



# Reading Fluency Games

**Sight Word Fluency:** Put sight word cards into a bag and time how fast it takes to read the words in the bag. Try again and track your progress.

**Sight Word Puzzle Cards:** Write sight words/vocabulary words on index cards and cut them apart into two puzzle pieces. Shuffle all the pieces together and try to put the words back together again. Read the words once you finish.

**ZAP!** Put sight words and/or Fry phrases on craft sticks or index cards. Add a ZAP! Stick/card for every 15 words. Set a timer for 2-3 minutes. Take turns pulling cards or sticks out of a sandwich bag or can. You get to keep the stick/card if you read the word correctly, if you make a mistake the word goes back into the bag/can. If you pull ZAP! all the cards/sticks go back into the bag/can and you begin again. The person with the most sticks/cards when the timer ends is the winner.

**BANG!** Put sight words and or Fry phrases on index cards (or use the same things from ZAP!). Set the timer for 2-3 minutes and take turns pull a card and reading the word. If you miss the word, you write down a "B" and the game continues. When the timer sounds, the person who is taking a turn earns a letter. (This game is a lot like "HORSE" in basketball.) The first person to spell BANG! loses or wins depending on how you want to play at home.

**Spotlight Words:** Post words around the house and turn off all the lights. Set a timer for 2-3 minutes. Go on a spotlight search with a flashlight. Every time you find a word, collect the word and read it. Once the timer ends, take the words back to a table and reread the words and count how many words you were able to collect. Repeat. Keep track of your progress and celebrate.

**READ! READ! READ! READ! READ!**

Success with reading continues to come back to continuous practice as children develop a deeper vocabulary.