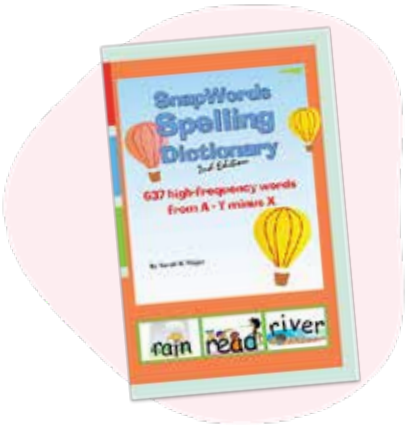
How to Use SnapWords® Spelling Dictionary



The SnapWords® Spelling Dictionary compiles images, body motions, and sentences from the original SnapWords® cards, presented in alphabetical order for convenient reference and ideal for use as a review tool. Use a list of 10-12 words that your child is currently working on.

Introduce the Words

- Locate each word from the list in the Dictionary and tell your child what is says.
- Talk about what the picture shows, allowing enough time for your child to study the picture well.
- Do the hand motions as you say the word together.
- Read the sentence and have your child repeat it.



Review the Words

- Find each word in the Dictionary, one at a time, asking your child what each word is. If they hesitate at all, say the word yourself - don't let your child guess wrong.
- Do the body motion as you repeat the word.
- Say the sentence together.



Transition to Plain Print

- When the child can easily read all of the words in the group, write the words on little cards and spread them out on the table.
- Show your child one word at a time, asking them to find the same word on a card from the table.

Review Plain Print

- Once your child can quickly identify the correct plain words to match the picture words, set the Dictionary aside and just call out one word at a time for them to find on the table.
- If your child is not sure about a word, find it in the Dictionary and show them the picture again.
- Take turns calling out words for your child to find and letting them call out words for you to find.
- When your child can easily read all the words from the plain cards, put that group of cards in a baggie or box and start with another group of 10-12 picture words, repeating these activities.

give	have
sit	play