

Beginning s (page 12)



Materials:

- letter flashcards Aa-Zz
- letter s flashcard
- picture cards (sun, snake, seal, soup, zebra and any other picture cards that do not begin with the s sound)
- music of your choice
- page 12

Review: 2-3 minutes

- Mix up the letter flashcards and show them to the students one at a time.
 - *Hint:* You should develop a routine when doing this.
 - Teacher: "Letter?" Students: "A."
 - Teacher: "Sound?" Students: "/a/."
 - *Hint:* For older children you can also set a timer to see how long it takes them to get through all the letters saying the letter name and sound. You can record this time and let the students try and get a better time each day.

Preview: 5-7 minutes

- Show the s flashcard while saying the letter name and letter sound and have the students repeat
 - Teacher: "S, /s/ /s/ /s/" Students: "S, /s/ /s/ /s/"
- Show the picture cards for the words that begin with the s sound and say the name of the picture, emphasizing the s sound and have the students repeat
 - Teacher: "/s/ /s/ sun"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/s/ /s/ snake"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/s/ /s/ seal"; students repeat
 - Teacher: "/s/ /s/ soup"; students repeat

Modeling: 5 minutes

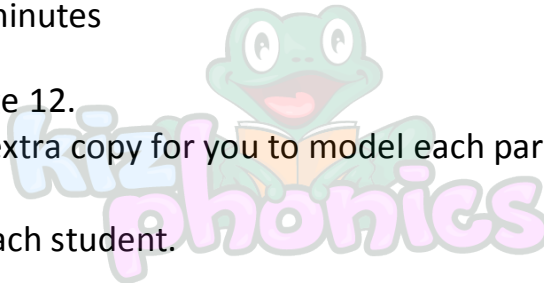
- Show the students a picture card that starts with the s sound.
 - Teacher: "/s/ /s/ sun." Since the word begins with the /s/ sound, make a sun in the air with your arms.
- Show the students a picture card that doesn't start with the s sound.
 - Teacher: "/s/ /s/ zebra". Since the word doesn't begin with the /s/ sound, put your hands in your lap.
- Repeat as many times as necessary with different picture cards.

Guided Practice: 5-7 minutes

- Play Musical Picture Cards.
 - Place picture cards in a circle, making sure you have enough cards for each child in your classroom. Use the picture cards from this lesson and other picture cards that do not start with the /s/ sound.
 - Have each child stand next to a picture card.
 - *Hint:* Make sure you talk about walking next to the picture cards and not on the picture cards.
 - Play music and have the students walk around the circle, next to the different picture cards.
 - When the music stops the students stop next to card they are by. If the card they are by starts with the /s/ sound, they stay standing up. If the card they are by does not start with the letter /s/ sound, they sit down.
 - Have the students standing up say the picture card they are standing by.
- Continue playing as long as is necessary.

Independent Practice: 5-7 minutes

- Explain how to do page 12.
 - *Hint:* Have an extra copy for you to model each part prior to giving it to the students.
- Pass out page 12 to each student.



Assessment: (during Independent Practice)

- As the students are completing page 12, monitor and give guidance/support/correction/praise, as needed.
- Use page 12 as a record and be sure to take note of students who may need more practice and/or instruction.

Closure: 1-2 minutes

- Review each picture card.
 - Teacher: “/s/ /s/ sun”; students repeat
 - Teacher: “/s/ /s/ snake”; students repeat
 - Teacher: “/s/ /s/ seal”; students repeat
 - Teacher: “/s/ /s/ soup”; students repeat