skim swim trim

id – did bid hid kid lid rid slid skid

ib – bib fib jib nib rib glib crib

ig – big dig fig jig pig rig wig swig twig brig sprig

ot – cot dot got hot lot not pot rot tot slot blot trot clot shot

op – bop cop hop lop mop pop sop top crop drop stop clop flop slop prop shop

chop

od – cod god nod pod rod sod clod plod prod shod

ob – cob fob gob job lob mob rob sob slob blob snob

og – bog cog dog fog hog jog log frog slog smog clog

ut – but cut gut hut jut nut rut glut shut

un – bun fun gun nun pun run sun stun

um – bum gum hum mum rum sum drum glum plum swum scrum strum chum

ub – cub dub hub pub rub sub tub nub club snub stub drub grub scrub shrub

ug – dug rug mug bug plug glug slug smug snug drug chug shrug

amp – camp damp lamp ramp tramp cramp clamp scamp stamp champ

ump – bump dump hump lump pump plump slump clump stump trump chump

thump

and – band hand land sand stand grand gland strand

end – bend fend lend mend rend send tend vend wend blend spend

ant – pant slant scant grant plant chant

ent – bent dent lent pent rent sent tent vent went spent

est – best nest pest rest test vest west zest chest

old – old bold cold fold gold hold mold sold told scold

ank – bank dank lank rank sank tank yank blank flank plank clank prank crank
drank spank thank

ink – sink link mink pink rink wink slink blink stink clink brink drink chink think
shrink

unk – dunk bunk sunk hunk junk punk plunk clunk flunk skunk drunk trunk
chunk shrunk

ang – bang fang gang hang pang rang sang tang clang slang twang sprang

ing – sing wing king ping ring sling cling fling sting swing bring string spring
thing

ong – long bong song thong prong strong throng along

ung – bung dung sung hung lung rung slung clung flung stung swung sprung
strung

ash – dash bash hash cash lash gash mash rash sash slash flash crash trash
smash

ush – hush lush mush rush blush plush flush brush crush

atch – batch catch hatch latch match patch snatch scratch

ade – made fade wade jade glade blade grade spade shade

ake – cake bake fake lake make rake sake take wake flake snake stake drake
shake

ape – ape cape gape nape tape drape grape scrape shape

ate – ate date fate gate hate late mate rate plate slate skate state crate grate

ame – came dame fame game lame name same tame flame blame frame
shame

ide – ride bide hide side tide wide glide slide bride pride stride

ine – dine fine line mine nine pine vine wine spine swine twine brine shine
whine

one – bone cone hone lone tone clone stone drone prone phone throne alone