

## Lesson 4: Short Vowel Words

**Phonics Rule: Every word must have a vowel. When there is one vowel in a word and a consonant on both sides, the vowel is short. The vowel says \_\_\_\_, the word says \_\_\_\_.** (For example:

The vowel says **ă**, the word says “cat”. Or, the vowel says **ĕ**, the word says “bed”.)

Directions: Have the student say this rule for each word they read or write until it becomes automatic. Then fade, only using it as a reminder. This may take only a short time. Also, explain that a word with a capital letter is a name, or begins a sentence.

bat bag bad bam  
bed beg bell bet

big bib bit bill

Bob box bog bob

bug bus bun bud

can cat cab cap

cot cob cod cop

cup cut cuff cub

dad dab dam Dan

den	dent	dig	dim
dip	dill	did	dog
dot	dud	dug	dull
fat	fan	fab	fad
fell	fix	fib	fig
fin	fit	fill	fox
fog	fuss	fun	fuzz
gap	gas	gag	get
got	gob	God	

gum gull Gus gun

hat hand had ham

hen help hem

hid hip him hit

hot hog hop hut

hum huff hull hug

jam jab jag Jan

jet jig Jim job

jog jot jug

kid kiss kit keg

lad lap lab lag

led less let leg

lip lid lick lit

log lock luck lug

mat man Max

met men mess

mitt miss mill mix

mop mob moss

mud mug muss

nag net Ned nip

not nod nut pad

pat pan pep pet

pig pin pit pill

pot pop puff pup

rat rag ran red

rip rib rid rig

rim rot rob rod

run rug rub sad

sat sap Sam sag

set sell sit six

sob son sun sum

tap tag tax tan

ten tent tip Tim

top tot tug tub

van vet vim wag

wax wet well wig

will wit yap yam

yak yes yet

zap zip zig zag

## Practice:

Dad can bat.

Mud got on the rug.

The red bug bit Matt.

The red fox ran.

Pat had a pet pig.