

## Tips For Share Sheets

### Letter Sounds

- Build a "library of sounds" --adding new ones as new Share Sheets are sent home.
- Some sounds are developmental and may take your child a while before s/he is able to pronounce them correctly.
- "Th, sh, ch, wh" are often difficult for kids to recognize as one sound.
- Don't forget to use sounds as endings also!
- Help your child recognize vowel sounds and consonant sounds.

### Blending

- Can be very difficult to teach and learn!!
- Try having your child "sing" the sounds.
- Use your finger to reveal one sound at a time and don't let your child change the sound s/he is saying until you uncover the next sound.
- Have your child blend the last two sounds first and then add the beginning sound.
- Continue to model again, and again, and again.

### Sight Words

- They are either really easy or really hard.
- It is difficult to form a picture in your mind of "was."
- Try having kids find them in sentences from books or magazines, then read the sentence to them. This helps the word have meaning.

### Sentence Completion and Scrambled Sentences

- These activities help to show if kids are understanding the meaning of sentences.
- Write the words on cards so your child can move the words around.
- Help your child develop a strategy for performing this task and use the same one each time.

- Not all parts need to be done in one setting
- Use games whenever possible
- Tape words and sounds around the house and have child read them each time s/he walks by one.