

Jip Digs



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BEFORE YOU READ:

(All Alphabet and SnapWords® resources are available at child1st.com.)

1. Review all the sight words learned to this point.
2. New sight words: “ran,” “have,” and “make.” Generate a word family together for “make.” Possible words: cake, take, bake, rake, stake, lake, flake. Following is a little activity to help the child remember the vowel-E rule (Pinchy E). Draw four stick figures and assign one letter to each, or if you have four children available, line them up and assign one letter to each child. The first stick figure or child will say the sound for M, the second will be assigned the long sound of A, the third will say the sound for K, and the final stick figure or child will be called the Pinchy E. He does not have a sound, but just as the A is ready to sound, he reaches around the K to pinch her so that she says the long A sound instead of the short A sound. The point of this little skit is to enforce the idea that although the E does not have a sound of its own, it does help the first vowel say a different sound from what it would say if the E were not present.
3. You may create a word family for “ran” if you wish.
4. When you introduce “have,” draw a little curve under the letters V and E. Share with the child that they go together in saying the V sound. In this case, the E is not pinching the vowel. Other words that follow this pattern of the E being nice and not pinching include “give” and “live” (as in “I live in this house”).

READ:

1. Jip Digs and dictate short sentences from the book for the child to write.

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES:

See comprehension questions on page 12.

SOUNDS & SIGHT WORDS LEARNED TO DATE:

Sounds: a, t, f, c, s, o, p, m, d, h, g, l, i, b, j, w, r, y, u.

Sight words: A, AT, ON, BY, IN, ME, NO, NOT, THE, AND, GO, IS, IT, SIT, TO, UP, OR, DO, HE, HELP, I, MY, SEE, NOW, OUT, SO, BIG, HAS, WILL, CAN, LIKE, STOP, BUT, DOWN, GET, PLAY, SAID, WE, COME, DID, HERE, LITTLE, WANT, YOU, CALL, FOR, LOOK, THIS, HAVE, MAKE, RAN.



My dog is Jip. Jip likes to dig.
He likes to dig and dig.