

Teacher Instructions

Elkonin boxes, also known as sound boxes, are used to help students build phonological awareness. Each square or box represents a phoneme, or sound.

### **Materials:**

· counters, poker chips, linking cubes, or other small manipulatives

### **Directions:**

- 1. Students put one counter below each box.
- 2. Students say the picture name (moth).
- **3.** Students say each sound in the word while pushing a counter into the box above to represent the sound (/m/, /ŏ/, /th/). (Remember that the counters represent sounds not letters. So the digraph 'th' would only need a single counter.)
- 4. Students repeat the picture name.

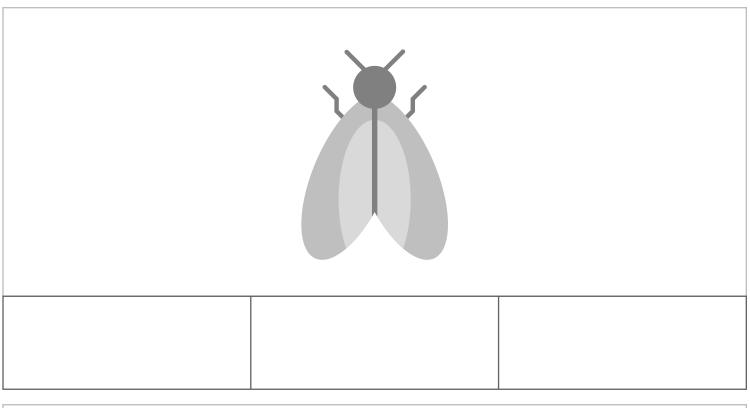
The last Elkonin box is blank. Feel free to insert your own pictures or use the boxes for other segmentation activities.

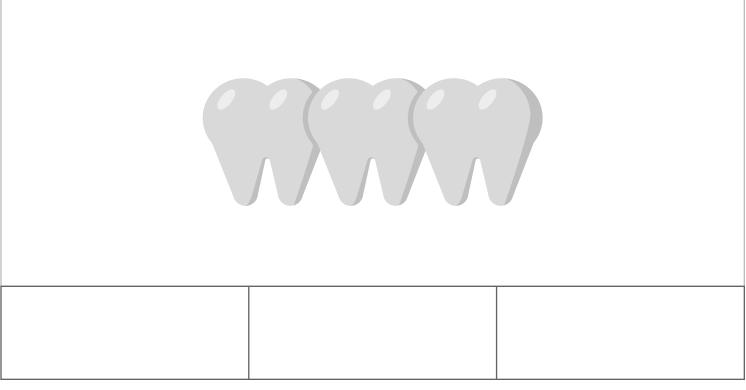
### **Answer Key:**

moth, teeth, thorn, sloth, mouth, thumb, math



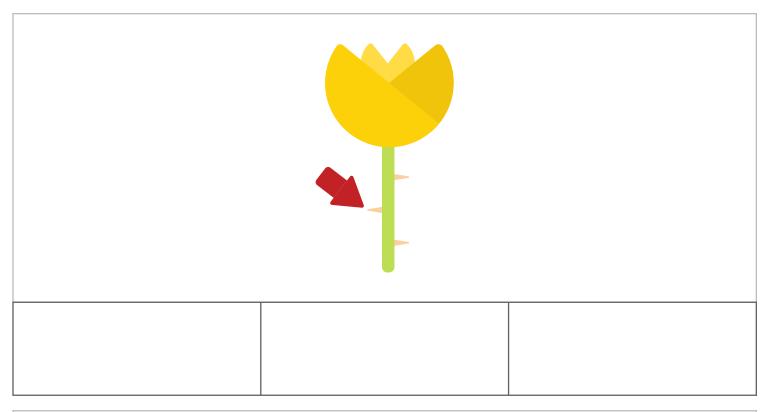
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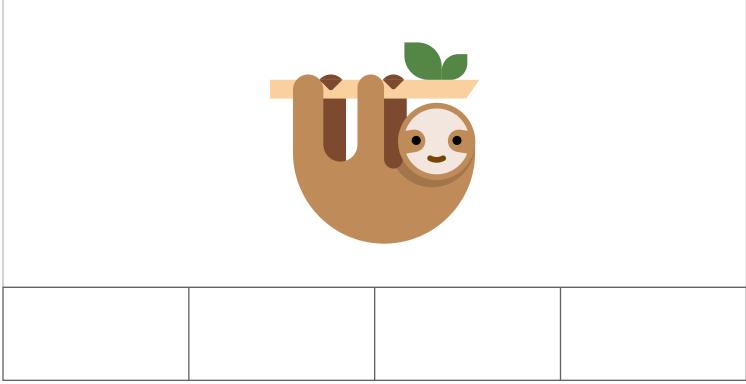




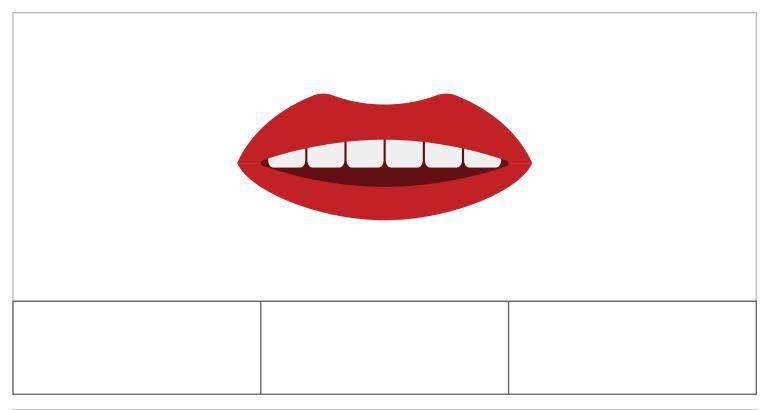


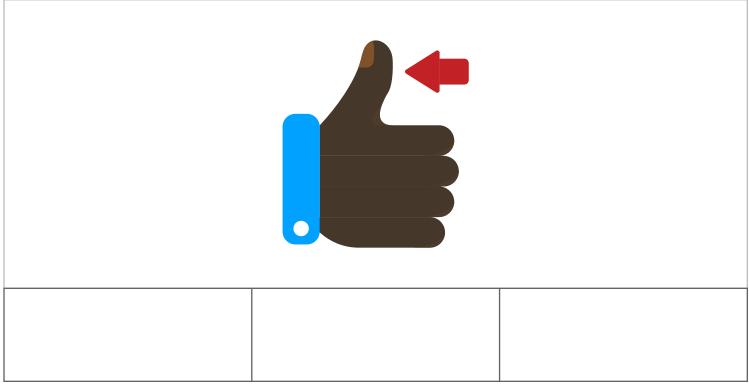
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