

THE FIXED-UP-ONE ROUTINE FOR THE CONSONANT CLUSTER /sw/


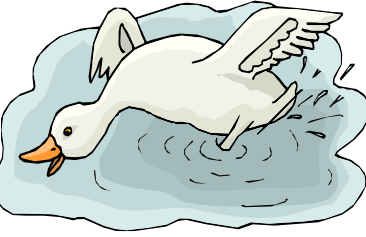



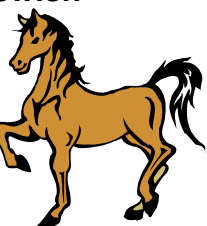
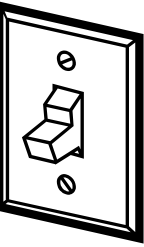


two steps Imagery Ideas / Metalinguage for Clusters



Refer to consonant clusters as “two-step words”, and “walk” with your fingers to denote the two consonants (2 steps) in onset in the cluster words, and the one consonant (1 step) in onset for singleton words. Alternatively, or as well, refer to consonant clusters as “friends”. In the production phase cue correct syllable structure with silent finger-walking, and “You forgot your friend”, “was that a 2-step?”, “I didn’t hear the first bit”, etc.

friends



<p><b>swim</b></p> 	<p><b>swan</b></p> 	<p><b>sweeping</b></p> 
<p>Say to your child, “Listen, if I said ‘wim’ instead of ‘swim’ it wouldn’t sound right. I’d think to myself, no, not ‘wim’, it’s ‘swim’. I’d need to fix it up and say ‘swim’”.</p>	<p>“A swan can swim. Swan. But if I said, ‘A wonn can swim’, I would need to quickly remember that the ‘s’ needs a friend. I would have to say ‘swan’”. (“walk” as you say this)</p>	<p>“He is sweeping. If I said ‘weeping’ instead of ‘sweeping’ what would I have to do? I’d have to ...fix it up!”</p>
<p><b>sweet</b></p> 	<p><b>swat</b></p> 	<p><b>swish</b></p> 
<p>“His candy cane tastes very sweet. It’s not ‘weet’ is it? If I say ‘weet’ I have to quickly remind myself to fix it up and put the first bit in. It is supposed to be ‘sweet’”.</p>	<p>“He will wott the fly. Would I need to fix it up if I said wott the fly instead of swat the fly?”</p>	<p>“The horse can wish his tail. WISH? Uh oh! I need to do a ...”</p>
<p><b>switch</b></p> 	<p><b>swing</b></p> 	<p><b>sweaty</b></p> 
<p>“Is this a ‘witch’? No, I missed out the first bit. I need to fix it up and say ‘switch’”.</p>	<p>“If I said she is having a ‘wing’ what would I have to do? I would have to do a ...”</p>	<p>“Does this sound right to you? She is hot and wetty. What should I do about ‘wetty’? Do I need to fix up ‘wetty’?”</p>

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