



First Grade Sight Words List

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The 41 Dolch first grade words in the order the sounds are taught. Most read by rule once their stage is in; a heart word has one part that does not play fair, tinted with a heart over it. Tick a word when your child reads it and spells it.

1 • Short vowels

After SATPIN, the rest of the alphabet and CVC words with a, i, o, e, u

☐ an ☐ had ☐ him ☐ let

Heart words for stage 1

Once stage 1 is in

☐ a [♥]s ☐ ha [♥]s ☐ hi [♥]s ☐ o [♥]f ☐ giv [♥]e ☐ liv [♥]e ☐ s [♥]o [♥]m [♥]e
☐ o [♥]n [♥]ce ☐ c [♥]oul [♥]d ☐ p [♥]u [♥]t ☐ w [♥]ere ☐ ag [♥]ai [♥]n

2 • Digraphs, blends and doubles

After sh, ch, th, wh, ck, ng, consonant blends and -ll

☐ ask ☐ just ☐ stop ☐ then ☐ them ☐ when ☐ think
☐ thank

Heart words for stage 2

Once stage 2 is in

☐ fr [♥]o [♥]m ☐ w [♥]al [♥]k

3 • A vowel at the end says its name

After go, so, he, we and the -ing ending

☐ open ☐ going

4 • Ending patterns and bossy r

After the -old family and y saying /ee/ (happy), then ar, or, er, ir, ur

☐ old ☐ her ☐ after ☐ over ☐ every

Heart words for stage 4

Once stage 4 is in

☐ a [♥]ny

5 • Vowel teams, magic e and y as a vowel

After ay, ow and ou, magic e, then y saying its name (my, fly)

☐ may ☐ how ☐ round ☐ take ☐ by ☐ fly

Heart words for stage 5

Once stage 5 is in

☐ k [♥]now

Read it, then spell it: say the sounds, write the fair part, heart the tricky part. A word your child keeps missing usually points at a pattern (er, -nk, ay), not at more flashcards. Dictate one short sentence a day with two list words. Luvinci's phonics games practise the same patterns in the same order.



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