



Let's Deal!

(Alphabetizing Flash Cards)



Why?

- Practice alphabetizing sight words using commercial flash cards
- Extra daily exposure to sight words/pictures
- Differentiated instruction for first and second graders
- Develops an awareness of alphabetical order
- Prepares students for using the dictionary
- Flexible practice on the desktop or as a floor activity
- Develops proficiency and speed in alphabetizing words

How?

- Purchase multiple sets of commercial sight word flash cards with pictures on one side and the word on the other. Laminate for durability.
- Sort, separate and store flash cards in numbered envelopes in three groups: early, emergent, and transitional/fluent (10 words). Raise the bar for capable students by giving them several words to alphabetize to the second and third letter. Struggling readers/writers should start with 5 word cards each day (all beginning with a different letter).
- Record keeping is easy. Copy a class/group list and attach it to the front of the numbered envelope. Students may check or circle their name upon completion.
- Encourage students to check their work by referring to an alphabet chart or have a parent volunteer or buddy check their work before they record it.
- Options: sort word cards in labeled tins or place in a pocket chart for quick and easy spot checking by the teacher.

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