

Lesson: Hop & Read Activity

Grade Level(s): K-2nd Grade

Concept(s): Reading & Movement Integration

Duration: 25-30 minutes

Objective: Students will enhance their word recognition and fluency through an engaging

movement-based reading activity.

Materials Needed:

Word Hop mats

Tape

Lesson Procedure (5 minutes):

Engage Students:

- Ask:
 - "How do we practice reading words?"
 - "What if we add movement to make it more fun?"

Explain the Activity:

- Students will start at "START HERE" and read the first word.
- They will hop to the next word while saying it aloud.
- If they don't know the word, the teacher will say it, and they will repeat it.
- The activity continues until the end of the mat.

Demonstrate the Activity:

Show students how to hop and read each word on the space.

Activity (15-20 minutes):

Student Participation:

- A student begins at START HERE and reads the first word.
- They hop to the next word while saying it aloud.
- If they struggle, provide the correct word and have them repeat it.
- They continue hopping and reading until they reach the end of the mat.

Repetition & Mastery:

- Repeat the activity multiple times until students feel comfortable.
- Allow students to take turns and encourage them to improve their fluency.

 Add variation by having students toss a bean bag onto the mat. Saying the word and using it in a sentence.

Closure (5 minutes):

Discussion:

Ask students which words were easy and which were tricky.

Reflection:

• Have students share if hopping helped them remember words better.

Celebrate Success:

Class cheer! "Reading is fun!"

Assessment

• Observation: Monitor students' pronunciation and confidence.

Differentiation:

Support:

• Allow them to step instead of hop and provide extra guidance when reading.

Challenge:

• Have them spell the words without looking or use them in sentences after hopping.

Extension Activity:

• Students can create their own word lists with words they choose.

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Name:	_ Date:	
Directions: Write 6 words from the mats and choose 4 to create your own sentences. Write your sentences on the lines provided.		
Word Bank:		
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Bonus Challenge: Pick one sentence and draw a picture to match!

Worksheet: Make your own mat			
Name: Date:			
Draw your own mat like the ones you have been jumping on with 7 words. (Idea: Use words that all start with the same sound, or rhyme, or all have a long vowel sound.) Swap your paper with a friend and read each other's mat.	er		