

Word Chains: Segmenting Skills focusing on consonant differentiation

WORD CHAIN USING LETTERS (PROVIDE THE TARGET WORD)

Have an array of magnetic letters. Include digraphs as bonded units e.g. 'sh' or 'ng'. Build the first word for the child. Then ask them to change the word to make the next word on the list by only changing one letter/digraph. Repeat for each word on the list. The lists focus those sounds with similar articulation which children often struggle to differentiate.

	/sh/ Contrasts	/th/ Contrasts	/ng/ Contrasts	Initial Blends /dr/&/tr/	Initial Blends /cr/&/cl/
1	win	hip	bag	in	lap
2	wi <u>sh</u>	<u>sh</u> ip	ba <u>ng</u>	tin	lamp
3	fi <u>sh</u>	<u>ch</u> ip	ban	twin	clamp
4	fin	<u>ch</u> in	fan	twit	clam
5	sin	fin	fa <u>ng</u>	twig	cram
6	<u>sh</u> in	<u>th</u> in	ga <u>ng</u>	wig	cra <u>sh</u>
7	<u>th</u> in	<u>th</u> is	gag	rig	cla <u>sh</u>
8	tin	his	hag	rip	cash
9	din	him	ha <u>ng</u>	trip	cat
10	di <u>sh</u>	hem	hu <u>ng</u>	trap	cot
11	da <u>sh</u>	<u>th</u> em	hug	tram	clot
12	ma <u>sh</u>	<u>th</u> en	lug	tramp	clog
13	map	<u>th</u> an	lu <u>ng</u>	ramp	clod
14	gap	van	lo <u>ng</u>	ra <u>p</u>	clop
15	ga <u>sh</u>	fan	so <u>ng</u>	rum	crop
16	ash	fat	si <u>ng</u>	drum	сор
17	at	<u>th</u> at	wi <u>ng</u>	drug	con
18	hat	vat	ri <u>ng</u>	drag	can
19	hut	vet	ki <u>ng</u>	drat	ran
20	<u>sh</u> ut	vest	kin	rat	rank
21	<u>sh</u> ot	west	pin	rot	crank
22	hot	wet	ping	trot	clank
23	hit	wit	po <u>ng</u>	trod	lank
24	hop	win	pa <u>ng</u>	rod	link
25	<u>sh</u> op	wi <u>th</u>	pan	red	clink