My Backpack Emergent Reader and Sight Word Set

Featuring the sight words: I, have, a, in, my

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Introduction

As a kindergarten teacher, I am always looking for simple, engaging emergent readers for my students. This is especially true now that I have switched to a Reading Workshop format. My library is filled with all the beloved classics—wonderful, rich literature from the best authors. And just like me, the kids love "reading" them-telling the stories through the pictures, retelling them from memory or even just making new stories up!

But I also want them "reading the words" as soon as possible. I want them to have lots of opportunities to practice reading sight words and using pictures and letter/sound connections to decode unknown words. So along with my beloved classics, I fill my classroom library with simple, predictable texts that children can read from the very earliest days of school.

My Backpack is a simple, repetitive text with colorful illustrations and a fun ending. You can print as many copies as you want, so they are perfect for small groups and filling book boxes! There is also a reproducible, black-line master so each child can have his/her own copy to take home. There are pocket chart cards so that students can practice making sentences, a class-book template, small sentence-building cards and a few other activities to practice reading and writing the sight words in the story.

I have many other emergent readers almost ready to publish, so check back often! In the meantime...

Happy Reading! Kathryn

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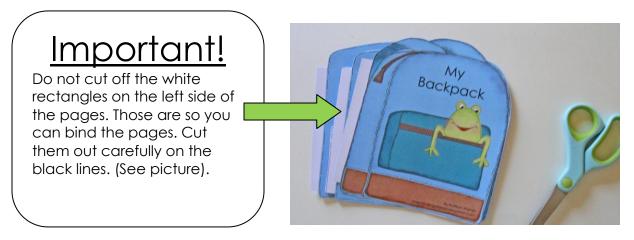
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Book Assembly Instructions

- 1. Print all book pages on a good-quality cardstock.
- 2. Cut out the pages. I promise that my next book will be a square or rectangle! The pages are not exactly the same size. The cover is bigger than the rest of the pages. And the rest of the pages are a bit off, as well. But it still turns out very cute!



- 3. Decide how you want to bind the book. You have several options.
 - Comb Binding (many schools have this).
 - Spiral Binding (You're local copy shop can do this for a few dollars. Or you can use a scrapbook binder like the Cinch or the Bind-it-All).
 - Duct Tape Binding (My Favorite, and the sturdiest if you ask me!)

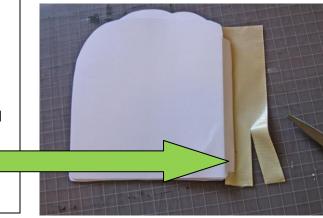
See the next page for a Duck Tape Book Binding Tutorial!

Duck Tape Book Binding Tutorial

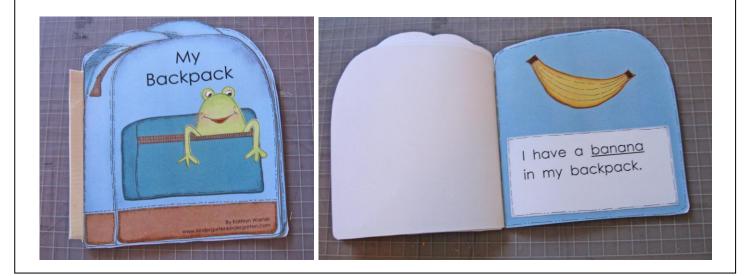
1. Use a good quality craft glue to glue the white binding edges of the book together. Start with the last page. Put a thin line of glue on the white edge and simply place the next page directly on top. Repeat until all of the pages have been glued together.

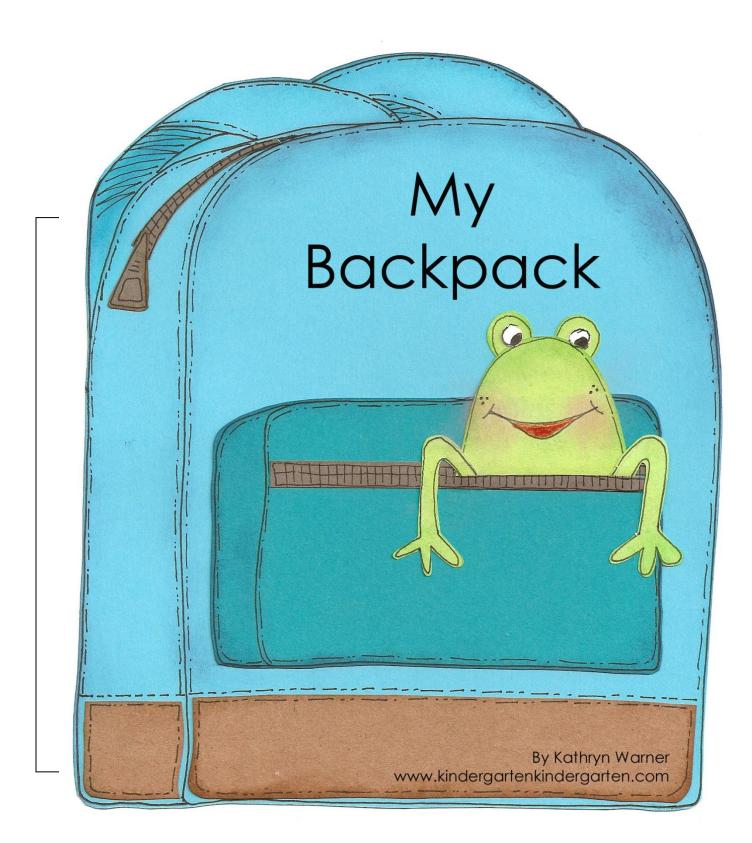


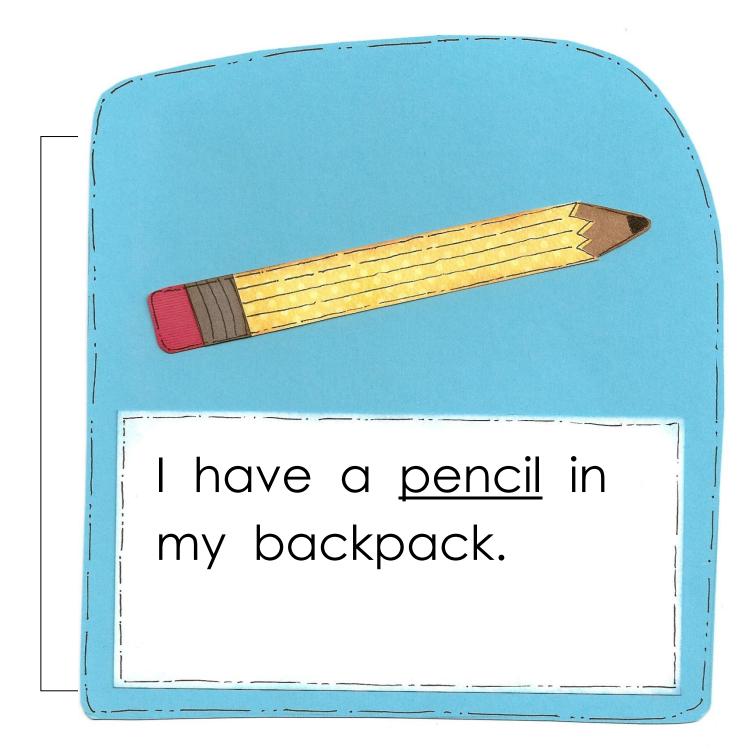
2. Cut a piece of Duck (duct) tape slightly longer than the book (about 6 inches). The tape will only need to be about an inch wide. It's easiest to place the tape on the front of the book (on the binding edge) and then flip the book over. Use scissors to trim the extra tape away. The simply fold over the rest of the tape. Trim off any excess tape from the top and bottom of the book.



Basically, you're just covering up the part of the book where the pages are glued together with duct tape. This makes a really strong binding! And Duck tape comes in so many fun colors and patterns these days—you can match any book. (I used white here).

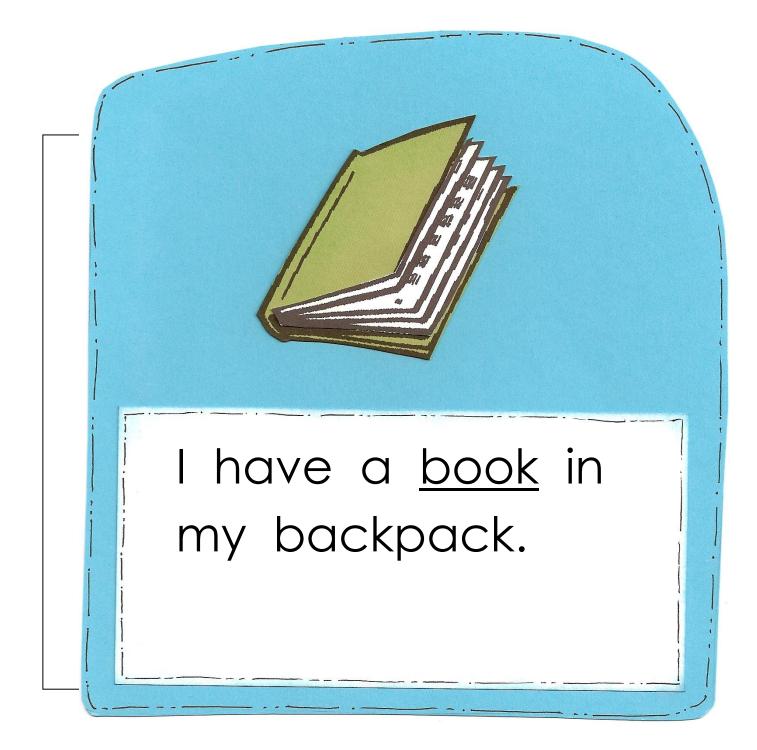


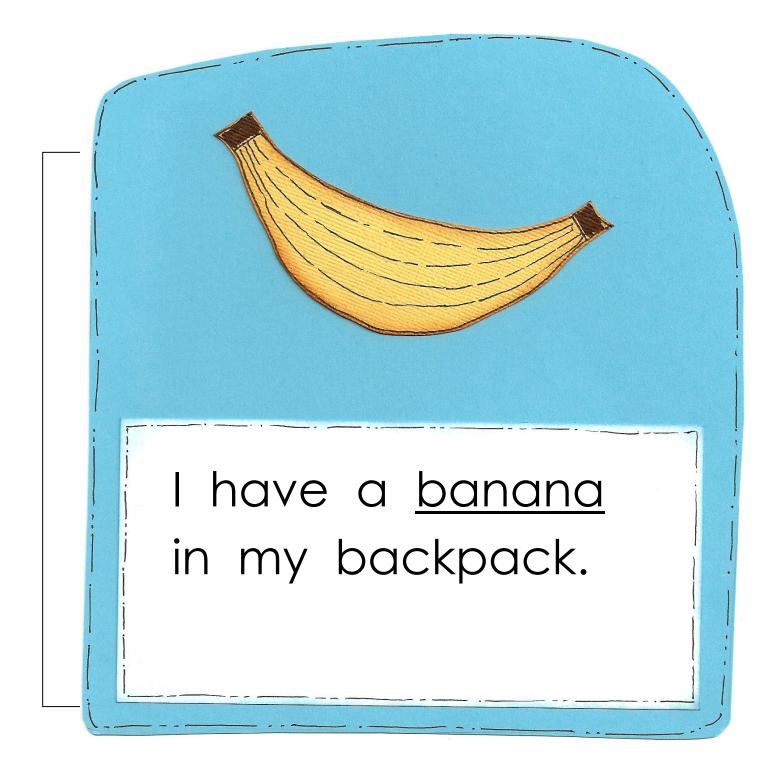


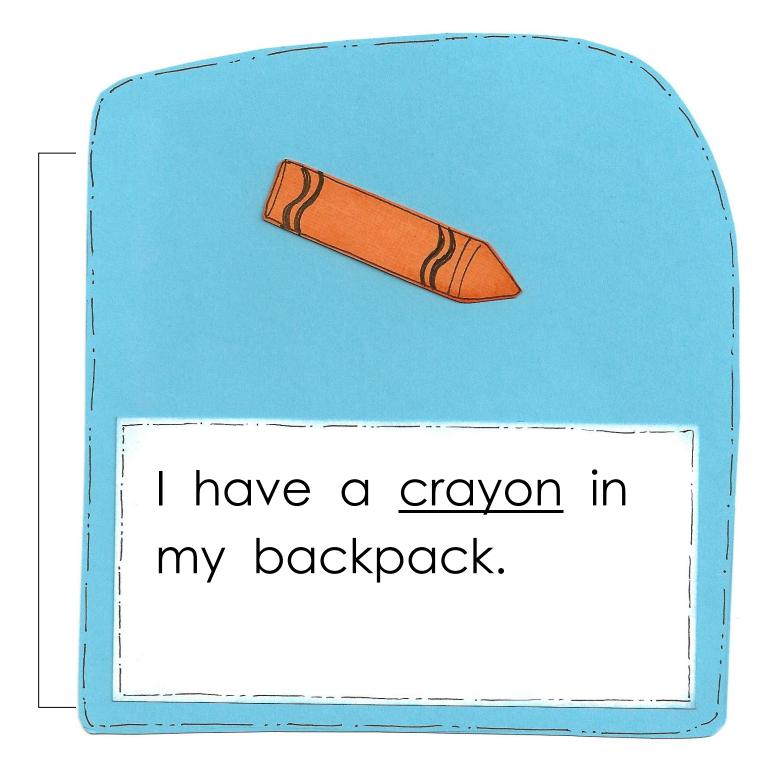


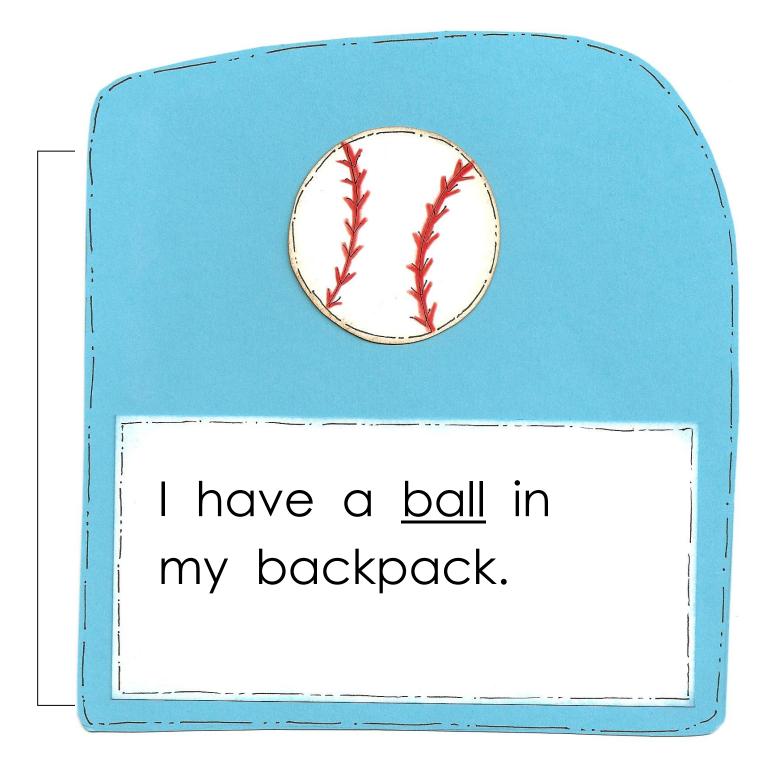


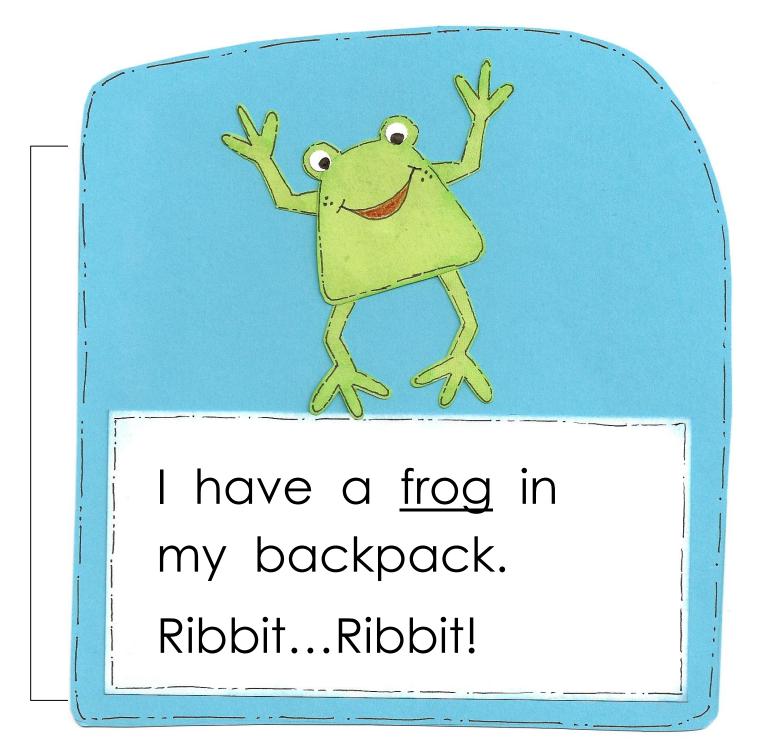






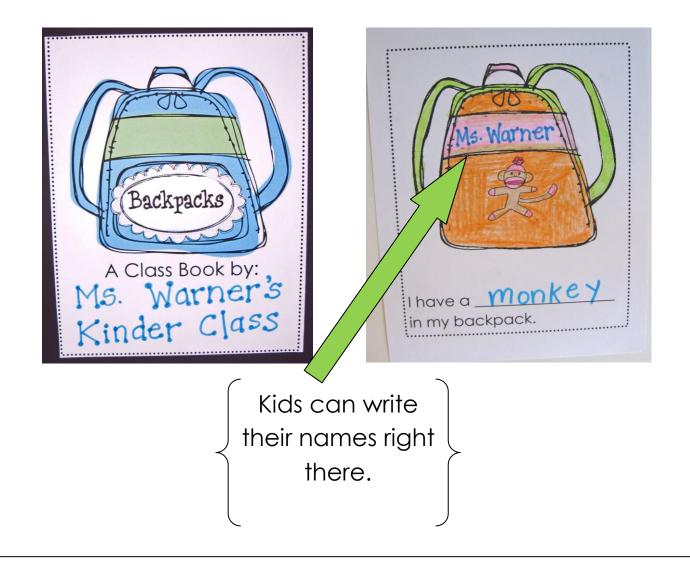


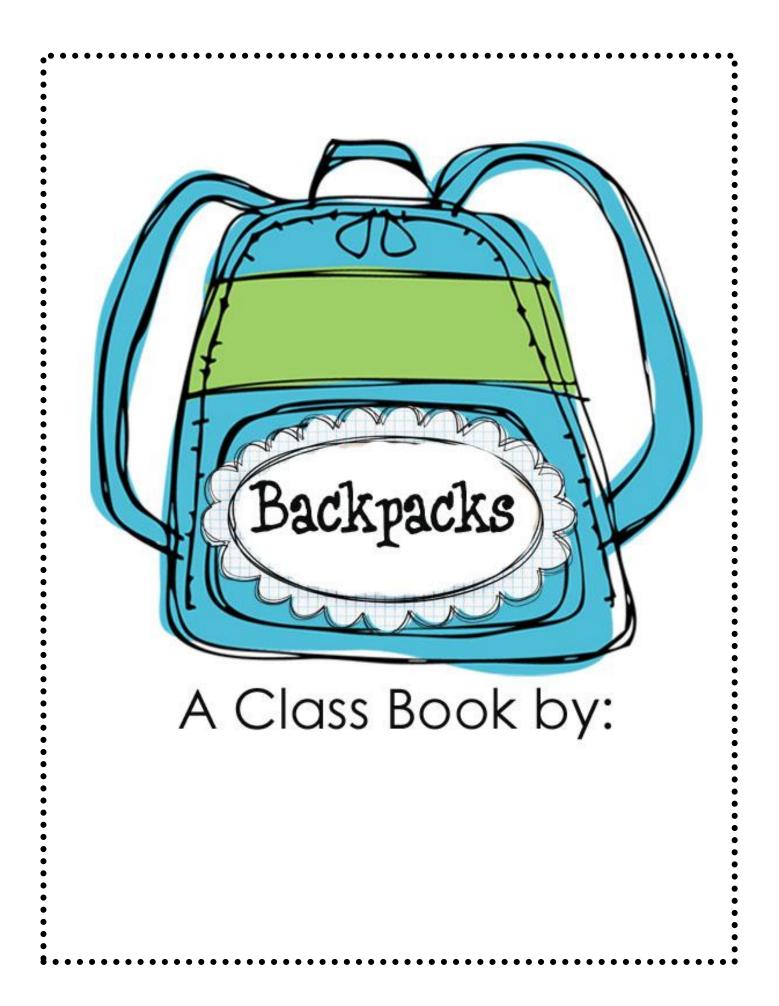


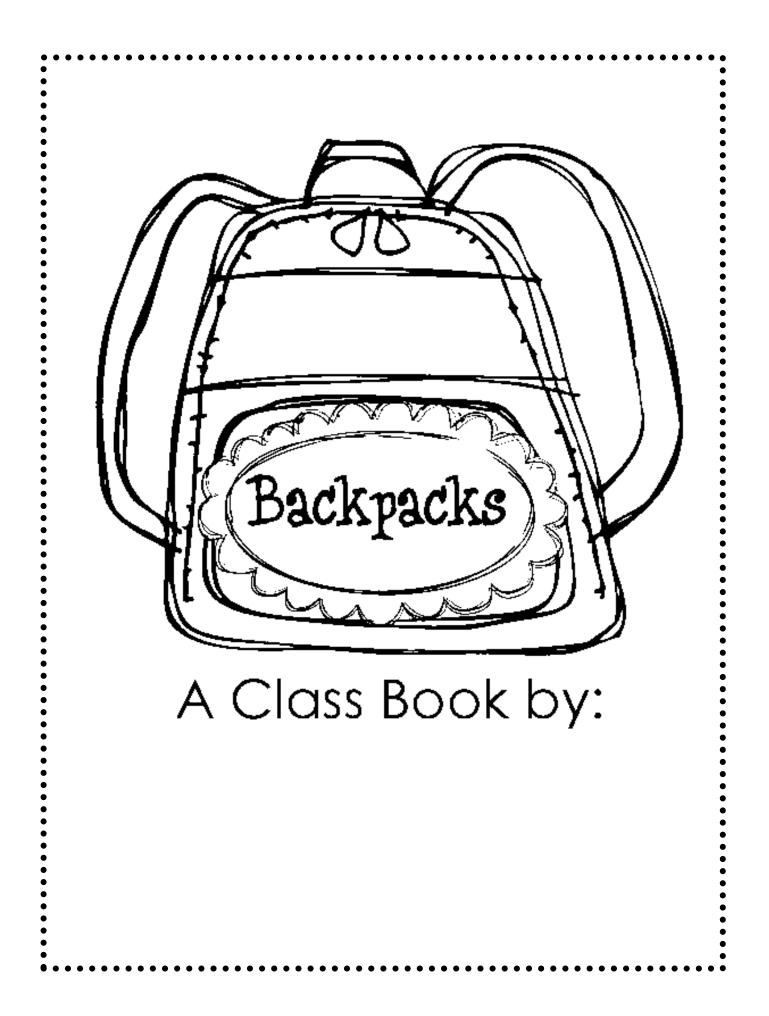


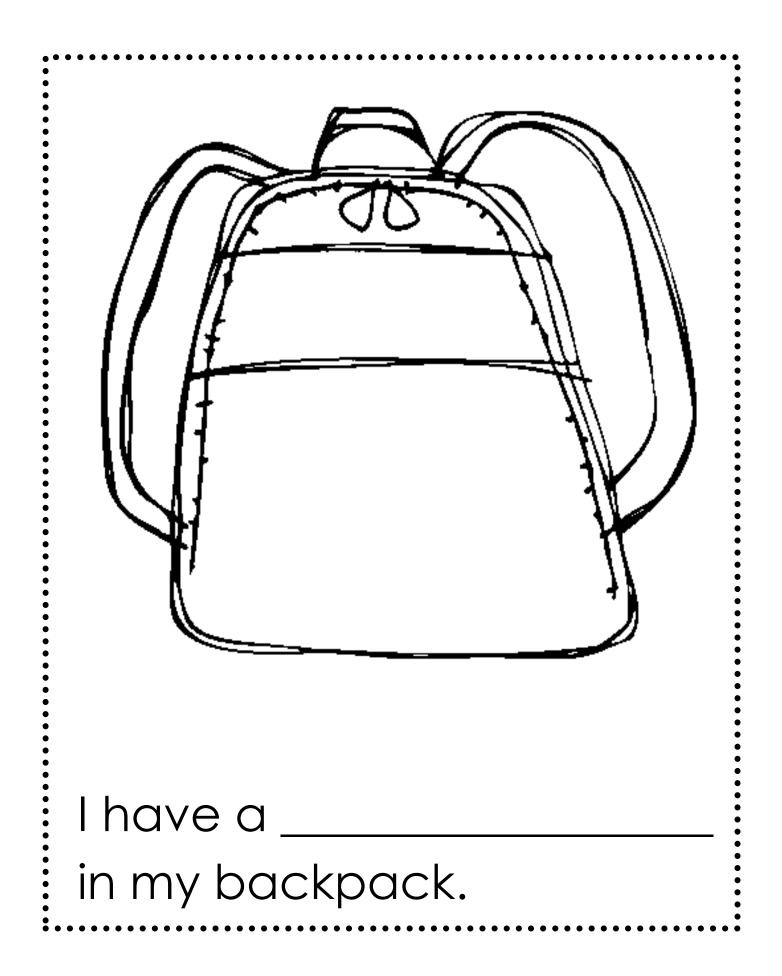
Class Book

Have kids draw a picture and fill in the sentence blank. Bind it together for a fun class book that will provide more reading practice!









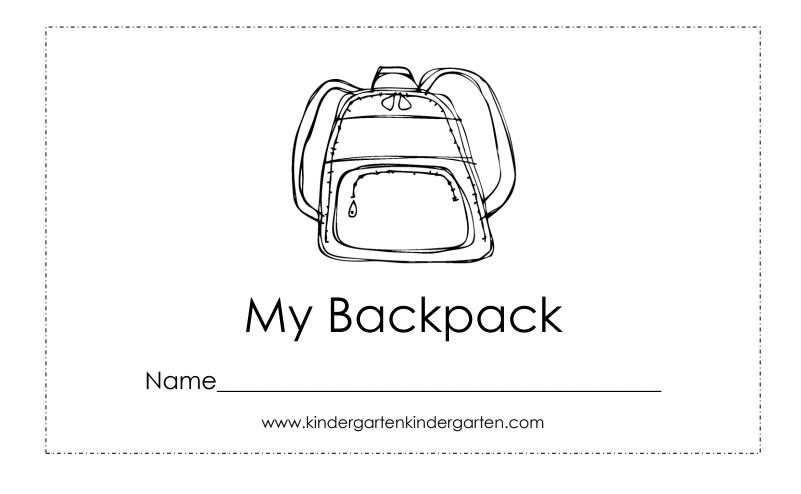
My Backpack

Emergent Reader

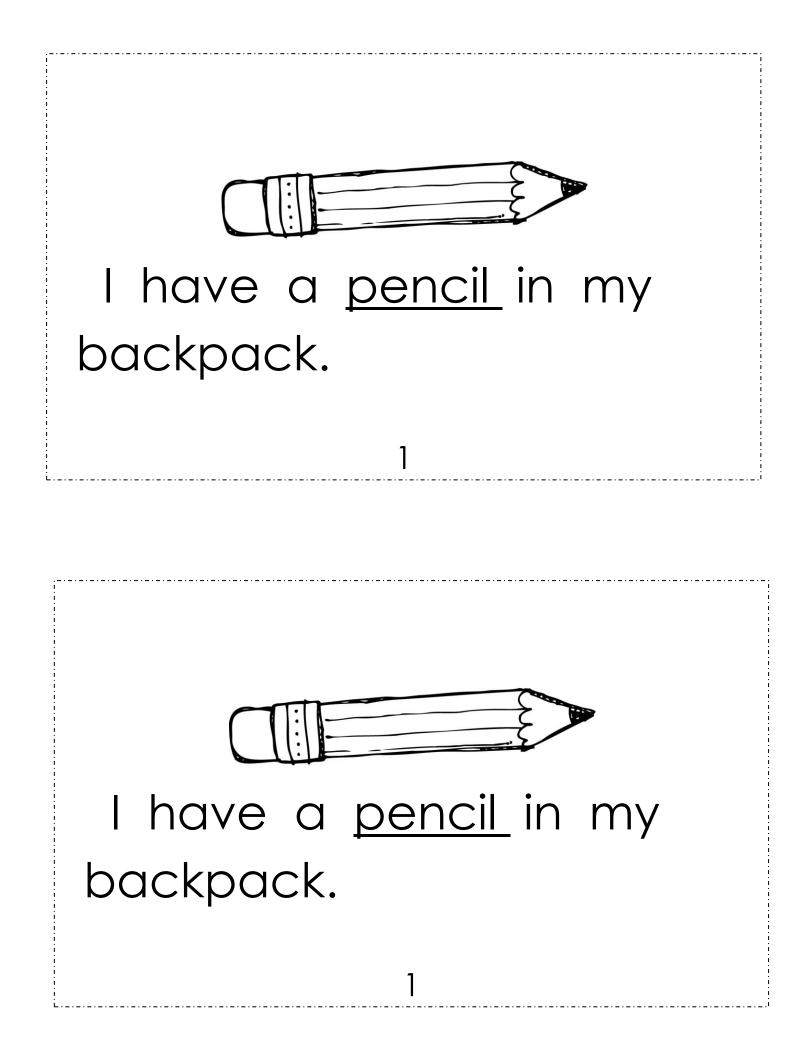
- Have students find sight words and color them specific colors.
- Use in small reading groups or for interventions.
- Allow students to keep in their books boxes.
- Send home for extra reading practice.

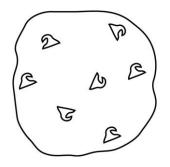
How to assemble books:





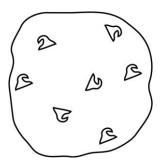




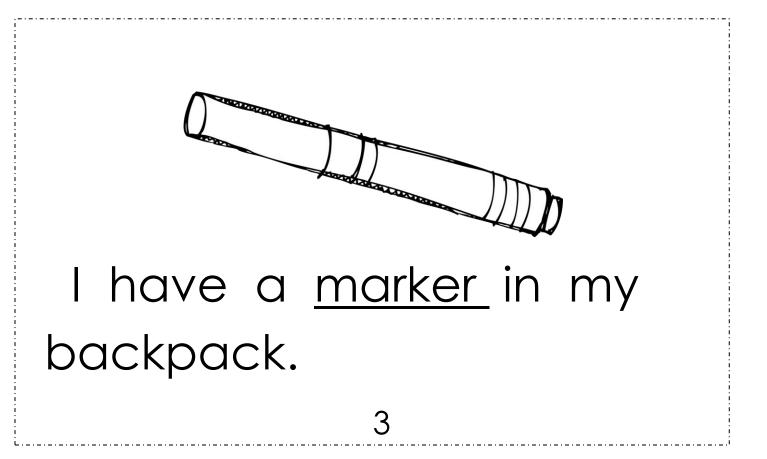


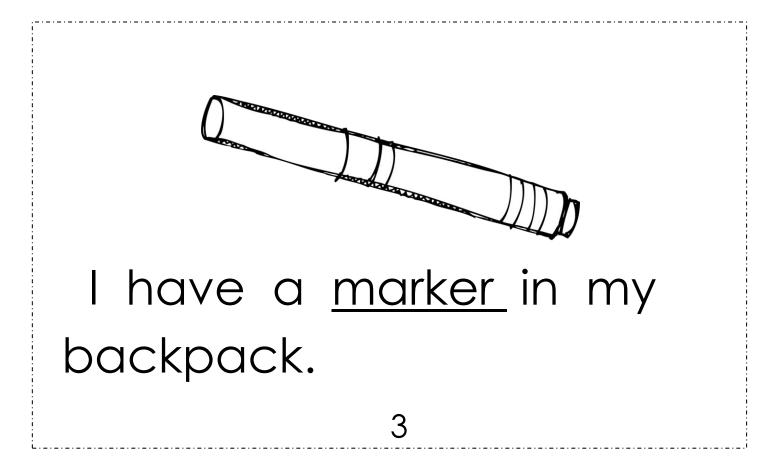
I have a <u>cookie</u> in my backpack.

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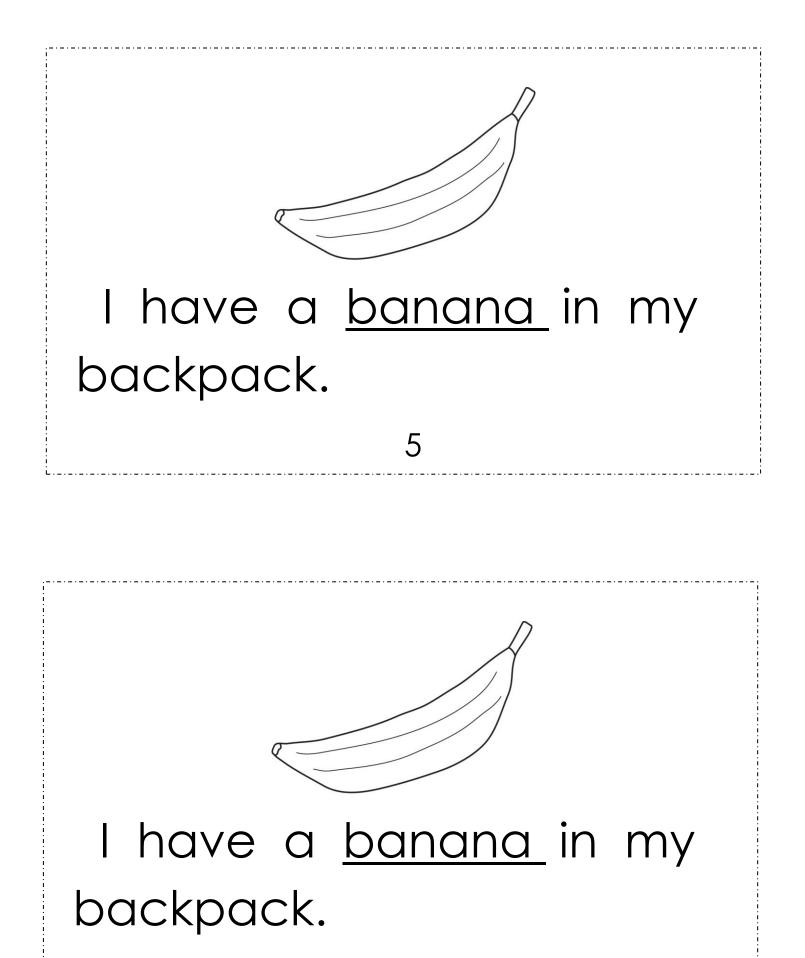
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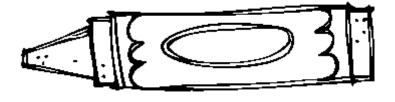
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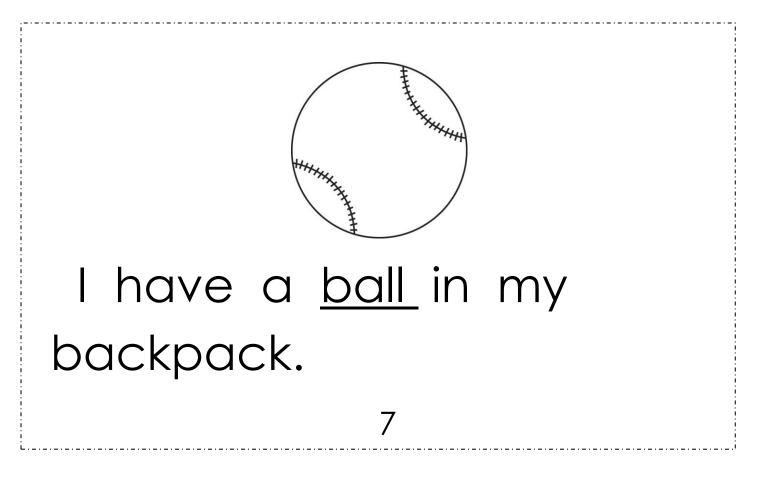


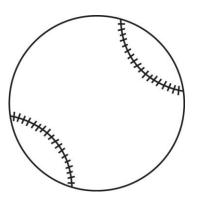
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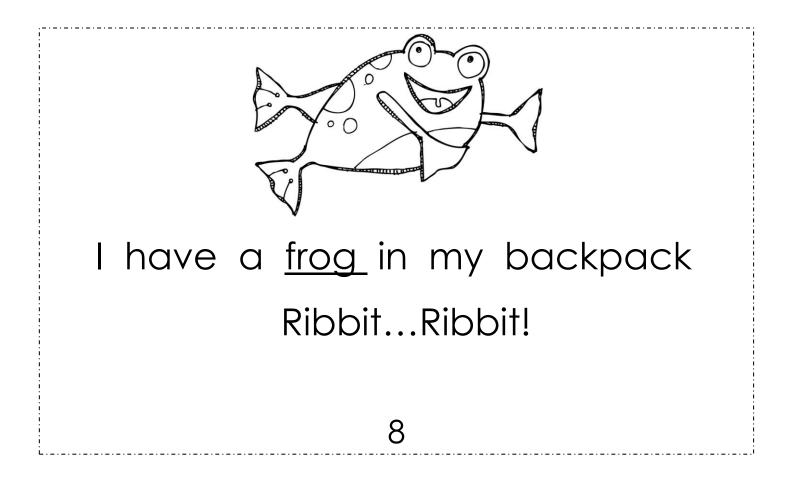


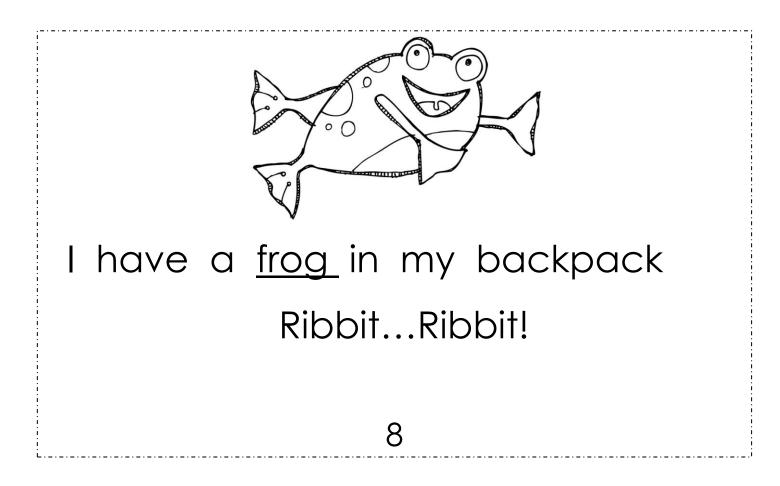
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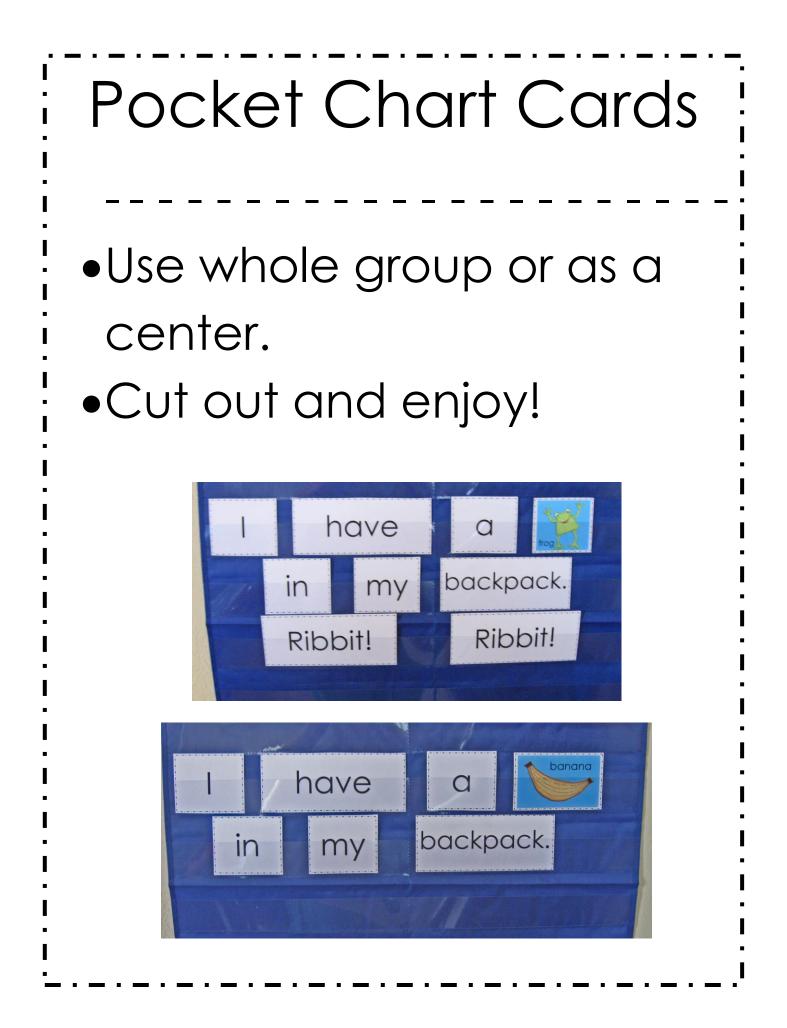


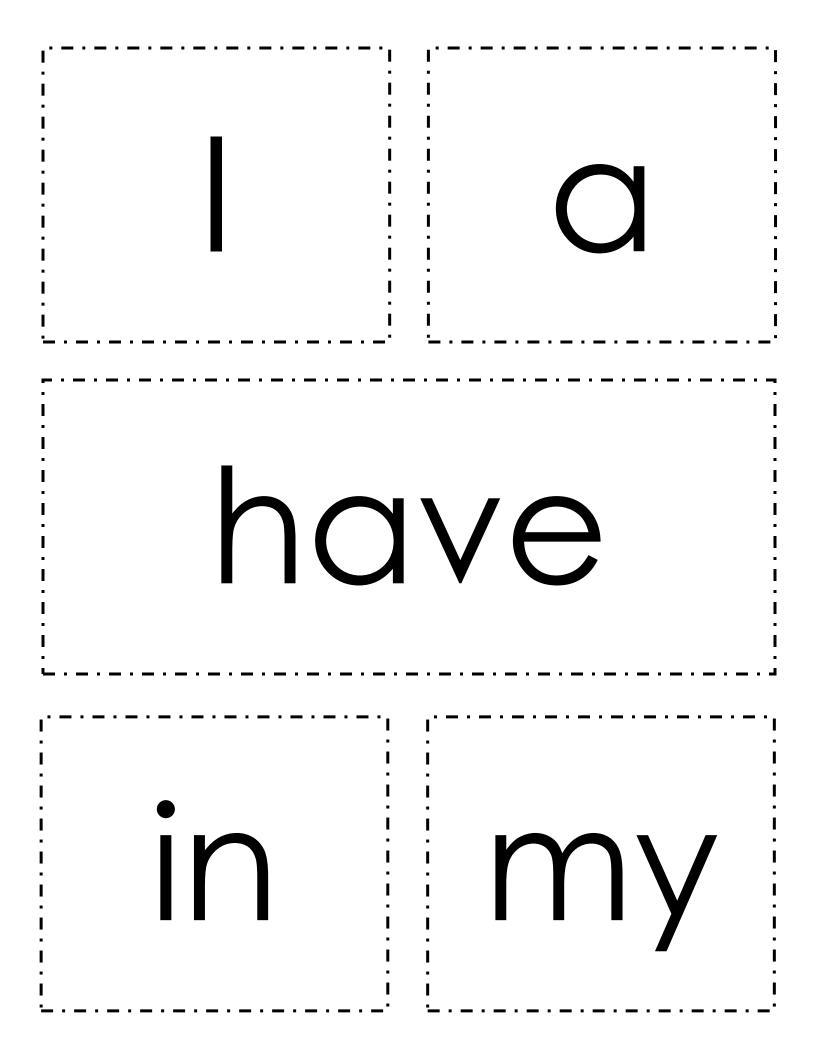


I have a <u>ball</u> in my backpack.

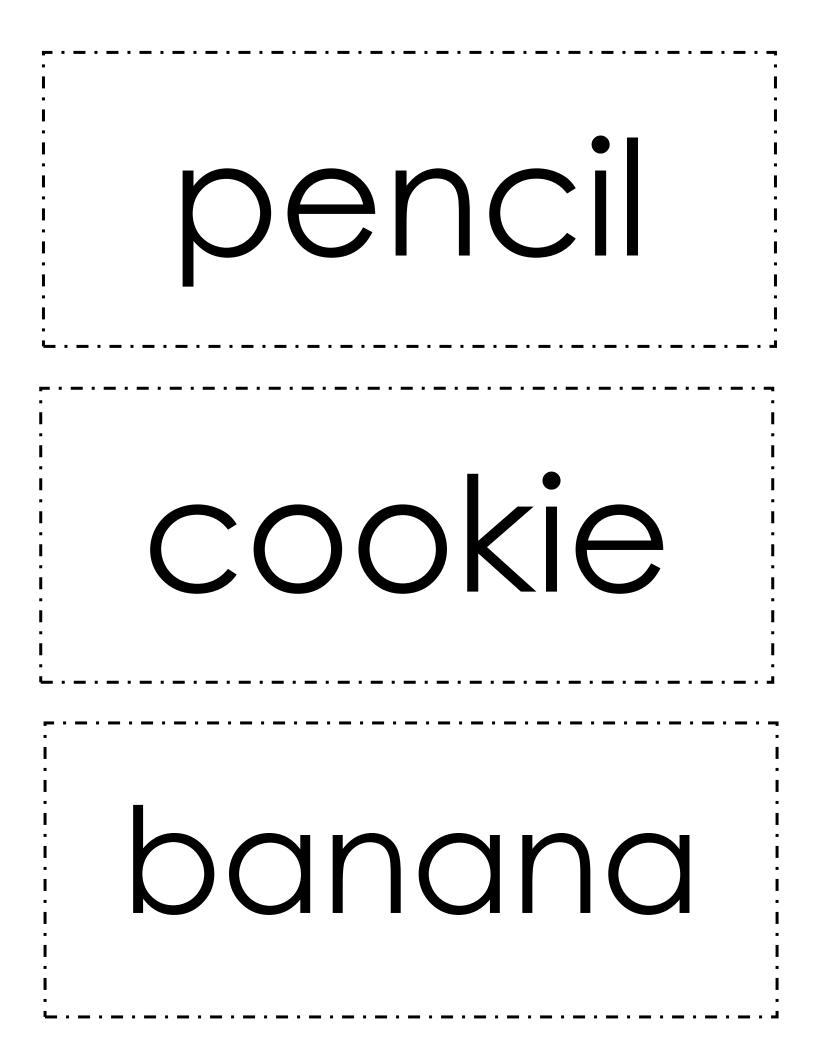


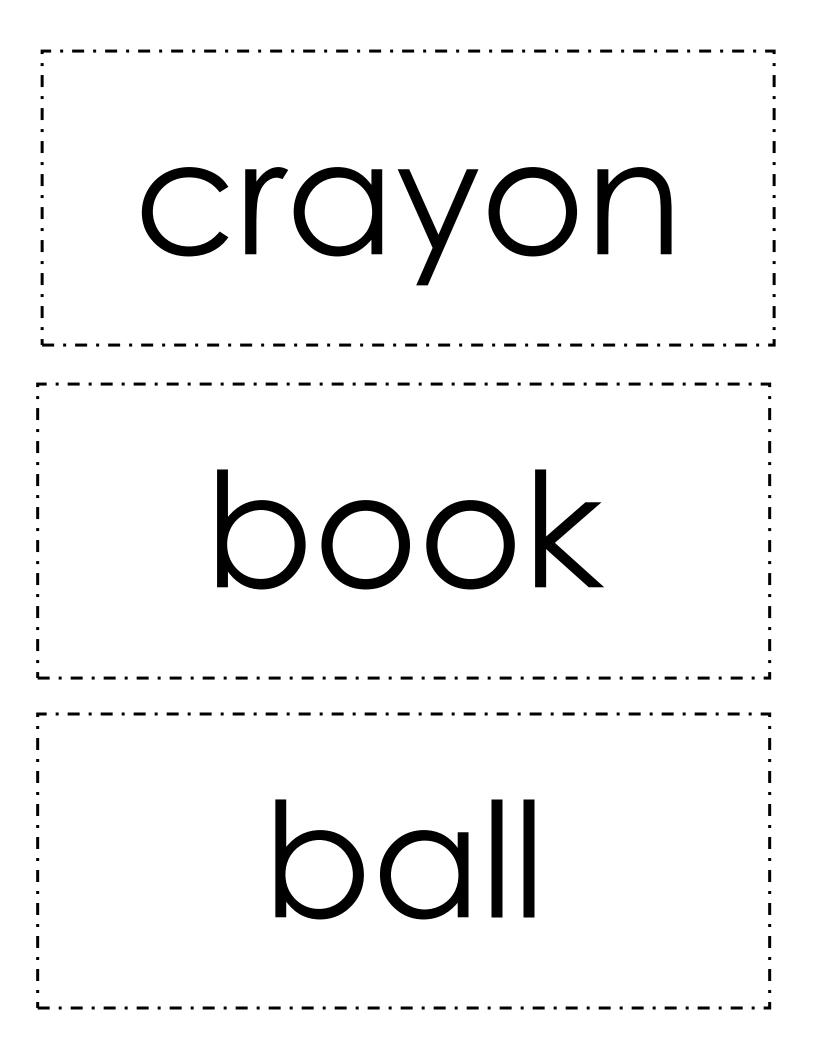




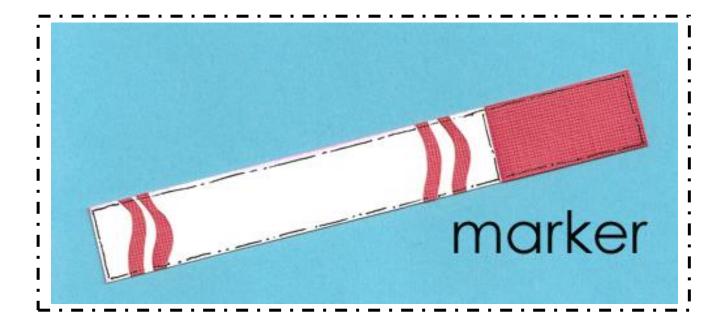


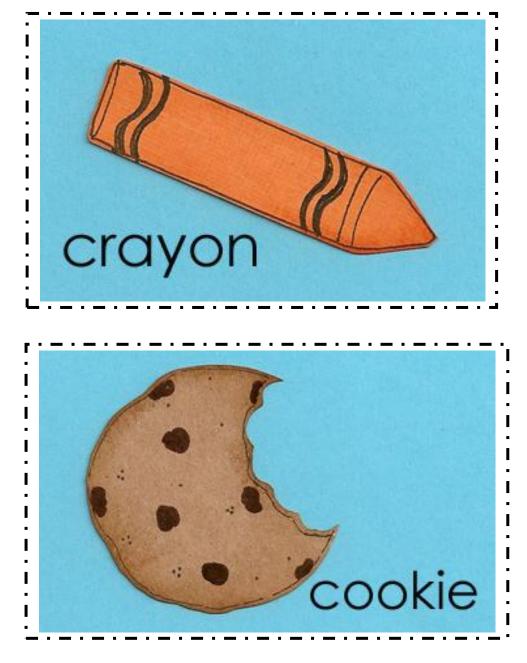


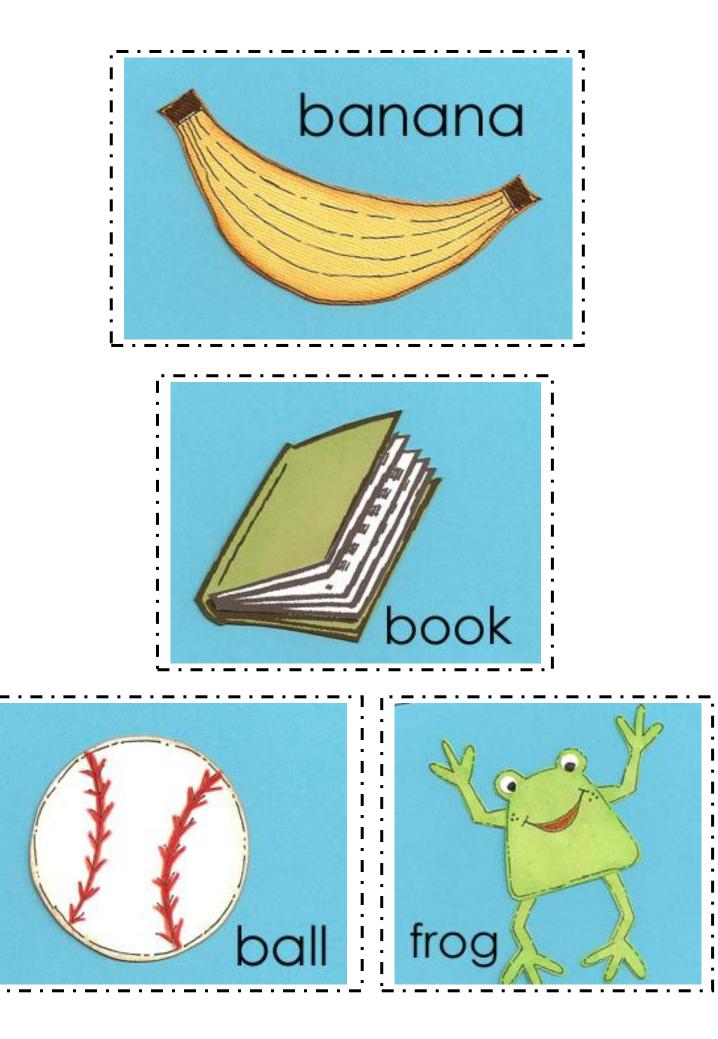












More Sight Word Activities

The following activities can be used as word work, in literacy work-stations or as take-home activities.

<u>Sentence-Building Cards</u> Have students cut cards out and use them to build sentences.

Sight Word Cut and Glue

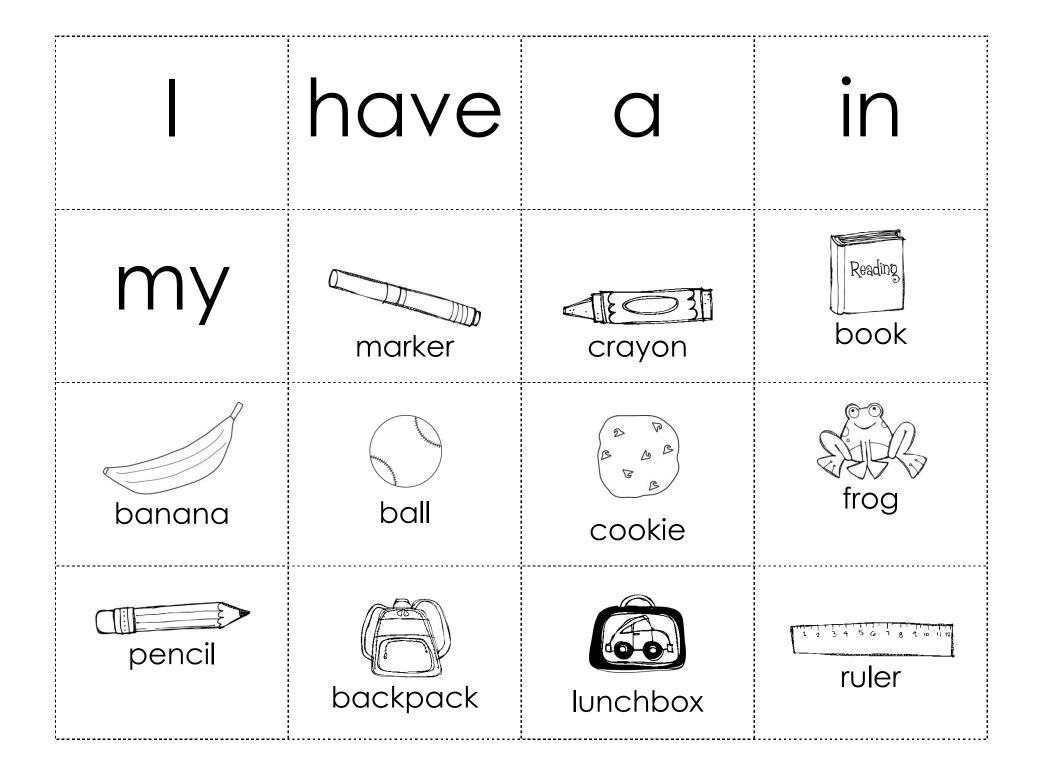
Have students cut out letters and glue them down to build sight words.

Sight Word Practice

Have students write, rainbow write, stamp, cut letters out of magazines, etc. to practice spelling sight words.

Writing Practice

Have students practice writing sentences using sight words (in conjunction with the sentence-building cards).





Sight Word Cut and Glue

Cut out the letters below and glue them down to build the following words:

hav	'e					
a						
in						
my	/					
	a	 i	m	h	a	
	У		V	n	е	

Sight Word Practice

have	
a	
in	
my	



Writing Practice
