The Letter W - Sound (page 35)



Materials:

- letter Ww flashcard
- picture cards (umbrella, van, watch, worm, wig, wolf, x-ray and any other previously taught picture cards)
- string

Review: 3-5 minutes

- Sing the alphabet song while pointing at the letters
 - For students with less phonics exposure, the teacher should point to a wall chart while singing the song.
 - For students with more phonics exposure and experience, students should point to the letters on page 4 as they sing the song.
- Show the letter and watch picture flashcard for the letter **Ww**, while saying the letter name, letter sound, the picture name, and stroke count while air writing. Students repeat.
 - Teacher and students: "W, /w/, watch"; air write and count letter strokes

Preview: 3-5 minutes

- Show the letter Ww flashcard while saying the letter name and letter sound and have the students repeat
 - Teacher: "W, /w/ /w/"Students: "W, /w/ /w/ /w/"
- Show the picture cards for the words that begin with the **Ww** sound and say the name of the picture, emphasizing the beginning sound and have the students repeat
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ watch"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ worm"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ wig"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ wolf"; students repeat

Modeling: 3-5 minutes

• Show the students a picture card that starts with the **Ww** sound.

- Teacher: "/w/ /w/ watch". Since the word begins with the /w/ sound, howl like a wolf.
- Show the students a picture card that doesn't start with the **Ww** sound.
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ x-ray". Since the word doesn't begin with the /w/ sound, wave your hands in front of you.

Guided Practice: 5 minutes

- Continue the activity from above using the picture cards for umbrella, van, watch, worm, wig, wolf, x-ray and any other previously taught cards.
 - Teacher says the /w/ sound, followed by the word from the picture card. If the word begins with the /w/ sound, teacher and students howl like wolves. If not, wave their hands in front of them.

Independent Practice: 5-10 minutes

- Make two large circles on the floor with string. Label one **Ww** and the other one leave blank.
- Give each student a picture card (umbrella, van, watch, worm, wig, wolf, x-ray and any other previously taught cards).
- Have each student read their card and say the beginning sound.
 - If they are unable to do this alone, the teacher can say the beginning sound and the word and the student can repeat.
- Then the student will put their card in the correct circle. If it begins with the /w/ sound, it goes in the **Ww** circle. If not, it goes in the blank circle.
- Continue play until all the cards have been placed in the correct circle.

Assessment:

• During the guided and independent practice, take note of students' ability to match the /w/ sound to the various picture cards.

Closure: 1-2 minutes

- Review each picture card.
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ watch"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ worm"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ wig"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/w/ /w/ wolf"; students repeat