**Word Study Workstations Ideas**

**Name of Workstations Description**

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| Word Family Gingerbread Cookies  | Write words on paper gingerbread cookies. Use plates to write the word families. Students sort the cookies onto the correct word family plates and then write the words. |
| Pancakes | Use oak tag circles. On one side glue the pictures. On the backside, write the beginning sound. Students look at picture and decide the beginning sound. To check their answer, they flip the pancake using a spatula |
| Clothespin Spelling Game | Write words on the end of tongue depressors. Write letters on clothes pins. The students attach the clothes pins in the correct order onto the tongue depressor to spell the word. |
| Cube Game | Students roll the word family cube and another cube with a beginning letter on each side. Blend the 2 together to if it makes a real word. Could also write down a list of real/nonsense words. |
| Beginning Sounds Match | Put pictures on the left side of a cookie sheet. Use magnetic letters to match beginning sound with the picture. You can also have them spell the word. |
| Rice With Words | Fill pop bottle with rice or craft pompoms. Put color/number words, sight words or student names in the bottle. Students shake the bottle and then record the words they see. |
| Egg Sentence | Tape a short sentence inside a plastic egg. Put letter tiles together to spell out the sentence. Student arranges the sentence then writes it.  |
| Building Words | CVC pictures on one side of a cookie sheet. Build word with magnetic letters or wiki sticks. |
| Garden Glove CVC Words | Cut the tips of the fingers off garden gloves. Students arrange the letters to make CVC words. |
| Building Students Names | Put student’s picture and name on a sentence strip. Students use magnetic letters to make the name. |
| CVC Vests | Students wear vests to make CVC words. Substitute beginning or ending sounds/letters. |
| Digraphs and Word Families | Write digraphs on tiles and write word families on a sentence strip. Put digraph tile in front of the word family to create word. Write the new word on a piece of paper. |
| Roadways | Take a toy car and “drive” it over letters saying their sounds. The second time the car “drives” the student says the word. |
| Build It… Read it | Have a set word family. Build words with wooden letters that include that word family. Write the word on paper. |
| Magnetic Letters | Build word families with magnetic letters. |
| Beginning, Middle and End | Use 3 spinners with beginning, middle and end sounds. Students spin each spinner to build a word. Record the word and circle if the word is real and underline the word if it is nonsense. |
| Letter Sound Sort | Use a dog dish with pictures (that have magnets on the back) beginning with 2 different sounds. Have a stuffed dog with a magnetic nose. Place a picture card on the dog’s nose and decide what the beginning sound is. |
| Lego Words | Use small Legos. Write one letter on each Lego. Build 2 or 3 letter words with the Legos.  |
| Clipped on Phonics | Use a painter’s stick with word family endings and clothespins with beginning letters. Students clip clothespins to paint stick to create word family words. Can do the same with matching uppercase and lowercase letters. |
| Word Family Game Board | Use a generic game board. Have a set word family before the game starts (example: -at). Each square the student lands on is a beginning sound. Say word to say in that spot. Example: If a student lands on R, the word is RAT.  |
| Short Vowels | Use cookie sheet. Take short vowel pictures onto a container of magnetic letters. Students will use the letters to make words. Match the pictures with the words. |
| Word Family Easter Eggs | Using Easter eggs, write the word family on the right side of the egg. On the left side, write letters that match up to make a word. Twist the left side of the egg to make a word. |
| Oreo Words | Write words on black circles with consonants written in white out. White circles with black vowels. Students make cookies and record the word. |
| Kites | On the kite, write a word family. The tail of the kite is the beginning letters to make the word. |
| Broken Heart | Match uppercase and lowercase letters.  |