

Really Good Stuff® Teaching Guide

Let's Go Fishing: CVC Words

Congratulations on your purchase of the Really Good Stuff **Let's Go Fishing: CVC Words**, a fun, hands-on activity to help your students learn and master important CVC words.

This Really Good Stuff product includes:

- 125 Magnetic Sight Word Fish
- 2 Fishing Poles with Magnet
- 1 Fishing Pond Mat
- 1 Storage Bag
- This Really Good Stuff Teaching Guide

Meeting Common Core State Standards

This Really Good Stuff **Let's Go Fishing: CVC Words** is aligned with the following Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts:

Foundational Skills: Phonics and Word Recognition

FS.1.1b. Decode regularly spelled one-syllable words.

Let's Go Fishing is an engaging, simple game that yields big educational benefits. The words on these fish are single-syllable short vowel words, all with the same pattern: consonant-vowel-consonant (commonly referred to as CVC words). Recognizing this short vowel pattern is a fundamental building block of early reading skills. Seeing the single vowel located between two consonants unlocks the short vowel sound. Automatically recognizing this pattern is achieved through regular practice both in and out of context.

Other games and activities teach these CVC words in the context of word families. In those games young learners take advantage of learning CVC words (like, “cat”) and then using the vowel and ending consonant (rime) to decode other words in the same family (“bat,” “hat,” etc.). **Let's Go Fishing: CVC Words** is best played after students have had time to study these word families because they will be “fishing” for CVC words in mixed order, which is a new challenge.

The fish are color-coded by vowel (25 words per vowel), so you could, if you choose, start your emergent readers with one or two vowel sounds. If you do so, be sure not to mix short -a and short -e or short -e and short -i, as these sounds students most easily confuse.

You will notice on the *Fishing Pond Mat* that there are five buckets on each side of the pond for the students to place their fish in vowel categories, after they have ‘caught’ them.

Managing Fishing for CVC Words

- Should you need this or any other Really Good Stuff Teaching Guides, download them from our Web site at www.reallygoodstuff.com.
- Keep your color-coded sets of 25 fish in separate baggies, labeled a, e, i, o, and u.
- Store entire activity in the storage bag.

Introducing the Activity

Gather the students around the *Fishing Pond Mat* on the floor. Place the 25 short -a fish on the pond, word-side down. Tell students you are going “fishing” for CVC words, and that as you catch each fish, you will read it aloud. It’s a “keeper” if you can read it correctly. Place your correctly read fish in one of the buckets and tell your students this is the “short -a” bucket and they will put all the CaC words in that bucket. If you do not read it correctly, toss it back into the pond. Model hooking two fish, reading one correctly and putting it in your bucket, and incorrectly reading the other, tossing it back word-side down. Tell students that when time is up, they will each read their fish to their partner.

Once students understand the game, it’s up to you how to control the number of fish. As stated above, for emergent readers one or two vowels are plenty. As your students gain confidence, add additional vowels to the game.

Children love the action of the game and truly enjoy just fishing the word out. If you would like to keep score, count the number of words in each player’s fishing buckets, and the one with the most words wins. You might consider using a timer to limit time on the game.

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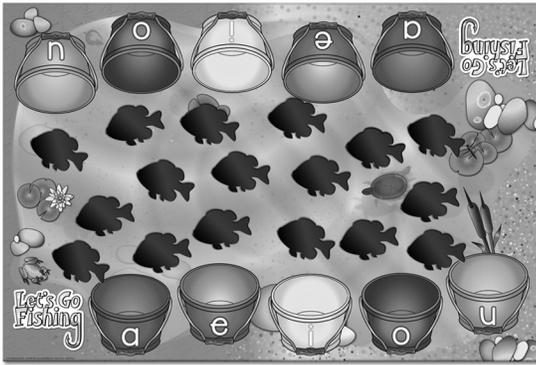
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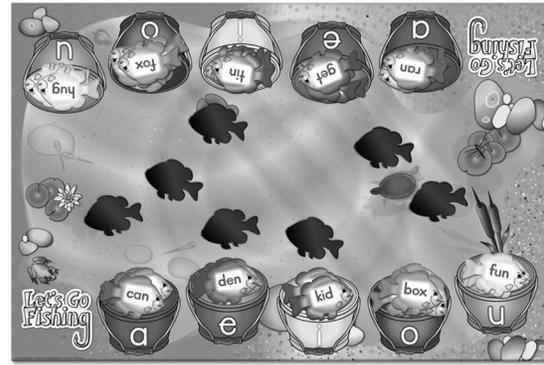
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Pond in starting position



Pond as it will look during play

CVC Words

Green Fish (CaC)	Purple Fish (CeC)	Blue Fish (CiC)	Orange Fish (CoC)	Yellow Fish (CuC)
bat	bed	bib	box	bug
can	beg	big	cob	bus
cap	bet	bit	cot	but
dad	den	did	dog	cub
fad	fed	dig	dot	cup
fan	get	fin	fog	cut
gas	hen	fix	fox	dud
ham	jet	him	got	dug
hat	leg	hit	hog	fun
jam	let	kid	hop	gum
lap	men	kit	hot	hug
mad	met	lid	jog	hut
map	net	lip	log	jug
nap	peg	mix	lot	mud
pad	pen	pin	mob	mug
pan	pet	pit	mom	nut
rag	red	rib	mop	pup
ran	set	rim	not	rub
sad	ten	rip	pod	rug
yam	vet	sip	pop	run
tag	web	sit	pot	sub
tap	wet	six	rod	sun
van	yes	tin	rot	tub
bad	yet	win	sob	tux
wag	wed	zip	top	yum