



short o, as in octopus

Say the three sounds, slide them together, then check the picture. Cut along the dashed lines for flash cards.



hot



pot



dot



cot



dog



log



fog



hog



jog



hop



top



mop



pop



job



cob



sob



rod



pod



cod



mom



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Every word here has the short o sound, /o/ as in octopus, the "ah" sound. Start with the word families; save the stretch words for late kindergarten and 1st grade.

Word families change the first sound, keep the ending

-ot	hot	pot	dot	cot	got	lot	not	rot
-op	hop	top	mop	pop	cop			
-og	dog	log	fog	hog	jog			
-ob	job	rob	sob	cob				
-od	nod	rod	pod	cod				
-ox	box	fox	ox					

Words that start with short o in the longer words, only the first sound is short o

on off ox otter ostrich octopus olive

Stretch words blends and digraphs, late K and 1st grade

blends	stop	spot	drop	crop	flop	frog	clog	trot	plot	blob
end blends	pond	lost	cost	soft	stomp	frost				
-ock	rock	sock	lock	dock						
digraphs	shop	chop	shot	moth	cloth	song	long	block	clock	
long words	laptop	hilltop	bobcat	cobweb	desktop					

Read it out loud

1. The **pot** is **hot**.
2. **Mom** **got** a **mop**.
3. The **dog** can **hop**.
4. A **dog** sat **on** a **log**.
5. **Rob** has a **job**.
6. The **dog** is **not on** the **cot**.

Watch out, these have an o but not the short o sound: go, no, so o says its name cold, most o is long
son, of, come o says "uh" do, to, who o says "oo" hope, note magic e makes o long



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