

WORD CHAIN USING COUNTERS (PROVIDE THE SOUND CHANGE)

Place counters in front of the child. Touch each counter in turn saying the sounds of the first word. Ask the child to blend the word. Then move one counter and replace it with a new counter while telling the child the new sound. Ask them to blend the new word. Repeat for each word on the list. Digraphs such as 'QU', 'SH', 'CH', 'TH' and 'NG' are treated as sounds not letters. Magic-E is an individual letter that can be added or subtracted from words and therefore needs an individual counter which is a special colour to highlight its role as 'Magic E'.

	Short and Long A	Short and Long I	Short and Long U	Short and Long O	Mixed Vowels
1	can	kit	<u>m</u> uck	note	fume
2	ran	kite	<u>d</u> uck	not	fame
3	rat	site	du <u>k</u> e	hot	fade
4	hat	sit	dun <u>e</u>	<u>s</u> hot	fad
5	had	sin	tun <u>e</u>	<u>s</u> hop	mad
6	hand	fin	tun	cop	made
7	sand	fine	tub	cope	mate
8	sad	dine	cub	hope	mite
9	sat	din	cube	hop	site
10	<u>s</u> ack	<u>ch</u> in	cute	<u>ch</u> op	spite
11	<u>sh</u> ack	pin	cut	top	spit
12	<u>sh</u> ake	pine	tut	stop	spot
13	sake	line	tub	slop	pot
14	snake	wine	tube	slope	lot
15	<u>sn</u> ack	win	tune	lope	not
16	snap	twin	fume	lobe	note
17	nap	tin	flume	lob	<u>qu</u> ote
18	lap	din	flute	cob	<u>qu</u> ite
19	clap	did	lute	con	<u>qu</u> it
20	cap	lid	<u>ch</u> ute	cone	sit
21	cape	slid	ute	clone	sat
22	cane	slide	use	lone	spat
23	can	side	fuse	tone	spate