

Notes for Parents

The Jolly Phonics Activity Books are designed as a fun and multi-sensory way to help young children become familiar with letter sounds and to begin reading and writing. Research shows that children who start school knowing all their letter sounds learn to read faster. These activity books can be used with the Jolly Stories and the Jolly Songs. Each sound is introduced with a short story for you to read to your child. Each sound is also accompanied by an action, which your child can do to help them remember the sound.

Letter Sounds

The sounds are grouped in the following way and should be learned in this order:

Book 1: s, a, t, i, p, n

Book 2: ck, e, h, r, m, d

Book 3: q, o, u, l, f, b

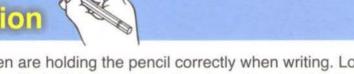
Book 4: ai, j, oa, ie, ee, or

Book 5: z, w, ng, v, 00, 00

Book 6: y, x, ch, sh, th, th

Book 7: qu, ou, oi, ue, er, ar

Letter Formation



You need to check that children are holding the pencil correctly when writing. Look at the diagram above and ensure that the pencil is held between the thumb and the first two fingers. Each letter has a correct starting point and this is indicated by a large dot. In this book there is letter formation practice on pages 3, 5, 6, 11, 13, 15, 21, 25, 29 and 32.

Blending for Reading

Once a group of sounds has been learned, children can start to look at letters, say the sounds and try to blend them together to make the word. Help your child develop this blending skill by pointing to each letter in a word, and saying its sound, for example, 's-u-n'. Once your child can hear the word when it is sounded out, they are ready to say the sounds themselves. Blending needs practice and can start as soon as the first group of sounds has been learned. In this book there is blending practice on pages 12, 17, 23, 31 and 35.

Identifying Sounds for Writing

Your child will need to identify the sounds in a word so as to be able to write that word. The first sound is easiest but your child will need to pick out the others too. Practice for this is on pages 5, 6, 9, 11, 15, 16, 21, 25, 27 and 29.

Tips for Parents



The lightbulb icon shows where to look for helpful tips and advice on how to use the activity books with your child. Sometimes there are suggestions for further activities you may want to try.

Revise your Sounds

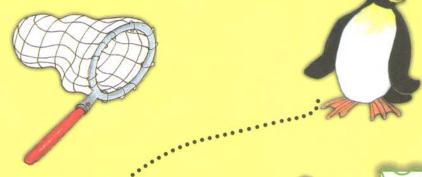
CAN YOU

Remember these sounds from Activity Book One?

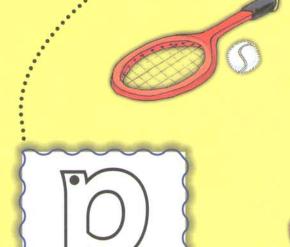


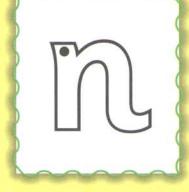
Write the letters and match the sounds to the pictures?



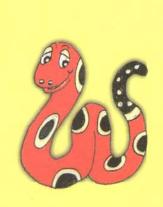


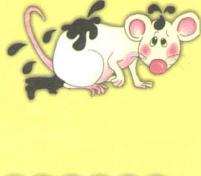










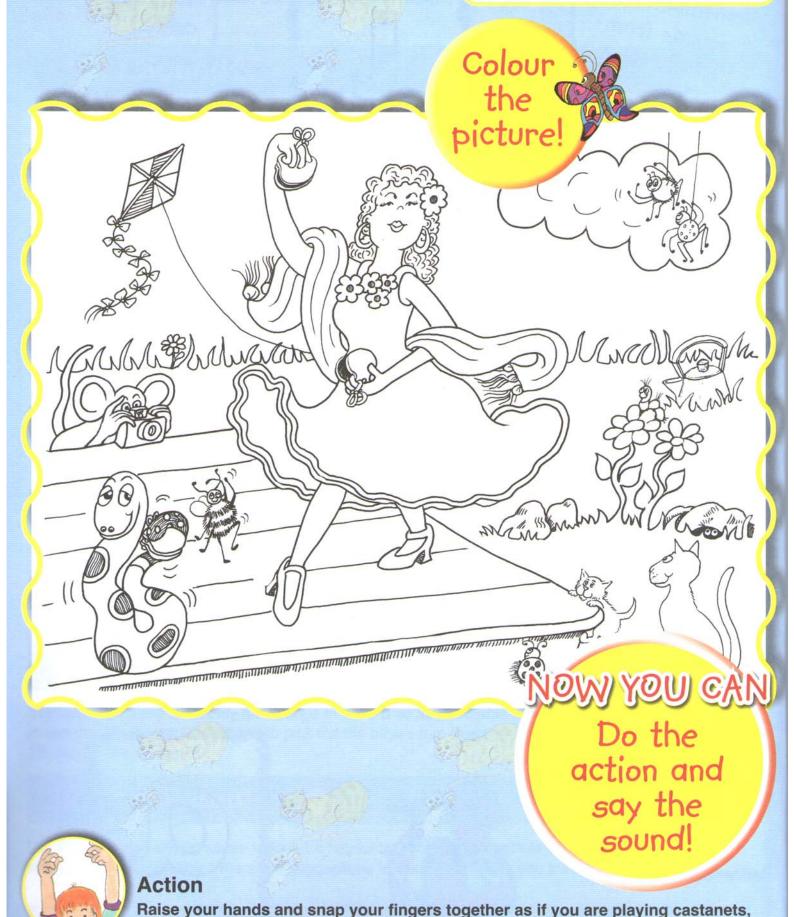




CcKk

and say Ck, Ck, Ck.

Inky, Bee and Snake went to the fair and saw some Spanish dancers. The ladies wore big colourful dresses and twirled round and round. They clicked castanets as they danced, 'ck, ck, ck'.



Which of these things begin with the sound 'c'?

Join them to the letter 'c'.



NOW YOU CAN
Write the letter.
Start at the top!
Try different
colours!

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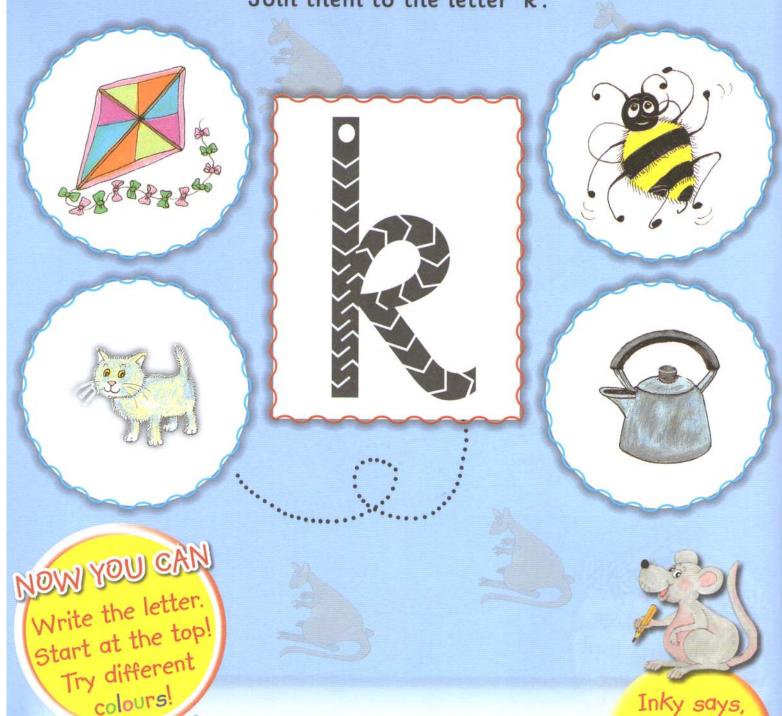
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"Hold your
pencil
correctly!"



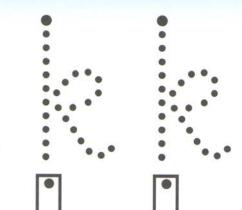
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Remember to call 'c' by its sound and not its name.
You can hear the letter sounds at www.jollylearning.com

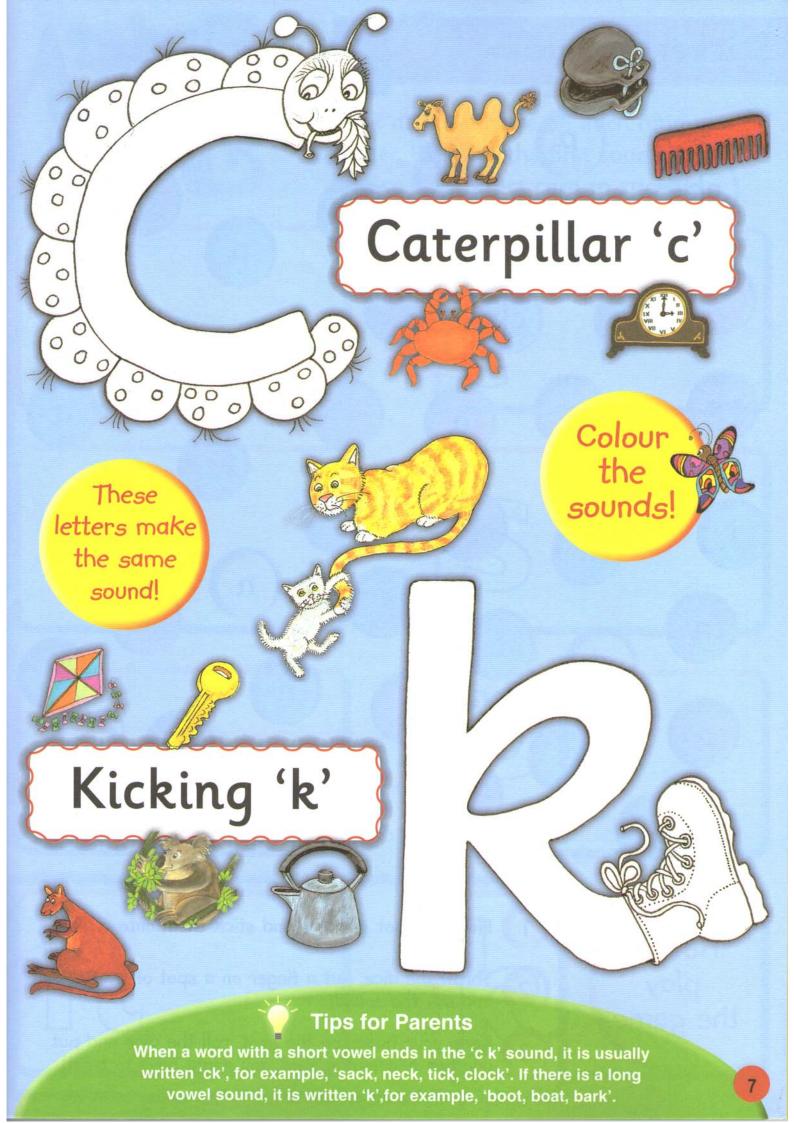
Which of these things begin with the sound 'k'? Join them to the letter 'k'.

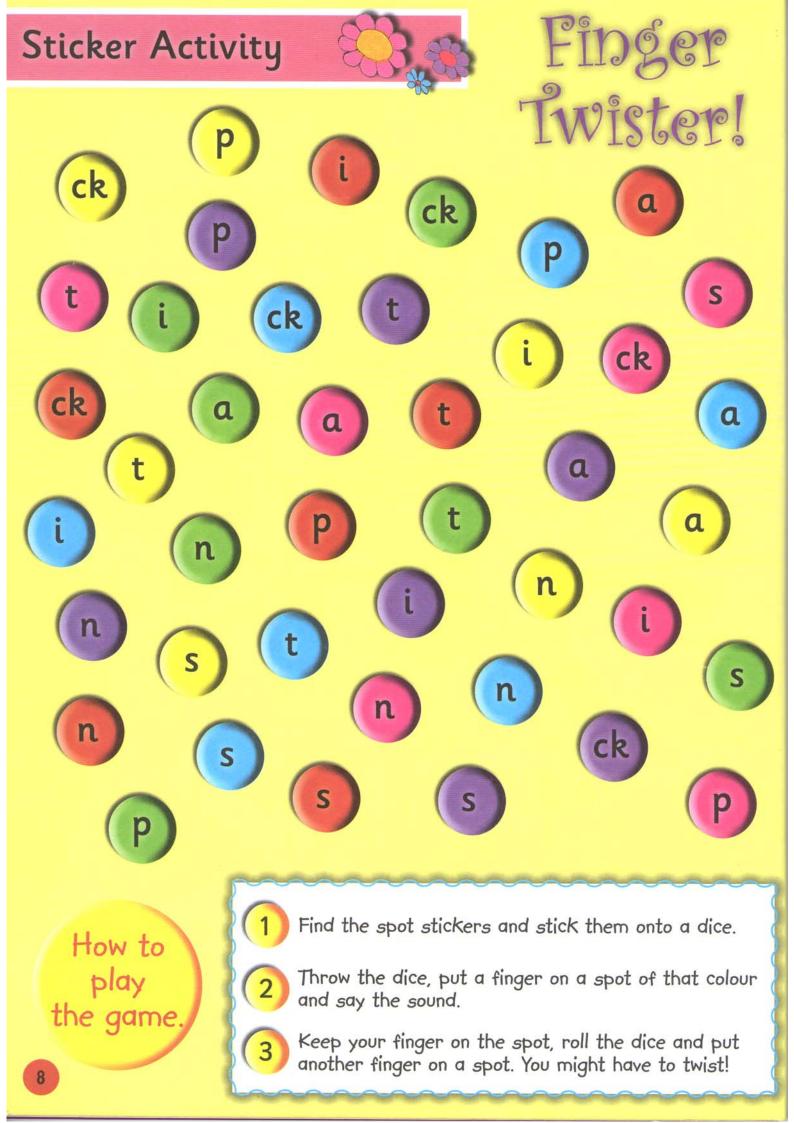


colours!



"Hold your pencil correctly!"



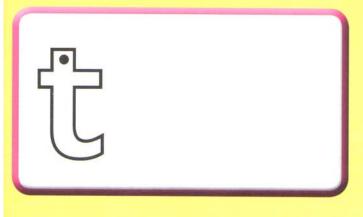






Sticker Activity

Look at the picture on each animal sticker, listen to the first sound and choose the correct card to stick it in.













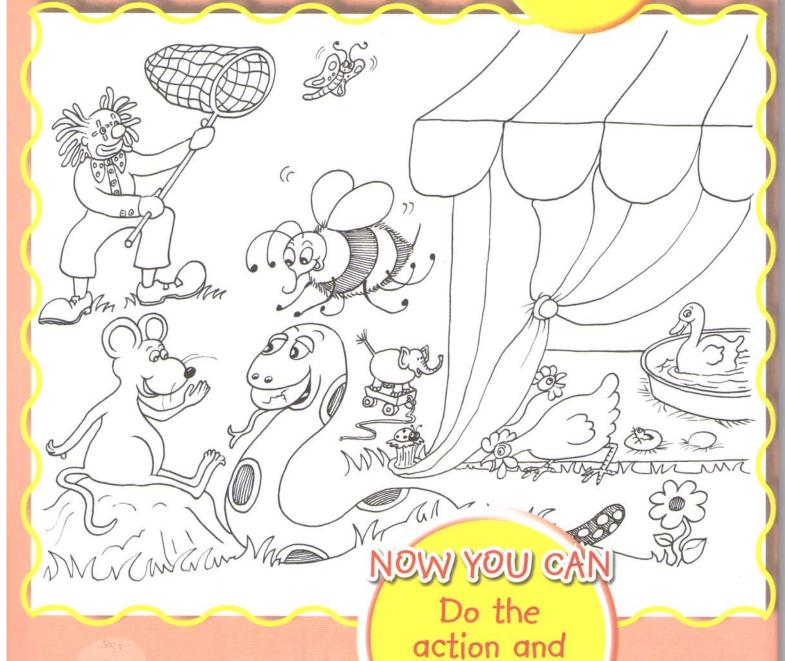




Inky and Bee find Snake behind the tent that has the ducks and chickens. He has found himself an egg, "e, e, e, egg," he hisses as he cracks it. "I love eggs," he smiles, licking his lips...

picture





Action

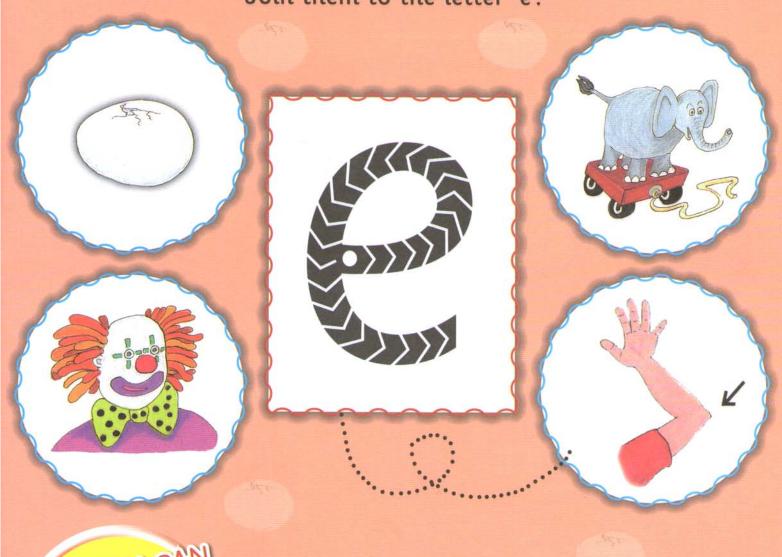
Pretend to tap an egg on the side of a pan and crack it into the pan, saying eh, eh, eh.

say the

sound!

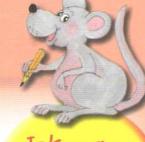
Which of these things begin with the sound 'e'?

Join them to the letter 'e'.



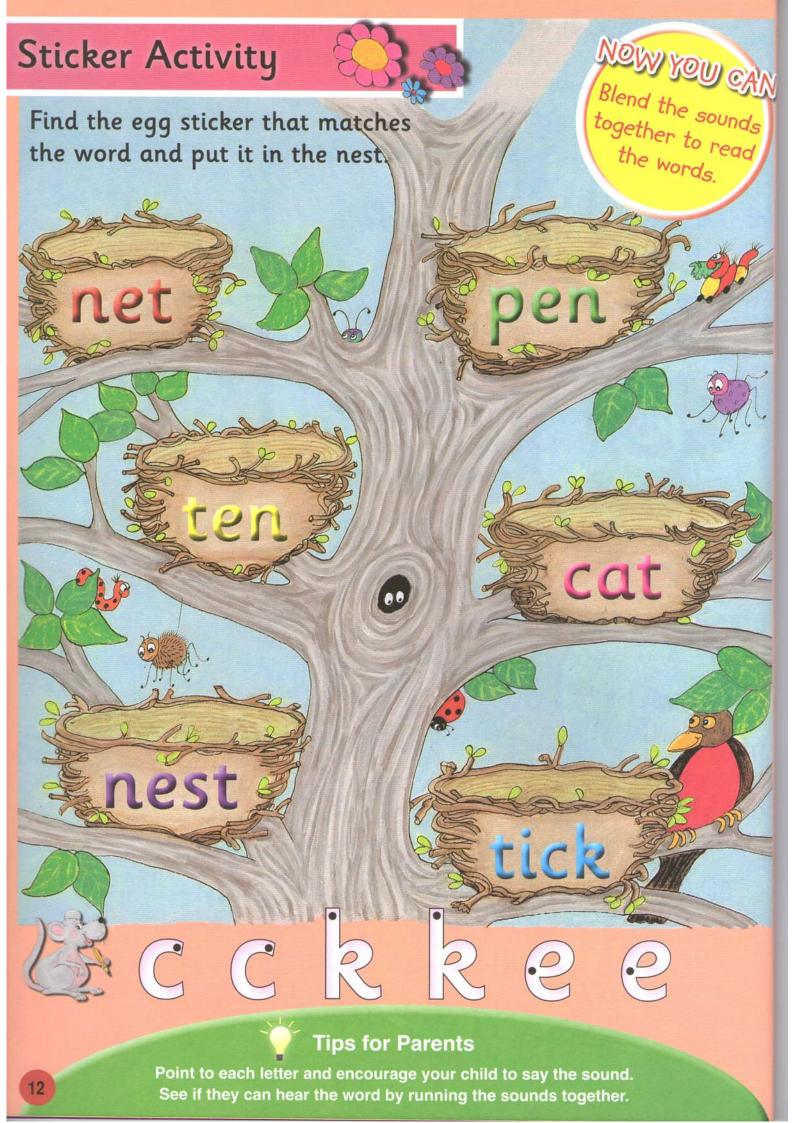
NOW YOU CAN
Write the letter.
Start on the big dot!
Try different
colours!

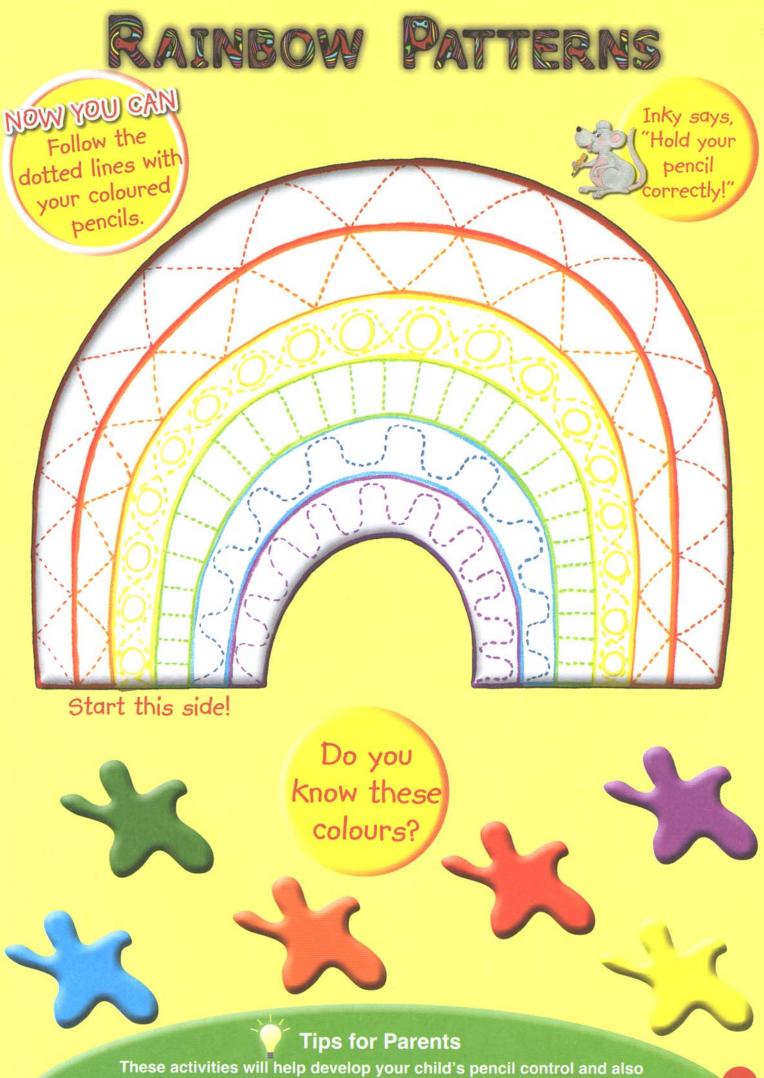




Inky says,
"You start
an 'e' in
the middle!"



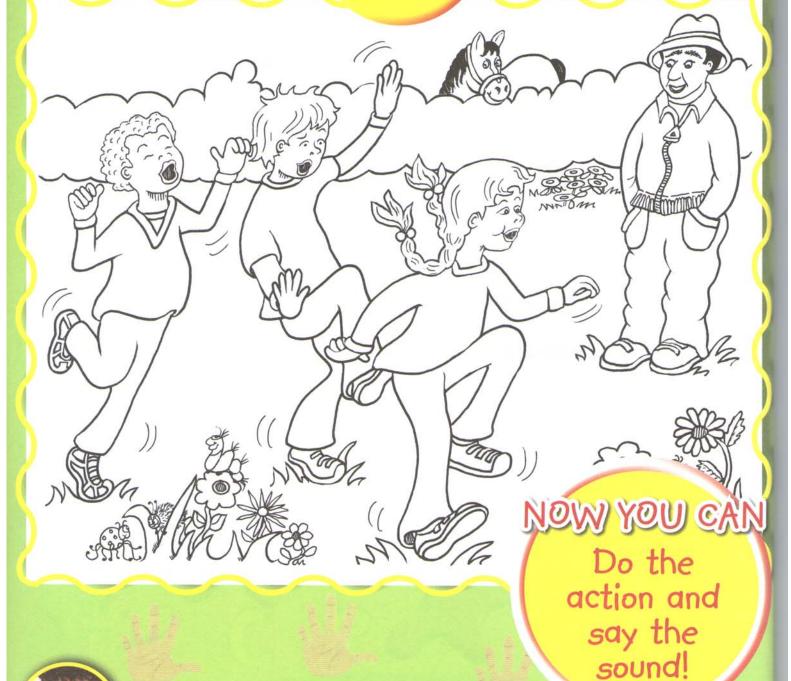




teach them to write from left to right.

Some children are having a hopping race. The crowd claps and cheers as they h, h, h, hop along as quickly as they can. They are all hot and huffing when they finish.

Colour the picture!



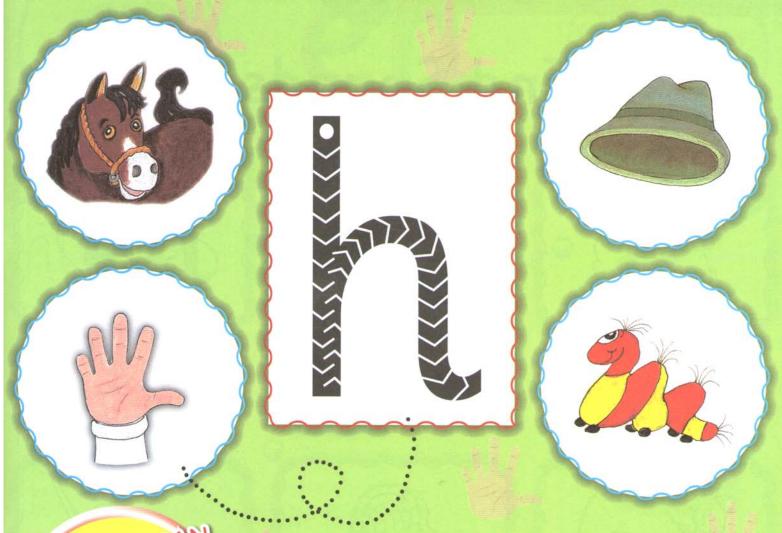


Action

Hold your hand in front of your mouth, panting as if you are out of breath and say h, h, h, h.

Which of these things begin with the sound 'h'?

Join them to the letter 'h'.



NOW YOU CAN

Write the letter.
Start at the top!
Try different
colours!



Inky says, "You write 'h' as a tall letter!"

hhhh

Sticker Activity

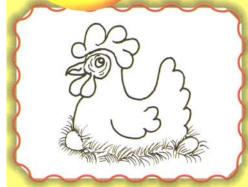


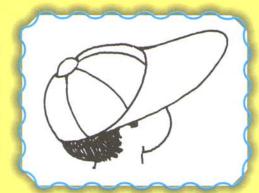
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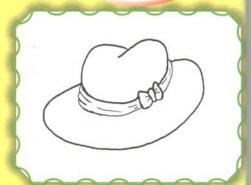
End Sounds

NOW YOU CAN

Find the letter sound stickers that end the words.



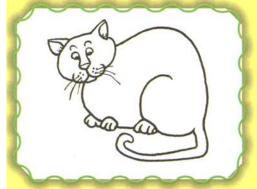




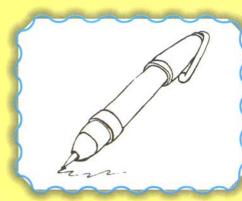












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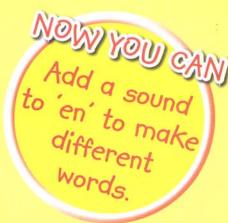


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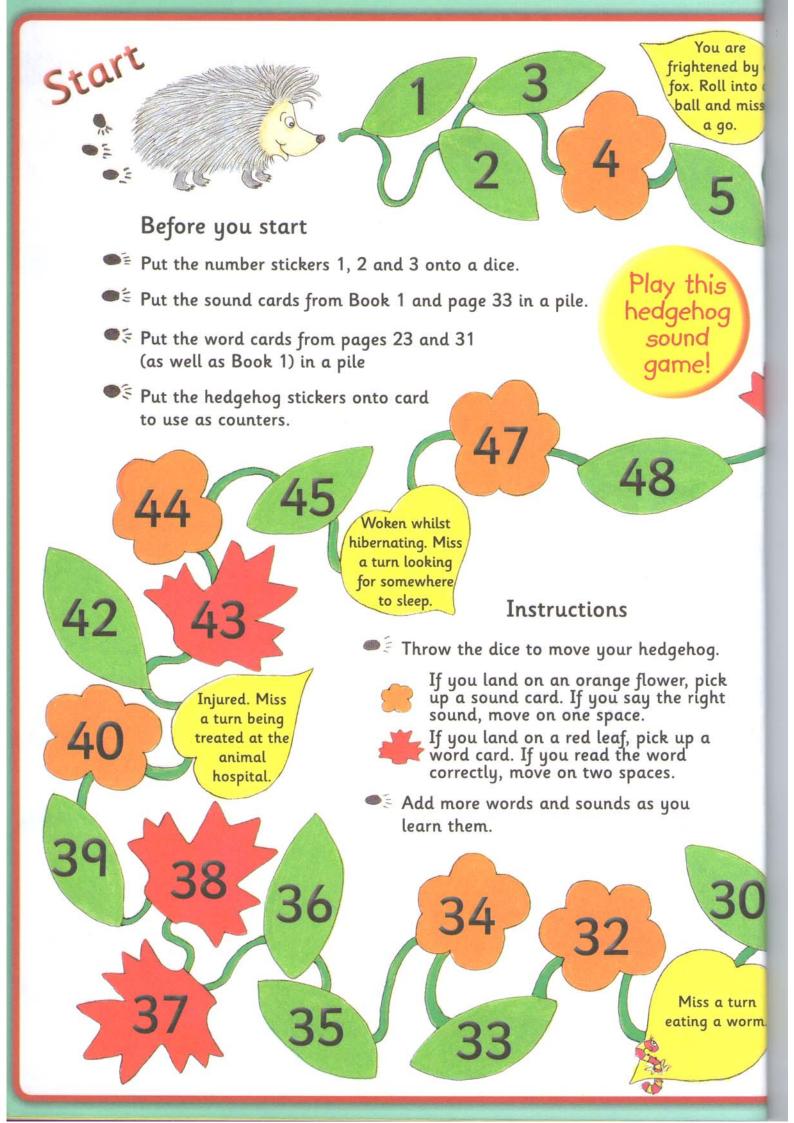
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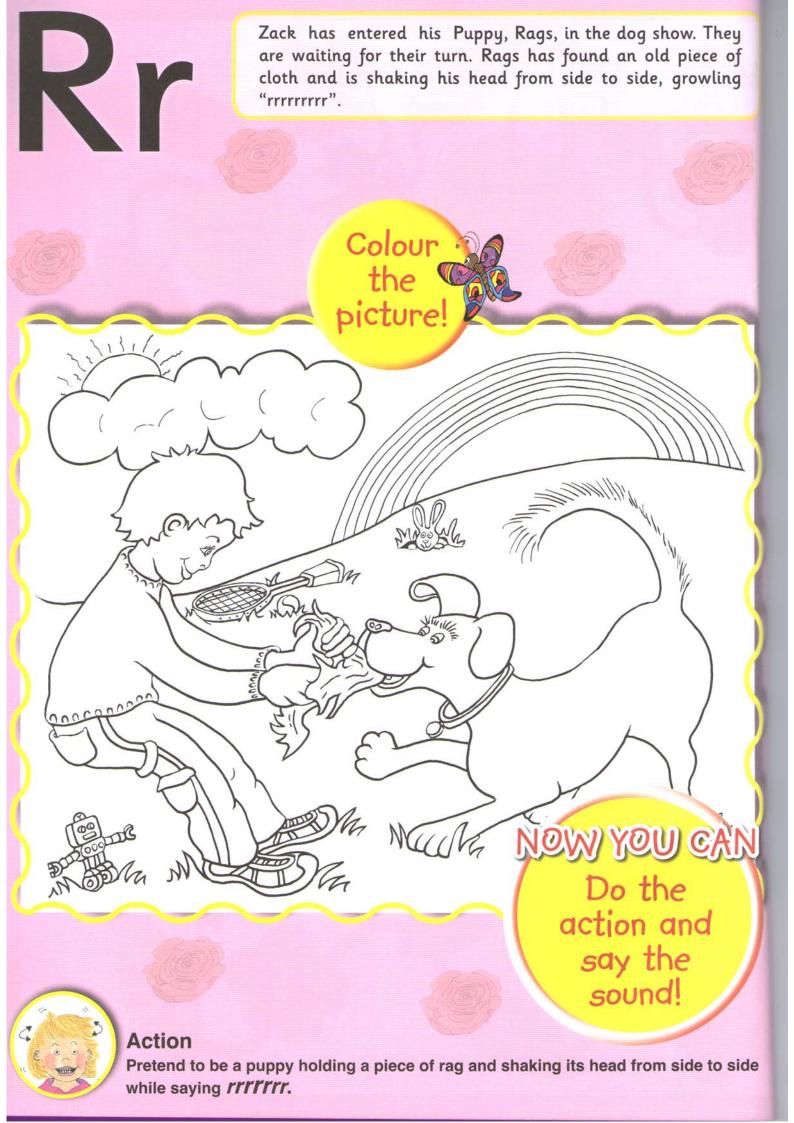


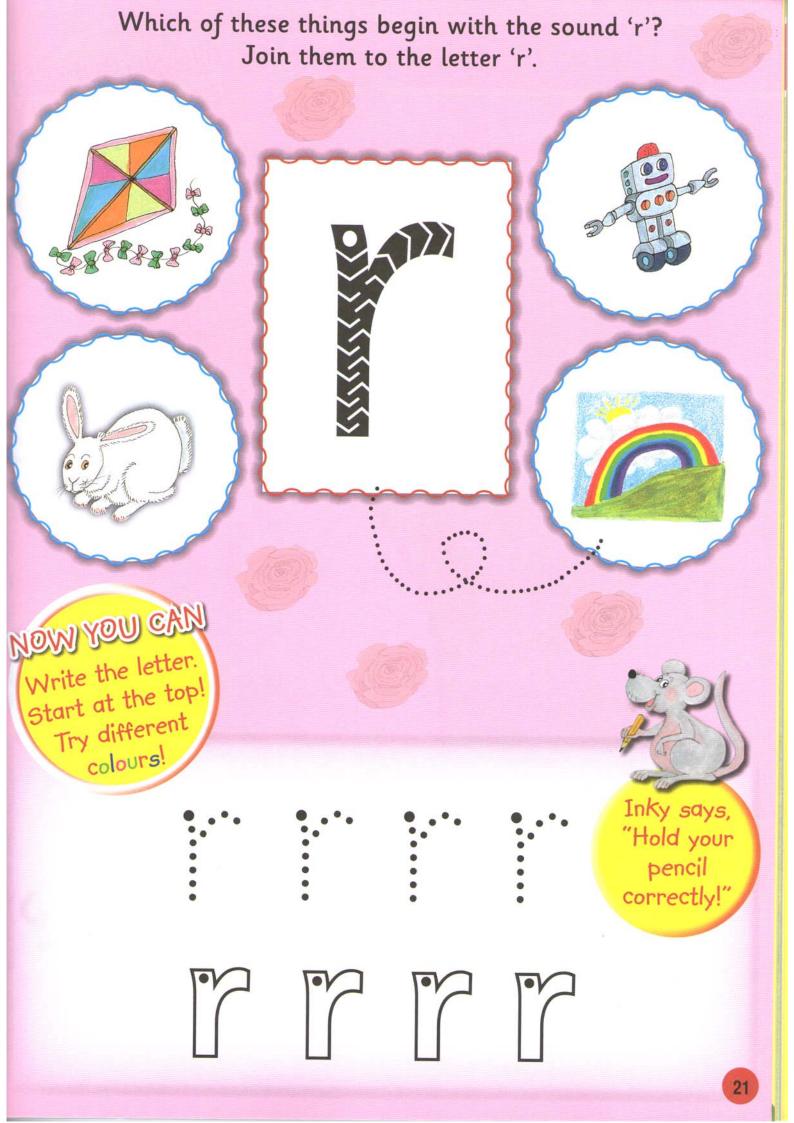
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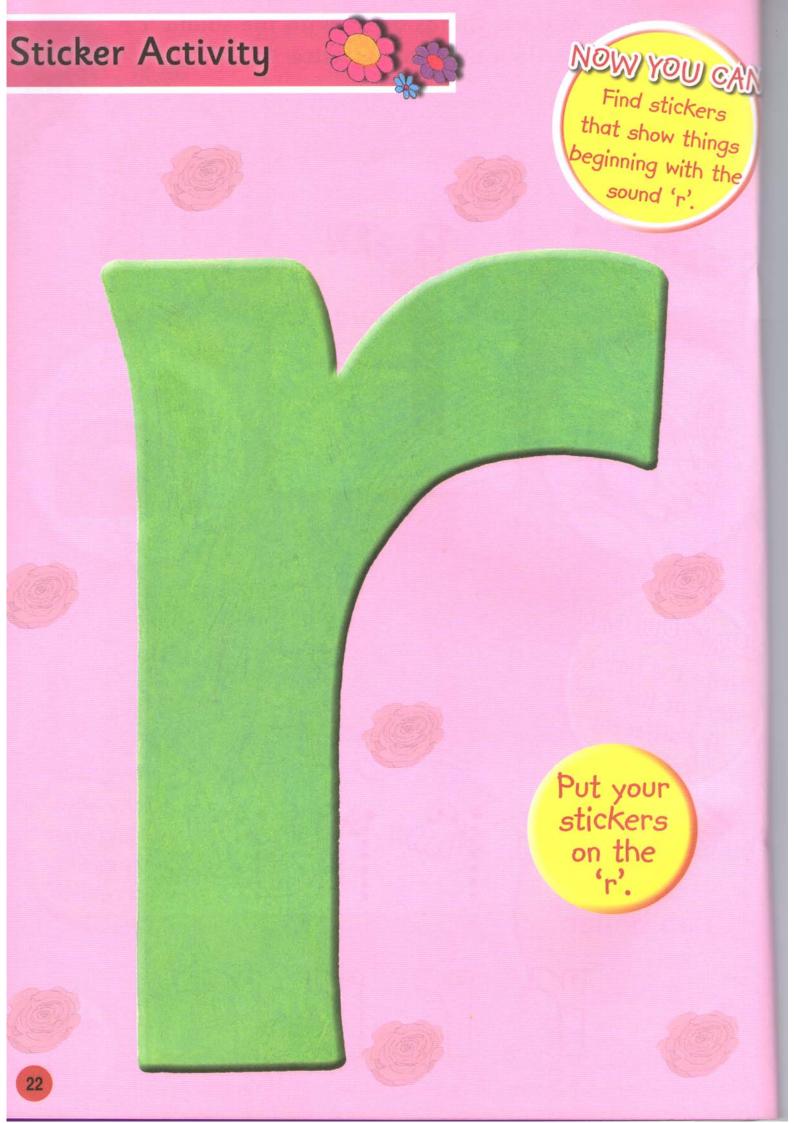
Word families help with reading.
Encourage your child to blend the 'en' using the soft 'nnn' sound.











Word and Picture Matching

NOW YOU CAN Join the words to the pictures and later you can cut out and match.





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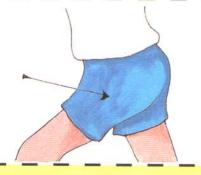
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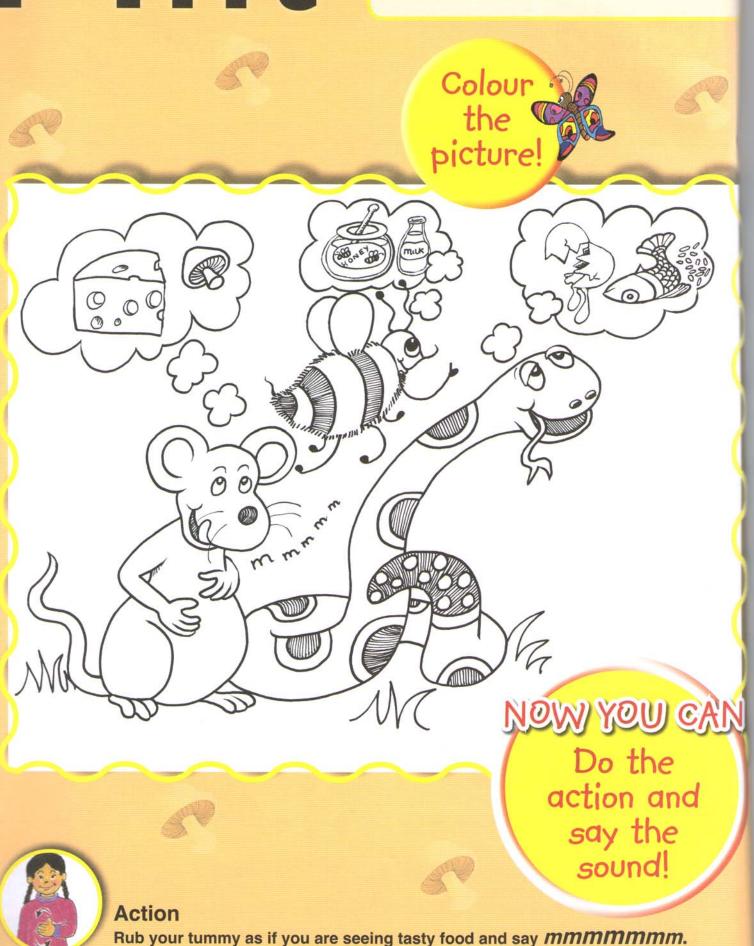
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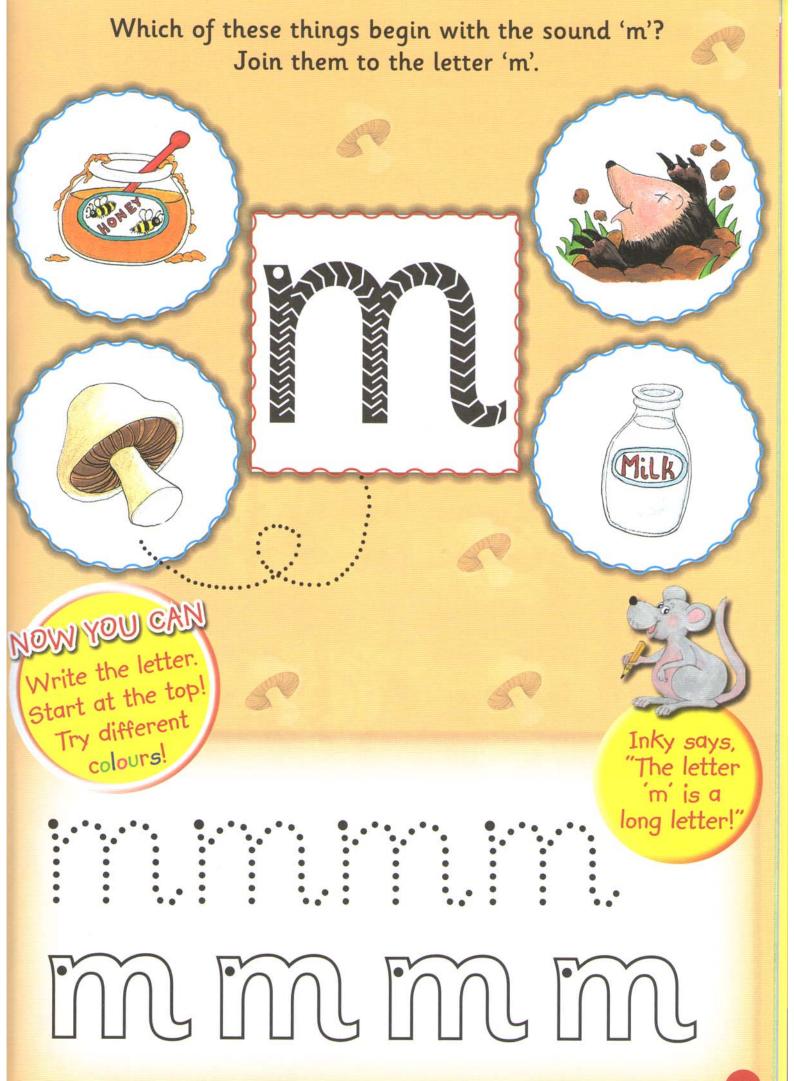




Tips for Parents

These are words using the sounds learnt so far. For tips on blending see the parents' notes at the start of this book. Snake, Inky and Bee have found the food tent, "mmmmmm", says Snake, rubbing his tummy. Inky asks him what his favourite food is. "Egg, fish and rice," replies Snake.







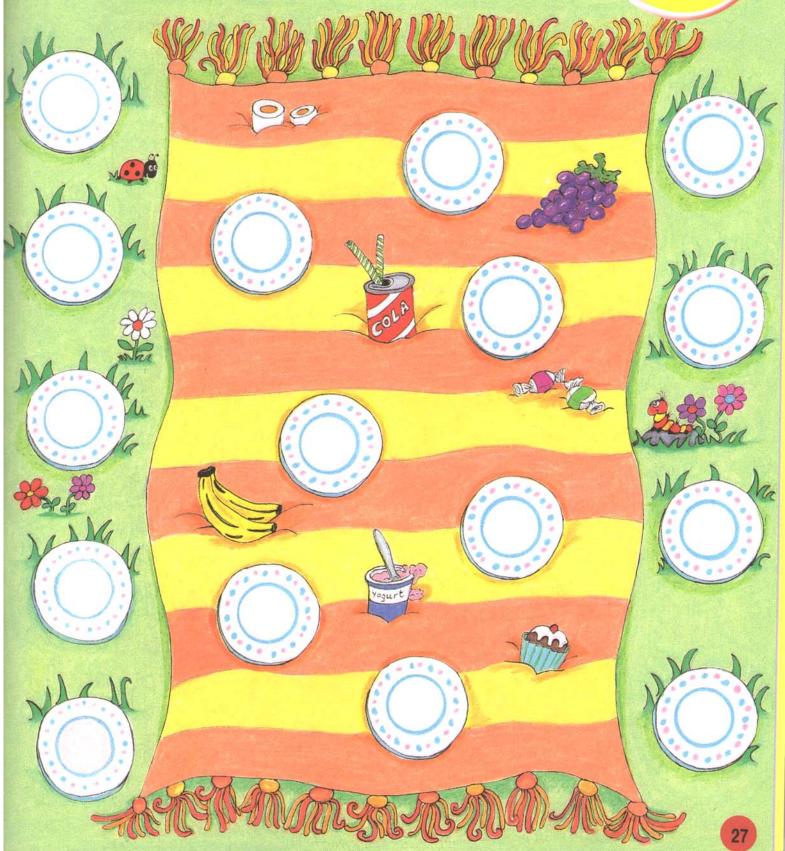
'mmm' picnic!



Sticker Activity

If the food on the sticker has a 'm' sound in the word, you can add it to the picnic. If it doesn't, stick it on a side plate.

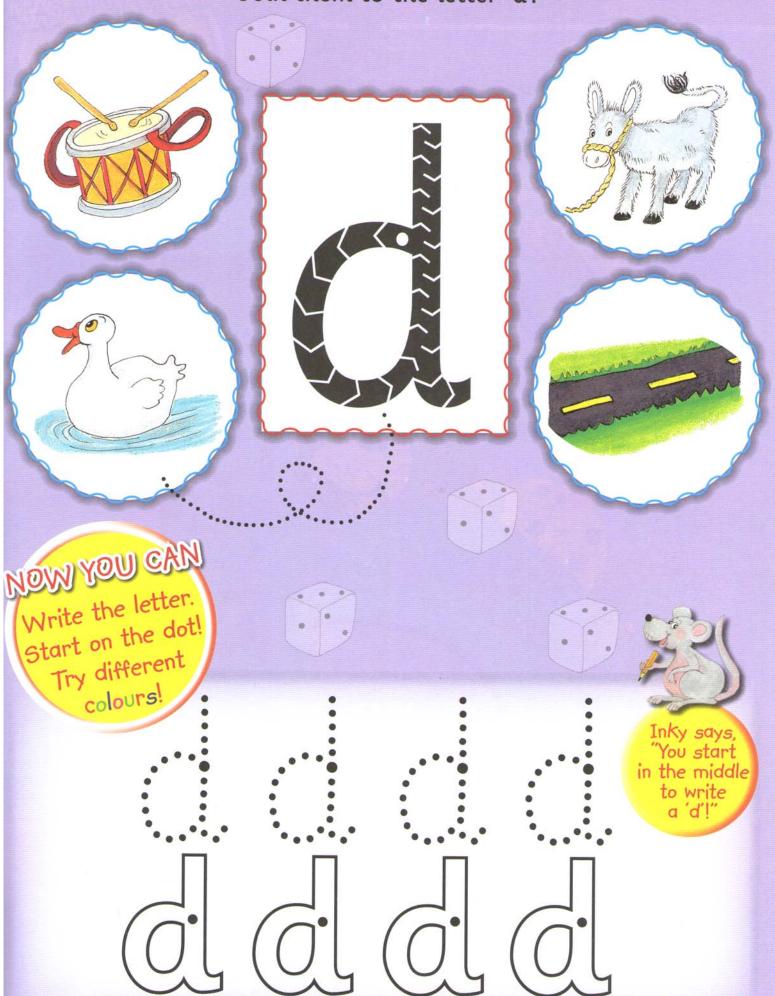


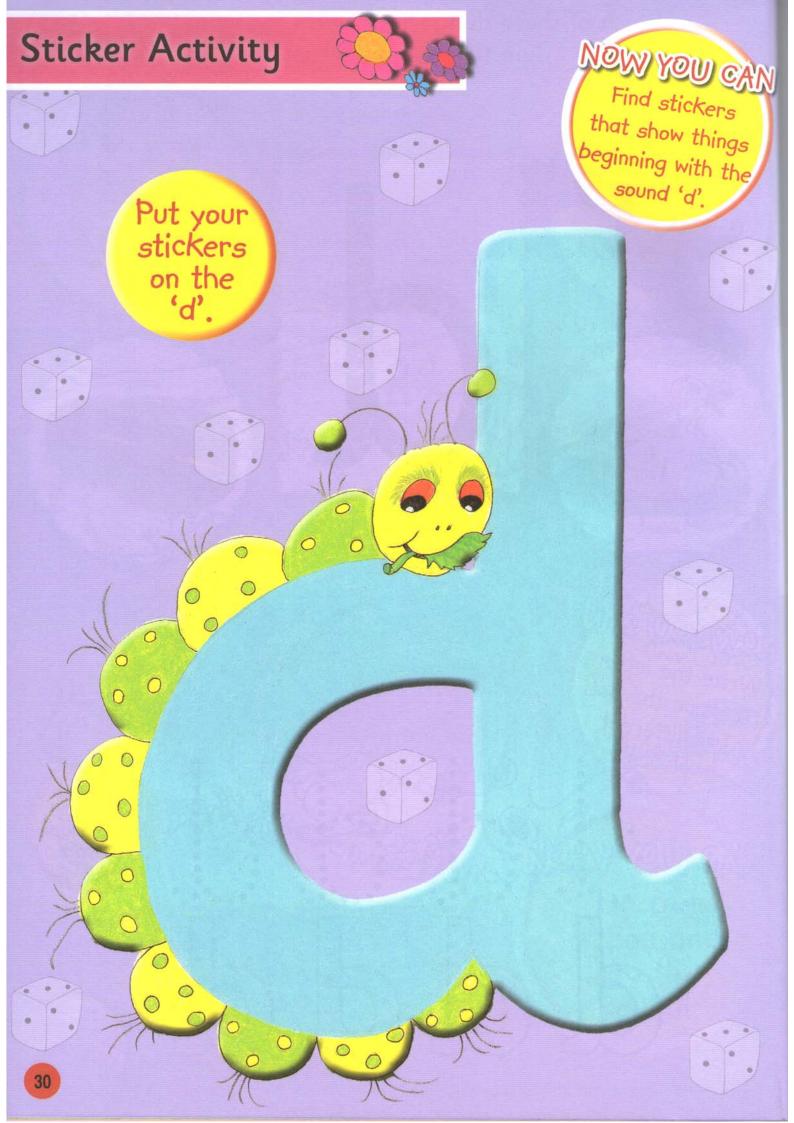


There is a band playing at the fair. The lady at the front has a big drum. It makes a very loud noise, d, d, as the band marches past. Bee finds a drum and plays it all the way home. www.majazionline.ir Colour Minney Do the action and say the sound! Beat your hands up and down as if you are playing a drum and say d, d, d, d.

Which of these things begin with the sound 'd'?

Join them to the letter 'd'.



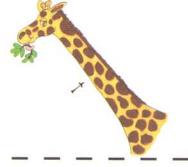


More Word and Picture Matching

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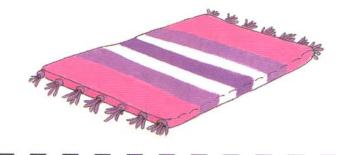
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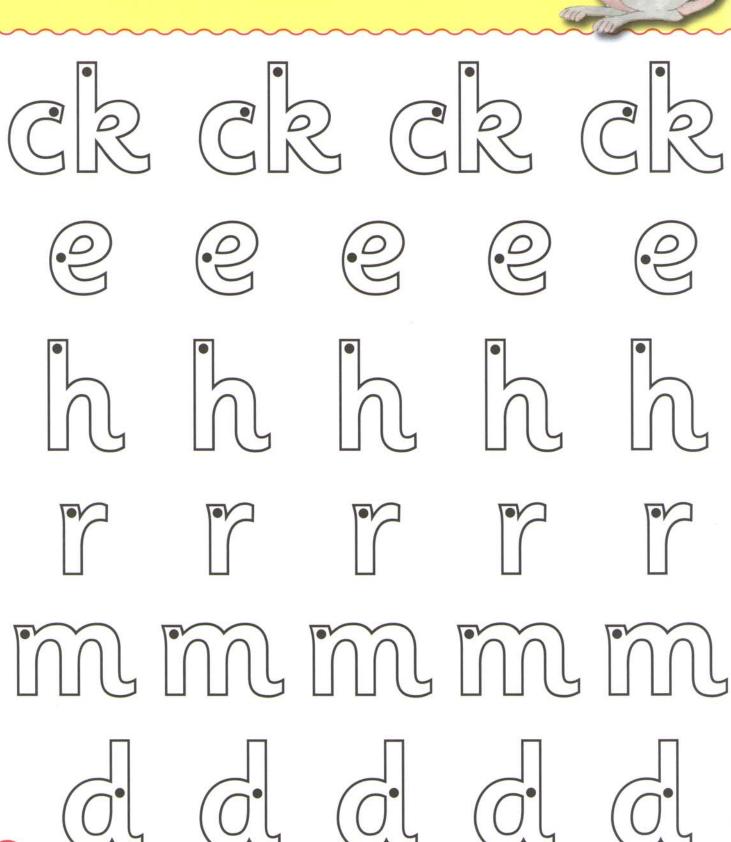
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Practise Writing the Letters

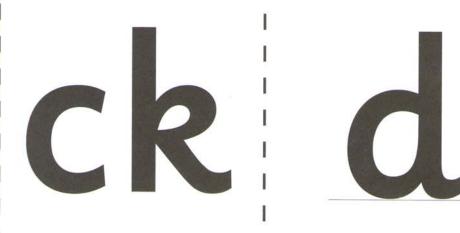
Start on the dot and try to stay inside the lines!





Sound Cards

How to use these cards

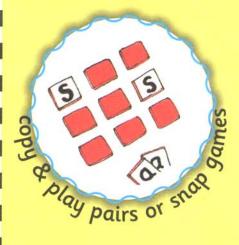




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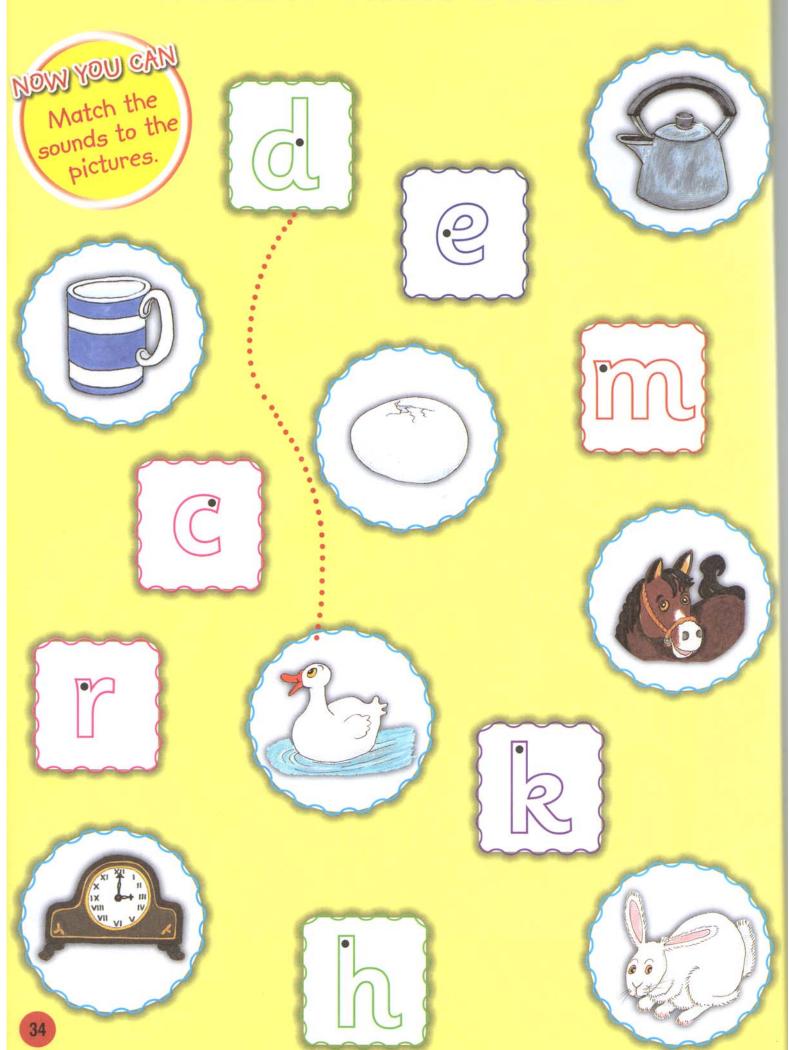




Tips for Parents

Cut out each card and use them in the ways suggested. Keep them and add them to the sound cards in the other activity books.

I Know These Sounds





I Can Read!



Colour each box when you can read the word.

end	him	tent
sad	mad	kept
men	and	hand
can	hit	step
map	rip	mend
hid	pet	send
did	ran	sand
hat	act	sack



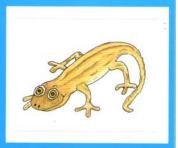
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