Short and Long Vowel Sort

Directions

- 1. Cut apart the header cards and the word cards.
- 2. Use five small plastic bags to store words. Store all the words with short and long a in one plastic bag; the short and long e words in a second plastic bag; the short and long i words in a third plastic bag, the short and long o words in a plastic bag and; the short and long u words in the fifth plastic bag.
- 3. Use words from one or two plastic bags at a time.
- 4. Place the header cards in a row.
- 5. Scatter the word cards face up on the table.
- 6. Ask your child to select a word card, read the word, and say the vowel sound (for example, "**Craft**, **/ă/**.")
- 7. Ask your child to place the word card in the column under the matching header card (for example, **craft** would be placed under **back** because they both have the short a sound).
- 8. Ask your child to point to and read the sorted words. If needed, help blend the sounds to read the words.
- 9. Discuss the meanings of any unknown words.



Example

Key

past /ă/	snake /ā/	slip /ĭ/	hide /ī/	stop /ŏ/	joke /ō/	drum /ŭ/	cute /ū/	set /ĕ/	week /ē/
act	flame	ship	prize	lock	globe	shrug	use	crept	creek
camp	stale	trick	drive	pond	shone	crush	mute	shelf	street
slam	shape	spill	smile	stomp	chose	skunk	cube	blend	green
craft	tame	drift	mile	shock	broke	hunt	fume	dress	teeth
patch	brake	mint	ripe	lost	note	stuff	huge	west	queen



stop

header cards





header cards

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camp	stale
slam	shape
craft	tame
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pond	shone
stomp	chose
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crush	mute
skunk	cube
hunt	fume
stuff	huge