

## Short Vowels

**Short vowel patterns** usually have a single vowel followed by a consonant sound.

**Short a** is the sound you hear in the word **can**.

**Short e** is the sound you hear in the word **men**.

**Short i** is the sound you hear in the word **pig**.

**Short o** is the sound you hear in the word **pot**.

**Short u** is the sound you hear in the word **truck**.

fast	stop
spin	track
wish	lunch
bread	block

**Directions:** Use the words in the box to answer the questions below.

**Which word:**

begins with the same sound as **blast** and ends with the same sound as **look**? \_\_\_\_\_

rhymes with **stack**? \_\_\_\_\_

begins with the same sound as **phone** and ends with the same sound as **lost**? \_\_\_\_\_

has the same vowel sound as **hen**? \_\_\_\_\_

rhymes with **crunch**? \_\_\_\_\_

begins with the same sound as **spot** and ends with the same sound as **can**? \_\_\_\_\_

begins with the same sound as **win** and ends with the same sound as **crush**? \_\_\_\_\_

has the word **top** in it? \_\_\_\_\_



## FINISH IT!

Fill in the blanks with words from the word list.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ got caught before he left the bank.
2. They planned carefully for their \_\_\_\_\_ to New York City.
3. When he was tired, the baby would sleep in his \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The cat played happily with her \_\_\_\_\_.
5. "Please \_\_\_\_\_ your name on the application so I can read it," the woman said.
6. Liz and Pedro went swimming and then had a \_\_\_\_\_ at the beach.
7. She fell and broke her \_\_\_\_\_.
8. He put the \_\_\_\_\_ next to his plate on the table.
9. "I will just sit down and \_\_\_\_\_ my tea," Tanisha told Tim.
10. He ordered \_\_\_\_\_ and chips at the diner.

### WORD LIST

catnip

print

hip

napkin

fish

trip

sip

bandit

crib

picnic

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



# A GAME OF CATEGORIES

Choose words from your word list that belong in each category.

## HAVING TO DO WITH NUMBERS

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## FROM THE ANIMAL KINGDOM

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## CONTAINERS

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## THINGS TO WEAR

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## WORD LIST

hen  
bonnet  
keg  
ten  
goblet  
seven  
insect  
helmet  
hundred

vessel  
ferret  
mitten  
triplet  
basket  
belt  
octet  
kitten  
mussel

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



## FINISH IT!

Fill in the blanks with words from the word list.

1. He sat at his \_\_\_\_\_ and wrote a letter.
2. He went to the \_\_\_\_\_ to get his tooth pulled.
3. Tim and José \_\_\_\_\_ well after hiking all day in the mountains.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ laid an egg and then sat on it.
5. "Your being late is no \_\_\_\_\_," said Ieesha.
6. The spider had spun a beautiful \_\_\_\_\_ in the basement.
7. Jan helped the \_\_\_\_\_ carry the table.
8. "Kim has been playing the \_\_\_\_\_ since fifth grade," Gus said.
9. She was so excited she won the tennis match, she jumped over the \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Sam got a job so that he could pay the \_\_\_\_\_.

### WORD LIST

hen

trumpet

cobweb

slept

men

net

dentist

problem

rent

desk

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_





# LOOK IT UP!

Look up the listed words in your dictionary. Then match each word with its correct definition.

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| 1. Zen     | a. a little fish                                   |
| 2. despot  | b. a sect in the Buddhist religion                 |
| 3. millet  | c. plant that is grown to produce a fiber for rope |
| 4. hemp    | d. a type of seaweed                               |
| 5. dispel  | e. a musical notation                              |
| 6. smelt   | f. a grain used for food                           |
| 7. clef    | g. a ruler who has a great deal of power           |
| 8. inflect | h. a type of fishing net                           |
| 9. trammel | i. to turn or change, as in a tone of voice        |
| 10. kelp   | j. to drive away, to scatter                       |

Now choose five words from this list and use each one in a sentence.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_