Lesson 13: Shortcuts <u>ăck</u> <u>ĕck</u> <u>ĭck</u> <u>ŏck</u> <u>ŭck</u>

Phonics Rule: In this set of short cuts (<u>ăck</u> <u>ĕck</u> <u>ĭck</u> <u>ŏck</u> <u>ŭck</u>), "ck" together is a two-letter k. It is only pronounced once. The vowel in front of this two-letter k is always short.

Directions: Circle the shortcuts in these words. Underline the blends.

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tack	tick	tock	tuck
back	deck	dock	duck
peck	pick	puck	pock
pack	beck	buck	clock
clack	click	cluck	crack
crock	flack	flick	flock
fleck	lack	lick	lock
luck	stack	stick	stock

stuck	speck	slick	slack
brick	block	black	smack
snack	jack	quick	track
trick	truck	ruckus	rack
Rick	rock	sick	suck
sack	sock	smock	brick
kick	wick	Vick	



The Red Pick/up Truck

Ken has a red pick/up truck. It has black flaps. It is a grand

truck, and it will go fast. The men think his truck is fast and will win.

Ken has bricks in the back. He must get gas in his truck. He stops to fill up the tank and to get a snack.

Ken's truck is fast and he thinks it is the best. It went up a big hill and did not stop. Ken went in the mud. His truck has lots of mud on it. It has mud on the flaps and on the back. His truck will not get stuck in the mud. He ran it in the sand, and it did not get stuck. He ran it past a log and it did not get stuck.

Ken runs his truck fast and it hits a rock. It is a bad bump. His truck is bent.

It has a big dent. Ken is sad. He will not win. He must fix his truck. He will get help. Ken will yell for help. He will jump up and fix a flag on top of his truck. Men will help him. Ken had lots of fun.

Tick Tock Clock



Tick Tock Clock.

The clock will tick.

Tick Tock Clock.

The clock will tock.

Birds flock.

Ducks quack.

Hens cluck.

Tick tock clock.

Jump up quick.

Stack the blocks.

Have a snack.

Tick tock clock.

Lips smack.

Kiss, kiss, hugs.

Hug necks.

Tick tock clock.

Off socks.

Up to bed.

Tuck in.

Tick tock clock.

Jack The Black Cat

Jack the black cat is Deb's pet. Deb had ten cats. Jack was the runt. Deb was fond of Jack. Deb and Jack had lots of fun and Jack did tricks. Jack will sit and put his paw in Deb's hand. Jack can hop on the block wall to smack at bugs, and he did not miss. Jack was quick to run to his pan and sit up on his back legs for a snack.

Deb and Jack the black cat went to the pond to sit on the dock. Deb saw a flock of



ducks. The ducks had small black specks and red bills. The ducks got in the mud and went "QUACK, QUACK!" and "SLAP, SLAP" and made a big ruckus. Jack just licked his lips and smacked a sand fly.

Then Deb went to dig clams. Deb dug up the clams and Jack sat in the sand and smacked the back of a tan Pom Pom crab. Then Deb went to check the clock. Tick tock, it was six o'clock. "Quick, Jack! Let's have a snack on the back deck as the sun sets". Deb had Cracker Jacks and Jack the black cat sat on Deb's lap and licked his paws. Jack got a big hug. Jack the black cat is Deb's best pal.