

## Blending

### Resources

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- Letter cards (cut out)
- Picture cards (cut out)

### Objective

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- To recognise individual letters and sounds and blend them to make new words.

### Instructions

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- Lay the letter cards in a row, ensuring that the children can see all letters.
- Lay the picture cards face down.
- Pull down letter cards to make vc and cvc words, encouraging children to say the sounds and blend them to read the words.
- Children will enjoy turning over picture cards to try and find the matching picture.

### Extension

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- Use the letter cards to make 'nonsense' words.
- Children have all picture cards and use them to play 'bingo'.

### Taking it further

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- Laminate the cards and use them as an enhancement to the Reading Area.
- Model using the cards to parents, explaining the importance of developing blending skills. Send sets of cards home for children to play with their families.

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