



Why Word Searcher?

Research has shown that repetition is essential for the brain to learn and recall information. The engaging puzzles in this book will provide your child with repeated practice of grade level-appropriate vocabulary. Becoming fluent, or automatic, with these words helps develop reading fluency and build a strong foundation in reading comprehension, an important skill for academic success. In addition, solving word search puzzles provides fun spelling practice. The word searches begin in lowercase letters and progress to uppercase in preparation for the second grade puzzles.

Upon your child's completion of each activity, use the provided incentive chart and stickers to track progress and celebrate your child's success.

SKILLS

- Visual discrimination
- Matching
- Word recognition
- Letter/sound knowledge
- Phonics
- Rhyme
- Opposites
- Sight words
- Compound words
- Content vocabulary

HOW YOU CAN HELP SUPPORT LEARNING

- Have your child tell you the meaning of the words.
- Help your child use a dictionary to look up the meaning of unfamiliar words.
- Challenge your child to use each word in a sentence.

Support your child in using the following strategies to complete the word searches:

- Use a finger or the eraser end of a pencil to guide the search for words.
- Scan back and forth along each row (or up and down each column) to look for the first letter in each word.
- Search for less common letters in a word, such as *J, B, K, Q, X, Y, or Z*, to make the rest of the word easier to find.
- Cross off the words in the Word Box as they are found.



Fairy-Tale Friends

Find and circle the words from the Word Box.

Word
Box

king

queen

prince

princess

dragon

hero

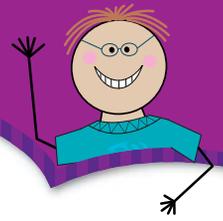
magic

palace



b	u	o	t	p	o	z	n	e	a
g	p	r	i	n	c	e	s	s	t
c	a	k	p	l	y	m	m	r	w
d	l	q	z	p	q	n	d	g	f
r	a	l	h	e	r	o	y	r	k
a	c	z	p	q	j	v	n	i	i
g	e	g	t	a	q	u	e	e	n
o	f	y	e	f	c	g	j	m	g
n	m	a	g	i	c	e	d	v	t
r	w	w	c	p	r	i	n	c	e





At the Ball Game

Find and circle the words from the Word Box.

Word
Box

catch

ball

umpire

score

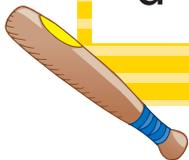
helmet

base

batter

mitt

e a v l n y p h v u
u i y m h v b i o b
m x o s e b a l l a
p v r r l l t y a s
i a t n m e t t z e
r c z b e x e x w r
e a a l t k r f j m
v t s c o r e f k b
t c b i l e i g d f
d h b u m i t t n f





Set the Table

Find and circle the words from the Word Box.

Word
Box

knife

fork

spoon

glass

dish

breakfast

lunch

dinner

a r b u s p o o n a
a h r o t g e g n b
e k e g v d d z d d
g l a s s i w z c i
l q k c p s k c k n
l n f v a h i f m n
u z a g x k n i f e
n f s p t h y b k r
c v t m f o r k t f
h t d k m m t b h p





Noisy Animals

Find and circle the words from the Word Box.



roar

hoot

honk

moo

meow

quack

oink

gobble



q	s	v	y	s	m	v	h	t	h
t	b	w	z	j	d	c	i	i	o
d	m	k	r	o	a	r	p	t	n
s	o	d	i	o	n	y	n	h	k
m	o	v	e	y	r	u	g	o	g
e	h	g	o	b	b	l	e	o	v
o	g	h	v	w	k	p	o	t	k
w	s	c	r	o	i	n	k	y	f
m	m	p	e	u	l	r	r	r	p
i	m	n	w	e	q	u	a	c	k

