

25 Fun Ways to Practice Sight Words & Letters

1. **Play Dough Words** - use play dough to form letters to spell out each word.

2. **Pipe Cleaner Words** - use pipe cleaners and bend and form to make letters used to write out the words.



3. **Stamp It!** - use alphabet stamps and ink pads to stamp out words or let child use fingerprints to write words if you don't have letter stamps.



4. **Paint It!** - use a paintbrush and paint to spell words.

5. **Finger Paint** - get messy and have some sensory fun and finger paint to spell their words

6. **Reverse Chalk Writing (aka Water Writing)** - an easy and fun twist on writing words on the chalkboard. Use chalk to cover the chalkboard and have your child use a paintbrush dipped in water to write their words over it.

7. **Type It!** - Kids love getting computer time, so let them type their Word Wall words on the computer/ipad/lap top.

8. **Rainbow Words** - write words using different colored markers or crayons for each letter.

9. **Trace** - have fun and let kids trace their words on your back or palm. Have them focus on properly forming each letter so you can feel it being drawn.

10. **Sidewalk Chalk (or Paint with Water)** - go outside and spell your words using sidewalk chalk or paintbrushes and water.

11. **Shaving Cream** - This is another fun sensory experience! Make a thin layer of shaving cream on a tray and use a paintbrush or better yet a fingertip to spell out the words.

12. **Trace in the Air** - watch as children trace the letters in the air to spell each word.

13. **Letter Beads** - use alphabet letter beads and pipe cleaners to build words

14. **Alphabet Stickers** - build words using ABC stickers

15. **Small/Medium/Large Words** - How boring is it to write words 3 or 5 times each? How about jazzing it up by having kids write the word using the smallest letters they can possibly write (this one is a fave), then doing it normal sized and finally jumbo sized. It makes tedious writing practice so much more fun.

16. **Build a Word with Legos** - using some tape write each word (or letter) ahead of time on some legos. Call out a word and build until you have a sight word tower!

17. **Q-Tip Writing** - Use q-tips and paint to dot letters to spell the word or write the word using the q-tip as a paint brush.

18. **Marble Words** - Use flat bottom decorative marbles to form the letters needed to spell words.

19. **Coffee Filters & Markers** - let your child write the words using markers on coffee filters. Once you are all done, hand them a spray bottle of water and let them turn their word practice into art!

20. **Hidden Words** - on a white piece of paper let your child write out the spelling words using a white crayon. Once all words have been written use watercolors and paint to make hidden words appear.



21. **Print Words** - Use newspaper or magazine print to cut out fun letters. Have child make words using clipped letters.

22. **Novelty Erasers** - use small erasers to spell words



23. **Flashlight Words** - set up an Alphabet chart, turn out the lights and use a flashlight to shine on each letter (one letter at a time) to spell words.

24. **Craft Stick Spelling** - write the necessary letters on craft sticks, mix them up and have child build words using the appropriate sticks.

25. **Pudding Practice** - spread out a spoonful of pudding on a piece of wax paper and practice writing words or letters with your finger. Yum!