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## bug centers

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The activities you can do with word cards are endless! Here are a few things I do with them:

- Post the cards in a pocket chart with the included writing paper in the writing center.
- Build the word with magnet letters.
- Build the word with letter manipulatives (letter beads, letter Legos, clothespin letters, etc.).
- Write the words on included themed writing paper.
- Write the words in shaving cream.
- Write the words in a salt/sand tray.
- Write the words on a dry erase board.
- Write the words on a chalkboard. Click <u>HERE</u> to see how to make your own student chalkboards.
- Make the words using stickers.
- Stamp the words in play dough.

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- Post the words around the classroom for write the room.
- Hole punch the cards and put on a metal ring for students to use in their writing.
- Clap and sort by number of syllables.
- Sort the words by number of letters.



















# Writing & Journal Paper

Place the writing paper in the library, writing, journal, or word work center.

There are pages that are blank and some with lines. The pages that are blank can be cut in half if you would like to have half sheet writing pages. For added fun print them on colored paper!













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## bzzzz...pre-writing tracing or

### cutting cards

These cards can be cutting cards or tracing cards. You know your students best so pick what your students need or make a set of each!

Optional recording page included.

#### Tracing Cards

- Prep: Print on colored paper and laminate for durability or place in a dry erase pocket. Cut out each individually.
- Play: Students use dry erase markers to trace the various types of lines.

#### Cutting Cards

- Prep: Print on white or colored paper. Cut out each individually.
- Play: Students use scissors to cut along the lines. Option: Keep as a work sample for his/her portfolio.





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# caterpillar names

Print the circles on your choice of colored paper. Cut small rectangles and glue to the bottom of the caterpillar for legs.

#### Differentiation Ideas: Writing

- You write the letters on the circles and the students trace the letters
- Students write their first names
- Students write their last names
- Students write their name in uppercase letters
- Students write their name in sentence case
- Cutting
- You cut out the circles
- Students cut out some of the circles and you cut out the rest
- Students cut out all the circles



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# JOING LUGGY SYIIALIC SORT

This is a fun activity students can do to practice segmenting words with I, 2, 3, and 4 syllables.

Print and laminate for durability. GLUE OR TAPE to a popsicle stick. Fill small buckets, pots, or containers halfway with fake grass or dried peas. Tape the sorting headers to the front of each bucket.

Directions:

Students pick a word card, clap the syllables, and sort the bug cards by number of syllables by placing them in the matching bucket of grass. Optional recording page included.









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# catch a bug letter & sounds

Print and laminate for durability. Cut out each piece. How to Play: Students match the letters and/or initial sound.

To differentiate:

- Only match the uppercase and lowercase letters.
- Put out some of the letters sets or put out all of the letter sets.
- Match the uppercase letters, lowercase letters, and initial sounds.

#### Optional recording pages.
























## letters, names, or sight Gords

fly soat it!

Swat it! can be used many ways: with letters, with student names, and with sight words. Print and laminate the fly letters, fly swatters, and word cards.

### Directions:

Letters:

Students spread out the fly letters. Students take turns identifying a letter and swatting it with the fly swatter. OR

Students make a stack of lowercase letter cards and spread out the uppercase fly letters. Then flip over a lowercase letter card, swat the matching uppercase card, and set the pair to the side. Play until all the letter cards have a pair.

They place it on their board and READ it. Then BUILD the word/letter with fly letters. Last, they swat it, read it (and spell the word). Optional recording pages included.

#### Words (sight words or student names):

Student's pick a word card and make the word with the fly letters. Then read the word and say/swat the letters.





























































































































# Fly Read & Write Name: Read the word and write it on the line. POCKET OF PRESCHOOL



## hungry caterpillar story cards

Retelling books using story cards builds reading comprehension, fluency, and vocabulary. Two sets of story cards are included (lifecycle and what caterpillar eats). Use one set of cards at a time.

Print and laminate the story cards. Place a magnet on the back if you want to stick them to board.

How to use story cards:

- Use during circle: Before you read, talk about the story cards (lifecycle of a butterfly or what the caterpillar eats). Hand out the story cards at this time if you want students to place the cards on the chart. As you read the book put the story cards on the board or in a pocket chart. Review story cards after you read and make connections.
- Students use during centers: Place the cards and the book in a center for students to retell independently
- For added fun make a can into a caterpillar. Place the food cards into the caterpillar as you read the story.





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### Life cycle cards










































## Luild a caterpillar: Count or add

Print and laminate for durability. Cut out each piece and addition board.

How to Play:

Counting: Students line up the caterpillar heads in order. Then match the numbers, ten Frame, and counting hands.

To differentiate: Only put out cards 1-5 or put out all the cards 1-10.

Adding: Students line up the caterpillar heads in order. Then match up two numbers that equal it on the addition mat to create the number sentence. To differentiate: Only put out cards 1-5 or put

out all the cards I-10.













# **Caterpillar** count Name: Draw the matching number of circles to create a caterpillar.











ladybug count or add craft

Read the ladybug craft pieces for specific printing directions.

#### Directions

- Trace the ladybug body on black paper and cut out.
- Cut out the wings and number circle
- Staple or use metal brads to attach the ladybug wings to the body. Glue the red number circle under the wings on the body of the ladybug.
- Cut out and glue the eyes on.
- Paint or glue back dots to each wing.
  - Count: Count the number of dots. Write the number on the number circle.
  - Add: Count the number of dots on each wing. Use the numbers to write a number sentence on the number circle. Add the dots and write the total.
  - \*\*\*If you students can, let them trace and cut out their own pieces!\*\*\*

### Make a Class Book!

Glue the ladybug crafts to construction paper to create an interactive math class book for the classroom library.





Ladybug body pattern: Cut out and use as a stencil. Trace on black paper and cut out. Or copy on black paper.







set of eyes. Ladybug Eyes: Copy on white paper and cut out. Each student will need one

## bee hive shapes

Print and laminate. Cut out each hive mat and shape bee.

How to Play

Students identify the shape on the hive and place the matching shape bees on top of it. Optional recording page.















# Shape bees & hives

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### Name:

Directions: Color. Cut out the bees and glue them to the matching hive.



# Shape bees & hives POCKET OF PRESCHOOL Name: Directions: Color. Cut out the bees and glue them to the matching hive.

# LUJ Sort

Print and laminate for durability. Keep the sorting boards together as one piece or cut apart to use in a pocket chart.

How to play: Students can sort the items various ways on each sorting board. Optional student recording page.

Sorting Boards:

- fly, crawl
- insect, not an insect
- small, medium, large
- student choice (use the blank board)















# BU9 sorting

## Name:

Cut out and sort the bugs by size.



# Lutterfly symmetry

Butterflies are the perfect animal to help students explore and learn all about symmetry!

This activity can have three parts. Use one, two, or all the components of this activity.

Symmetry Puzzles: Students match the butterfly puzzles. Notice and talk about how each side is the same. To prep this activity: Print, laminate, and cut out the butterfly puzzles.

Match it Symmetry: Students draw a matching symmetrical design on the blank side of the butterfly with dry erase markers. To prep this activity print on colored paper and laminate the butterflies.

**Create Symmetry:** Students color a butterfly that has symetical designs. To prep this activity print the blank butterflies on white or colored paper. Two sizes: full page or 4 to page.





















## LUGGY NUMBER MATS

This is a fun activity students can do to practice one to one correspondence, number recognition, and writing numbers.

Print and laminate or place in a page protector

## Ways to Play

- Roll balls with play dough, and place the corresponding number in the ten frame.
- Roll play dough snakes to form the number.
- Use bug counters or mini erasers.
- Write the number and the number word with a dry erase marker.

Optional recording page.
















































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