

Word Chaining with Short 'u'

Purpose: strengthen word-reading fluency

READING WORDS

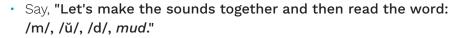
In this activity, teachers will turn short words into new words by changing a single letter or sound, and students will read the words.

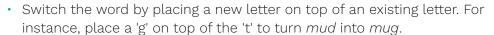
Materials:

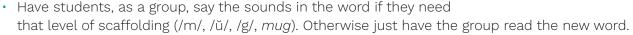
• set of lowercase letter cards: set of lowercase letter cards: a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, l, m, n, o, p, r, s, t, u

Directions:

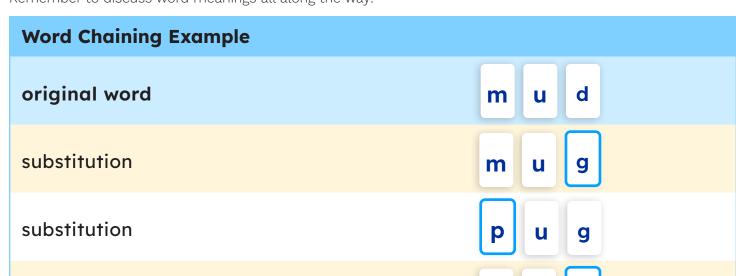
- Select the letter cards needed to build all the words in the lesson. (If students need to review the letter sounds prior to reading words, do a quick warm-up with the cards.)
- Build a word with the letter cards (for example, *mud*) and make sure all students can see the word. You can do this with a pocket chart, document camera, whiteboard, etc.



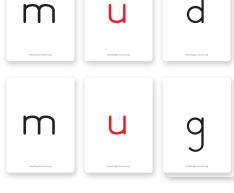








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5 Word Chains with Short 'u'

Short 'u' only	Short 'u' and Short 'e'
mud	nut
mu g	net
pug	bet
pun	but
run	hut
sun	hu g
bun	bug
bu g	beg
hug	leg
lug	lug
	tug
	tu b
VOCABULARY NOTE: pug: A pug is a type of small dog. (Show a picture if available.) lug: Lug means to carry or drag something heavy. You lug a suitcase up the stairs.	VOCABULARY NOTE: beg: To beg is to ask for something. I beg my mom to let me play outside.



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Short 'u' and Short 'a'	Short 'u' and Short 'i'
cup	big
cut	b u g
cat	bu n
hat	f un
hut	fin
n ut	fig
but	rig
b a t	rug
ba g	ru b
rag	rib
r u g	ri m
ru b	him
tub	hum
t a b	
VOCABULARY NOTE: rag: A rag is a torn piece of cloth. I use a rag or small towel to wipe the table clean.	VOCABULARY NOTE: rim: The rim is the outer part of a circular object. When you drink out of a plastic water bottle, you put your mouth on the rim. When I mix the cake batter, I hold on to the rim of the bowl. fig: A fig is a type of fruit that grows on a tree. Have you
	ever had a Fig Newton cookie? They're made of figs!



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Short 'u' and Short 'o'	
rub	
rob	
sob	
sub	
t ub	
tu g	
lug	
log	
lot	
not	
nut	
hut	
hot	
hog	
hug	

VOCABULARY NOTE:

rob: Rob means to steal something.

tug: To *tug* is to pull or yank on something. He *tugged* his sister's ponytail.

hog: To *hog* is to take a lot of something and not to share. My sister *hogged* the bowl of popcorn. *Hog* is also another name for a pig!



























Lowercase Letter Flash Cards



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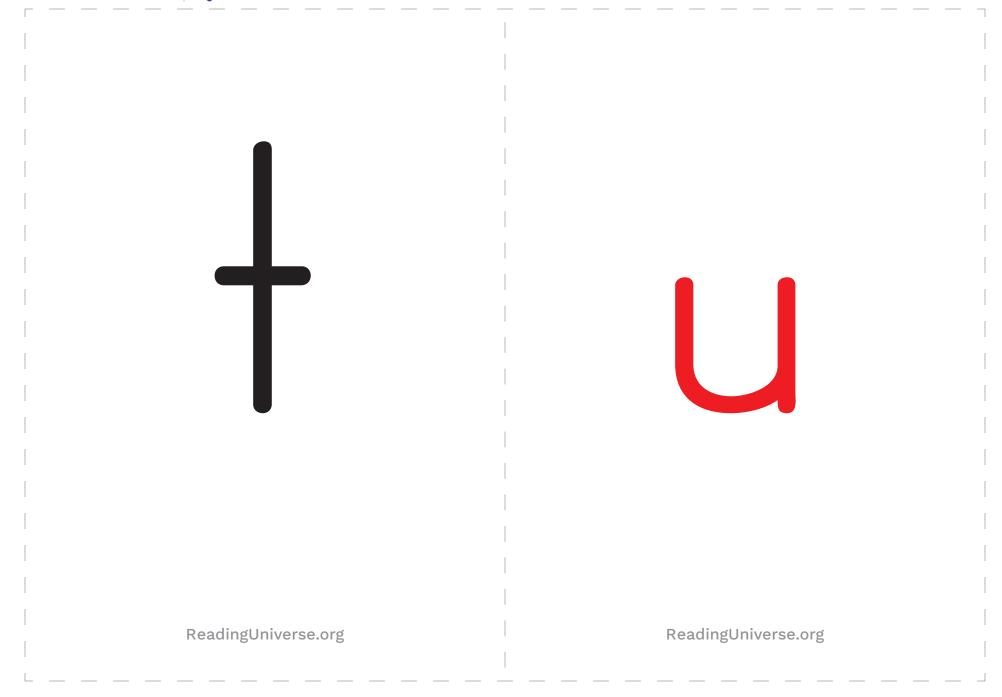
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