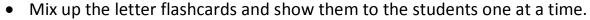
Long a Word Building (page 25)

Materials:

- letter flashcards Aa-Zz
- long a flashcard
- picture cards (cake, wave, cane, lake, rake)
- lowercase letter flashcards (c, a, k, e, w, v, n, l, r)
- individual letter cards for each student (c, a, k, e, w, v, n, l, r)
- page 25

Review: 2-3 minutes



o *Hint:* You should develop a routine when doing this.

o Teacher: "Letter?" Students: "A."

o Teacher: "Sound?" Students: "/a/."

o *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.

You can also choose to play any of the games that have been taught in previous lessons.

- Around the World
- Flyswatter
- Beanbag Toss
- o Relay Race
- Just adapt any of the games to help you review the letter names and sounds of the alphabet.

Preview: 5 minutes

• Show the **long a** flashcard and talk about how the letter **a** can make another sound, called the **long a** sound.

Teacher: "A /a/ /a/
Students: "A /a/ /a/ /a/

- Remind the students that one way to make the long a sound is to add a silent e to the end of a short a word.
- Show them the long a picture cards, emphasizing the long a sound in each word.
 - Point out that in each word the silent e is changing the short a sound into a long a sound.

Teacher: "/a/ /a/ cake"; students repeat

Teacher: "/a/ /a/ wave"; students repeat

Teacher: "/a/ /a/ cane"; students repeat

o Teacher: "/a/ /a/ lake"; students repeat



- Teacher: "/a/ /a/ rake"; students repeat
- Tell them today they are going to be using letter cards to make the words to match the pictures.

Modeling: 5-7 minutes

- Place the lowercase letter flashcards (c, a, k, e, w, v, n, l, r) in a line on the floor.
 - You can also use the whiteboard ledge or the whiteboard, as long as they are within the students' reach.
- Show one of the picture cards and say all the sounds you hear in the word.
 - o Teacher: "cake /k/ /a/ /k/ silent e cake"; students repeat
 - Now say the sounds again, but this time as you say each sound pull the letter that matches out of the line of letters.
 - Make sure you are modeling and talking about what thoughts are going on in your head as you are pulling the letters down to make the word that matches the picture.
 - "Well I know that cake starts with a /k/ sound. Hmm is it the letter c or the letter k? I think it is the letter c, so I will pull that one down first. Now I hear the long /a/ sound, so that is the letter a. The last sound I hear is the /k/ sound again. I think this is going to be the letter k. Well if I read the word I have it is cak, but I want cake. I know the silent e can go at the end of a word to change the a from the short sound to the long sound. I am going to add the silent e to the end of my word. Now when I read the word I read cake."
 - Now do another example with the word wave, and have the students help you with the sounds and moving the letters.

Guided Practice: 5-7 minutes

- Give each student their own set of letter cards and have them put them in a line at the top of the area they are working in.
- You will continue the activity from above, only the students will be moving their own letters along with you.
- Show one of the picture cards and say all of the sounds you hear.
 - Teacher: "cane /k/ /a/ /n/ silent e cane"; students repeat
 - Now say the word again, one sound at a time. As you say the sound, pull down the letter that matches, while the students are doing the same thing with their letters.
 - Ask questions to make sure the students are thinking about how they should be making the word to match the picture.

- "What sound do you hear at the beginning of the word? Which letter or letters make that sound? What vowel sound do you hear? Do we need a silent e? Why or why not?"
- Walk around and make sure the students are pulling down the correct letters to make the words.
- Students that are still unsure can look at what you are doing to help guide them or make corrections if needed.
- o After all of the letters have been pulled down, read the word together.
- Return the letters back to the line at the top of the work area and repeat with other words on page 25.

Independent Practice: 5-7 minutes

- Explain how to do page 25.
 - Hint: Have an extra copy for you to model each part prior to giving it to the students.
- Pass out page 25 to each student.
 - You may want to do one or two together before you have them work on the page independently.
 - o They can also use their letter cards to make the word first if it helps them.

Assessment: (during Independent Practice)

- As the students are completing page 25, monitor and give guidance/ support/correction/praise, as needed.
- Use page 25 as a record and be sure to take note of students who may need more practice and/or instruction.

Closure: 1-2 minutes

- Write the words on the board and read them together.
 - o Teacher and students: "/k/ /a/ /k/ silent e cake"
 - Teacher and students: "/w//a//v/ silent e wave"
 - o Teacher and students: "/k/ /a/ /n/ silent e cane"
 - Teacher and students: "/l/ /a/ /k/ silent e lake"
 - o Teacher and students: "/r//a//k/ silent e rake"