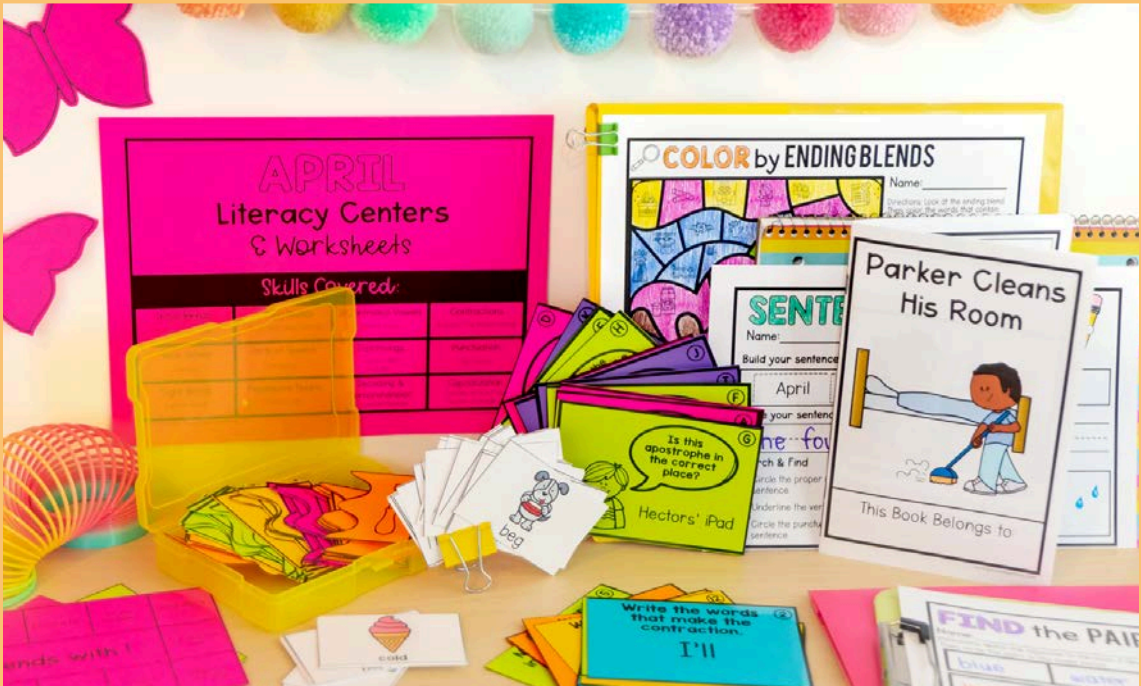


# April Literacy Activities

## FIRST GRADE SKILLS & STANDARDS



6 Centers • 6 Worksheets • Decodable Reader

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## What's Included in this Resource

- 1 6 Center Activities (with recording pages)
- 2 6 Sets of Worksheets
- 3 Decodable Reader with 3 levels
- 4 Decodable Passage (with comprehension questions)
- 5 Differentiated materials to meet the needs of all students

Everything you need to teach literacy skills in April!

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## What's Included in this Resource

### Scope & Sequence



### 6 Sets of Worksheets



### 6 Centers



### Decodable Readers



### Comprehension Passages



Differentiated  
materials for all  
activities!

# April Literacy Activities

## Has What Teachers Need

- This ONE resource is all you need to teach a month of literacy.
- Use the centers, worksheets, and decodable reader to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of all students.
- It covers ELA standards and skills that First Grade students need to learn and follows SOR best practices.
- Make phonics and grammar FUN with a variety of activities.
- It saves you time as the materials, activities, and worksheets are ready for you! Simply print & go!
- Keep kids engaged and help them build important ELA, phonics, grammar skills, and reading fluency with the included decodable reader!



# These Literacy Activities are great for...

- ♥ Reader's Workshop
- ♥ Literacy centers
- ♥ Small group instruction
- ♥ Partner activities
- ♥ Independent worktime
- ♥ Extra practice
- ♥ Morning work
- ♥ Early finishers
- ♥ Sub-plans
- ♥ Home practice

**CLIP the PUNCTUATION** RECORDING SHEET

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Clip the cards. Then, write the sentences you clipped.

	!	?
The sun is shining	It's my birthday!	Who are you?
I have a ball.	You are happy	What day is it?
The dog can run	Grass is green	Where is the dog?
Are you happy?	I love candy	You are happy

**ends with !**

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you are happy

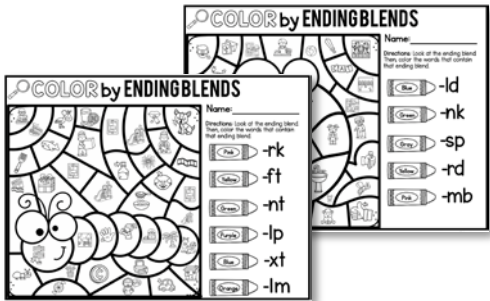
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# April Worksheets

## Color By Ending Blends

Kids will enjoy coloring these fun Earth Day/spring mystery pictures that are revealed as they color. They will look at the picture and color each space to correspond to the vowel team.



**DIPHTHONG Find & Color**  
 Find and color all the pictures that have an OI sound

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Diphthong Find & Color

Use these worksheets to practice identifying words with different diphthongs. Students will love looking through a page of fun pictures to find the pictures that match the given category!

## Sentence Work

These worksheets provide two ways for kids to practice sentence structure: sentence building and sentence practice. For April, the focus is on proper nouns, adverbs, and adjectives.

**SENTENCE Building**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Build your sentence.

Write your sentence.

Search & Find

Circle the proper nouns in the sentence.

Underline the verbs in the sentence.

Circle the punctuation in the sentence.

have school on no

**SENTENCE Practice**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

She has piano on monday.

My birthday is in june.

We have gym class on tuesday.

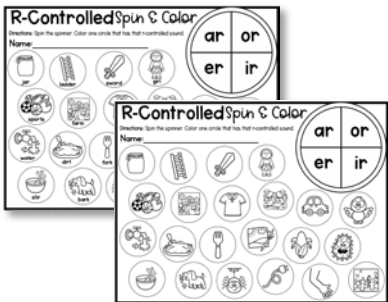
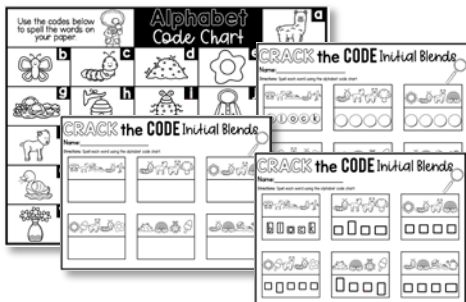
My grandma is coming in may.

He goes to the park on sunday.

# April Worksheets

## Crack The Code

Kids will love using their Spring Code Chart to crack the code for the mystery words with initial blends. The recording sheet is provided at three levels to support all students!

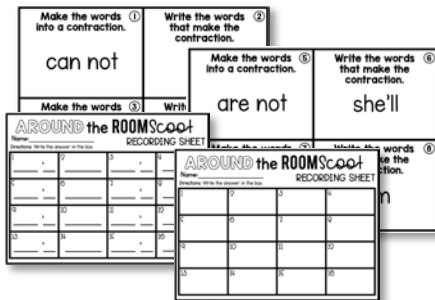


## R-Controlled Spin & Color

Kids will spin the spinner and find a picture that matches the given r-controlled vowel. Great for literacy centers, word work, or small groups. Multiple versions make differentiation a breeze!

## Around The Room Scoot

Get students out of their chairs and moving around the room as they search for cards and practice creating and breaking apart contractions. Differentiated recording sheets are provided!



# April Centers

## Verb Tense Vowel Sort

Print, cut, and laminate these cards, then let students practice sorting by verb tense. Then, have them record their answers on the form.

Sorting cards for Verb Tense Vowel Sort:

dug	begged	Past Tense
dig	beg	Present Tense

Recording sheet:

SORT the VERB TENSES RECORDING SHEET		
past	present	future

Matching cards for Match The Parts of Speech:

ice cream	sticky	tape
happy	blue	water
min	bus	yellow
	lime	cool

Recording sheet:

FIND the PAIR RECORDING SHEET	
Name: _____	
Directions: Write the adjective to the noun in the box.	
Write the words in the boxes.	

## Match The Parts of Speech

Kids match the adjective to the nouns for this center. This could also be played as memory or Go Fish! After all pairs are made, students record their answers. Differentiated cards included.

## OO Words Puzzles

Students piece together puzzles to build words with OO. Once all puzzles are completed, they fill in the recording form with the words.

Puzzles for OO Words:

- Word 1: b oo k (with book icon)
- Word 2: h oo d (with hooded figure icon)
- Word 3: c oo k (with cooking icon)
- Word 4: v oo d (with wood icon)

Recording sheet:

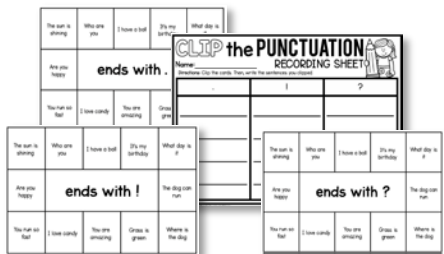
SOLVE the PUZZLES RECORDING SHEET	
Name: _____	
Directions: Solve the puzzles. Write the answers in the box.	



# April Centers

## Punctuation Clip Cards

Kids clip all the sentences that need the given punctuation. Once they are done clipping the cards, they record their answers on one of the differentiated recording sheets.



**BUILD the SIGHT words**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Trace It	Write It	Circle the	Draw It
into		time	
find		Trace It	
these		time	
first		Write It	
use		Build It	
who			
part			

## Build The Sight Words

Kids will love this hands-on building center where they trace, write, and build sight words. Building materials could include tiles, magnets, play doh, or any other classroom materials!

## Possessive Noun Task Cards

These task cards are the perfect way to practice possessive nouns. Kids work through the cards and fill out their answers.

**Possessive Noun TASK CARDS**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Add an apostrophe to make the noun possessive. Mary's shoes

2. Is this apostrophe in the correct place? Kim's teacher

3. Circle the possessive that makes the most sense. Mary's shoes / Kim's teacher

4. Add an apostrophe to make the noun possessive. Kim's teacher

5. Circle the phrases with the correct apostrophe placement. Mary's shoes / Kim's teacher

6. Write the name of the person or animal. Kim's teacher

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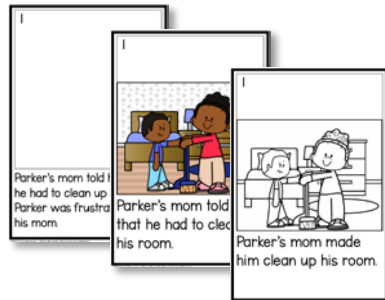
8. Write the name of the person or animal. Kim's teacher

# April Literacy Activities

## Decodable Reader

Kids practice decoding words with CVCe words, vowel teams, r-controlled vowels and reading sight words in the decodable reader (3 levels included).

There are 3 versions provided for each level: one with black and white illustrations, one with color, and one with just text so students can add their own illustrations.



**READING passage**  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ **Write Comprehension Questions**  
Directions: Read the passage three times. Then, answer the questions.

**Parker Cleans His Room**

Parker's mom made him clean up his room. First, Parker found an old sandwich under his bed. Next, Parker found a book behind his drawers. Parker found his toy dinosaur on the bookshelf. Parker swept the floor with a broom. He washed the floor with soap and water. "I did it!" Parker said. He was all done. Then, Parker's mom opened his closet. Oh no!

**READING passage**  
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**Parker Cleans His Room**

Parker's mom told him that he had to clean up his room. First, Parker looked under his bed. He found an old sandwich. Next, Parker looked behind his drawers. He found a cool book. Parker looked on top of his bookshelf. He found his toy dinosaur. After that, Parker grabbed a big broom. He swept the floor. Then he washed the floor with soap and water to clean it. "I did it!" Parker said. He felt proud of himself for cleaning up. Then, Parker's mom opened his closet. Toys came falling out. Parker had to start all over again. He was not happy!

**Questions**

Who is the main character in the story?	Draw a picture of Parker cleaning his room.
What is Parker doing?	

## Decodable Passages

These passages are a great way to assess reading fluency. After reading the story, students will complete a series of comprehension questions. Three levels of text are provided with two levels of comprehension questions for each text.

# First Grade Literacy Activities

## August

Beginning Sounds  
Medial Sounds  
Ending Sounds  
CVC Words  
ABC Order  
Syllables  
Sight Words  
Sentences  
Rhyming  
Segmentation  
Onset-Rime

## September

Beginning Sounds  
Medial Sounds  
Ending Sounds  
CVC Words  
Short Vowels  
Digraph CH  
Sight Words  
Syllables  
Capitalization  
Sequencing

## October

CVC Words  
Digraph SH  
Long Vowels (separated)  
Long Vowels (mixed)  
Sight Words  
Punctuation  
Prepositions  
Root Words

## November

Short vs. Long Vowels  
CCVC Words  
CVCe (long a)  
Segmentation  
S Blends  
R Blends  
L Blends  
Digraph TH  
Sentence Writing  
Nouns  
Sight Words

## December

Ending Blends  
CVCe (long e)  
CVCe (long i)  
Digraphs WH & PH  
Verbs  
Soft C & G  
Commas  
Types of Sentences  
Sight Words  
Syllables  
Root Words

## January

3-Letter Blends  
R-Controlled Vowels  
Commas  
Soft C & Soft G  
CVCe Review  
Double Consonants  
Parts of Speech  
Common vs. Proper Nouns  
-CK Digraph  
Contractions  
Y Sounds

## February

CVCe Review  
Antonyms  
R-Controlled Vowels  
Vowel Teams  
TH & WH Digraphs  
Compound Words  
Parts of Speech  
Phoneme Substitution  
Onset/Rhyme  
Sentence Extending

## March

Vowel Teams  
R-Controlled Vowels  
Plurals  
CVCe Words  
Contractions  
Initial Blends  
Sight Words  
Conjunctions  
Affixes  
Sentence Structure

## April

Initial Blends  
Verb Tenses  
Sight Words  
Ending Blends  
Parts of Speech  
Diphthongs  
Contractions  
Punctuation  
Possessive Nouns  
R-Controlled Vowels  
Decoding/Comprehension

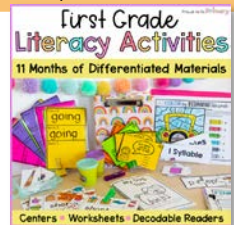
## May

Vowel Teams  
Verbs  
Digraphs/Diphthongs  
Sight Words  
Multisyllabic Words  
Parts Of A Sentence  
Compound Words  
Inflectional Endings  
Punctuation  
Word Families

## June

Digraphs/Diphthongs  
Silent Letters  
Possessives  
Short & Long Vowels  
Capitalization & Punctuation  
Sentence Writing  
Pronouns  
Sight Words  
Segmentation  
Word Families  
Vowel Teams

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