

Lesson 10: Consonant Blends

Phonics Focus: A consonant blend is two consonant letters whose sound mixes together in a word. They are blended together, but each letter retains its own sound.

If consonant blends are pronounced too separately, an unwanted vowel sound slips in, making the pronunciation impossible to understand. Blends can be used at either the beginning or at the end of words or syllables.

Consonant blends usually have two different sounds, but some of them involve three different sounds. Model or say these sounds for your student each time you get together until you are sure they are saying them correctly. After the consonant and short vowels, begin these blended sounds as soon as possible. Practice them until there is no guessing.

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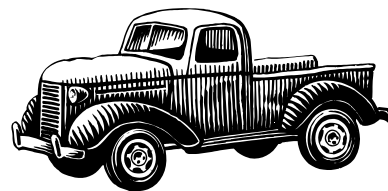
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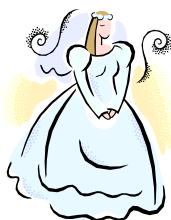
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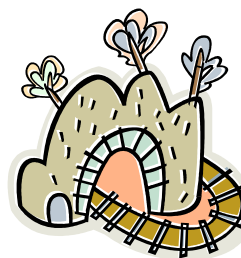
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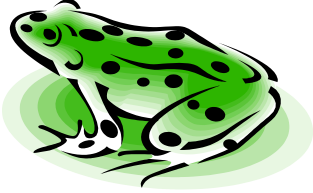


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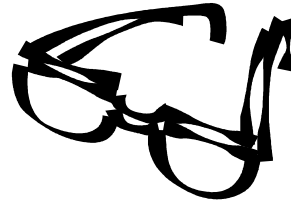
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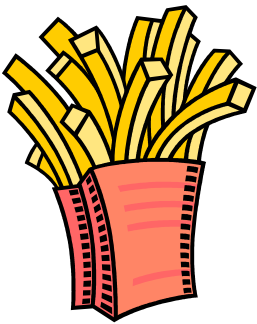
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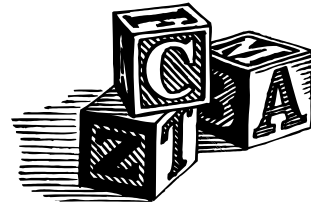
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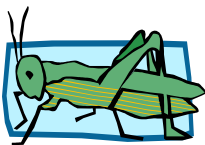
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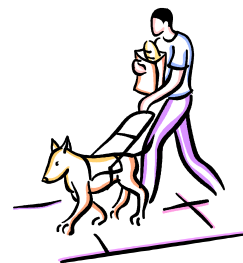
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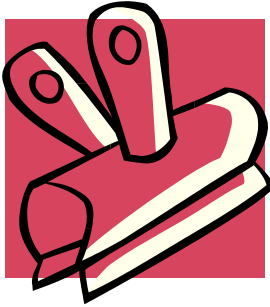


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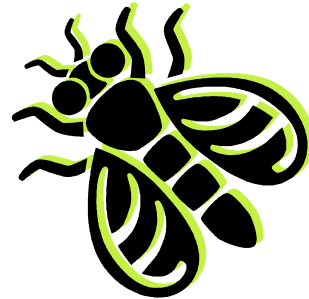
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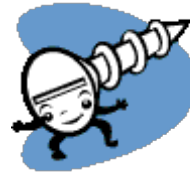
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