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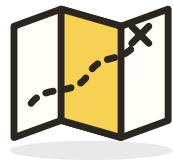
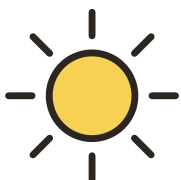
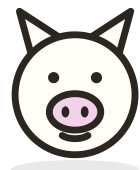
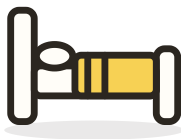
Short words, one sound in each box

FOR YOU How to use this in 5 minutes

- 1 **Name the picture. SAY:** "This is a cat. Let's say it slowly, like a stretchy rubber band: /c/ /a/ /t/."
- 2 **Tap and write. SAY:** "Tap one box for each sound you hear. Now write the letter for each sound." Go back and read the word.
- 3 **Change one letter. SAY:** "Cat. If we change the c to h, what word do we get? Hat! Write it."

Tip. Name every picture together first, so the dog isn't called a puppy. The boxes only work when it's the word on the answer key.

1 Say it slowly. Write one sound in each box.



2 Change one letter. Write the new word.

cat
change **c** to **h**

pig
change **p** to **d**

sun
change **s** to **r**

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Answer key

Short words, one sound in each box

1 Say it slowly. Write one sound in each box.

c · a · t (cat)

b · e · d (bed)

p · i · g (pig)

d · o · g (dog)

s · u · n (sun)

m · a · p (map)

2 Change one letter. Write the new word.

cat, change c to h: hat

pig, change p to d: dig

sun, change s to r: run

If it's hard

- If the middle sound is the trouble (it usually is), say the word slowly and ask, "What do you hear in the middle?"
Short vowels are the hardest sounds to hear.
- Let your child push a bean into each box as they say each sound, then write the letters.



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