

Word Lists: Medial Short Vowel

This is a list of word families based on short vowel rimes. It is designed to help develop and extend basic letter-sound understanding and the ability to blend those sounds into words. These word families, therefore, utilize only short vowels in the medial position and only independent and dependent consonants in the initial and final position. They do not utilize c, g, y, w, q, or x, nor do they include any non-standard pronunciations of other consonants, such as the “s” which takes the /z/ sound in “his” or “as”) and do not use any double vowels or consonants, vowel or consonant digraphs, etc. ***The intent of this list is to create a word list that can be used to support and reinforce reading with the most basic letter-sound correspondence, uncluttered by exceptions, rules, diphthongs, digraphs, silent letters, vowel-r words, etc.*** Also not included are words which fit these parameters but are unusual words a young child is not likely to have in his/her speaking vocabulary, such as “rend.”

Short a	fad	<u>-amp</u>	<u>-and</u>	snap	vast
	had	damp	band	strap	blast
	lad	lamp	hand	trap	
<u>-ab</u>	mad	ramp	land		<u>-at</u>
dab	pad	stamp	sand	<u>-ask</u>	bat
jab	sad		brand	ask	fat
lab	Brad	<u>-an</u>	stand	mask	hat
nab		ban	strand	task	mat
tab	<u>-am</u>	Dan			pat
blab	dam	fan	<u>-ap</u>	<u>-asp</u>	rat
drab	ham	man	lap	gasp	sat
flab	jam	pan	map	grasp	vat
slab	Pam	ran	nap		brat
stab	ram	tan	rap	<u>-ast</u>	flat
	Sam	van	sap	fast	spat
<u>-ad</u>	slam	plan	tap	last	
bad	tram	span	flap	mast	
dad			slap	past	

