Sight Word City



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Note from the Author

My name is Cherry Carl, and I retired in June, 2003, after 35 years as a teacher and Language Arts Specialist in Santee, California. However, I continued my role as an instructor at the University of California, San Diego, in the Reading Specialist Certification Program until June of 2009.

I wasn't ready to retire. Teaching is in my blood! (My mother always reminded me that when I was little, I dragged the neighborhood kids in to play school whether they wanted to or not!) I still have the strong desire to make a difference for teachers, parents, and students. I'm passionate about the joy of knowing how to read and write and want every child to have the experience of closing a book with a sigh, "Wow, that was a good book!" The only way they can do that is by having the necessary skills and strategies to become independent readers. Teachers and parents need to be aware of the all-important instructional tools and "promising practices." This CD has been created to provide resources and materials for classroom teachers, reading specialists and parents. Please feel free to download and print.

This CD was created at the request of Julie Burchfield to use with her first graders and to share with her team. Thanks, Julie, for providing the incentive for me to be creative and for believing in me.

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Sight Word City is a supplemental, instructional program that is appropriate for first graders, second language learners and for children who are having difficulties with beginning reading. It is meant to build independence and fluency in word recognition, spelling and writing. All the materials are reproducible and may be shared with your staff and parents. Some may be used as part of classroom centers during your language arts block.

Included for each week are six-page packets that include the following practice pages for five sight words: Configuration Station, What's Missing, Where Are the Words? (word search), Rhyme Time (cut and paste), Order in the Court (ABC order), Clever Connector (opposites), Awesome Artist (illustrating sight word in context), and Score with Scrabble. As children complete these packets they gain confidence in their ability to be successful.

Colorful Word Card Sets may be duplicated to play memory games or Go Fish or to build automaticity in word recognition. Each card has a picture and a sentence with the word in context.

Color and Write booklets may be reproduced and used to build handwriting skills. The artwork matches the word cards, but they are in black and white for student coloring and completion in a literacy center. The sentence appears twice, once in a dotted letter format for tracing with space beneath for students to rewrite the sentence.

Jigsaw puzzles with pictures and sentences may be reproduced and used in a pocket chart or as a tabletop/floor activity. Labels are included for organizing puzzles for storage in large envelopes. It is suggested that the colorful puzzles and word cards be laminated for durability

Finally, the program includes reproducible sight word readers and matching big books for shared reading for each week. Pocket chart activities for the readers help build word recognition, comprehension and sequencing skills. Individual readers should be placed in student familiar reading boxes/baskets for repeated reading and fluency.

Sight Word City: First Grade Week 1 - 6

Week#	Packet	Reader	Big	Word	Color/	Jigsaw
			Book	Cards	Write	Puzzle
Week 1	Х	Just for You	Х	Х	Х	Х
the, for, and, is, do		Dos and Don'ts of Dirt	X			
		What Do You See?	X			
		Did You See Me?	X			
		Do You See The				
Week 2	X	I Looked in My Camera	X	X	X	X
want, saw, his, go, to		A Dog Can Go to School	X			
		We Like to Go	X			
		Go to Bed Fred!	X			
		Places to Sleep	X			
Week 3	X	Things to See in Our Classroom	Х	Х	Х	Χ
see, does, what, school		Things We See in the Fall	X			
		What Do You See?	X			
		What Do We See at Christmas?	X			
		What Do We Do at School?	X			
Week 4	X	Open Up	Х	Х	Х	Х
she, you, out, up		Look Up and See	X			
		She is (2)	XX			
		Does She Know How to Work Out?	X			
		Does He Ever?	X			
		I am Super!				
Week 5	X	Come Here, Cat	Х	Х	Х	Х
what, come, make,		Leaves Will Come Down	X			
they		Yes, They Will	X			
		Does He Ever?	X			
Week 6	X	Who Needs Help Now?	X	Х	Х	Х
have, who, too, help		I Have a	X			
		What Do You Have?	X			
		Every Day Snacks	X			
		I Have My Yoyos with Me	Х			
		Let's Have a Bite	X			
		Who Went Where	X			

Sight Word City: First Grade Week 7 - 13

Week#	Packet	Reader	Big Book	Word Cards	Color/ Write	Jigsaw Puzzle
Week 7 all, down, very, new	Х	Leaves Will Come Down Have You Met Our New Friend? Let's All Play Let's All Play Ball	X X X	Х	Х	Х
Week 8 or, good, use, then, no	Х	Good Night! Good Night! Eat Your Veggies Three Little Bears 5 Ladybugs First There's You No Thank You Is This a Surfer Dude	X X X X X X	X	Х	Х
Week 9		REVIEW				-
Week 10 give, be, eat, want, call	Х	I Will Be There to Eat Let's Eat Kids in the Kitchen Do You Want Another?	X X X	Х	Х	Х
Week 11 as, your, of, under, by	Х	Stop by and Listen to Them Sing Hold Your Horses	X	Х	Х	Х
Week 12 any, also, walk, day, around	Х	Walking the Dog Oh, What a Day This Was a Big Day! It's Been a Long Day! Get Right On!	X X X X	Х	Х	Х
Week 13 here, there, away, now, today	Х	Here and There Who Needs Help Now? Get This Away from Me! Here is One Gray Elephant Summer is Here	X X X X	Х	Х	Х

Sight Word City: First Grade Week 14 - 23

Week#	Packet	Reader	Big	Word	Color/	Jigsaw
			Book	Cards	Write	Puzzle
Week 14	X	Into the Water	X	X	X	
why, her, way, grow, water		We Play with Water	X			
		On My Way In	X			
Week 15	X	Everyone Needs Food	X	X	X	
every, live, find, food, more		Who Lives on the Farm	X			
		I Will Be There to Eat	X			
Week 16	X	We Should Be Together	Х	X	X	
been, one, together, should,		Some Things Go Together	X			
pretty		Who's Been Eating My Garden	X			
		One Fly Flew	X			
Week 17		REVIEW				
Week 18	X	Where Am I from?	X	Х	Х	
say, where, from, happy,		This is From Me	X			
upon		Get This Away From Me!	X			
Week 19	Х	Hard to Write	X	Х	Х	Х
off, watch, found, hard,		Look What I Found				
write		Take Off and Move!	X			
Week 20	X	Would You Know Where?	X	Х	X	X
know, would, put, large,		I Know How to Cut	X			
other		Does She Know How to Work Out?	X			
		Most People Know	X			
		What Would You Pick?	X			
		Would You Like Two More				
		You Put Your Right Hand Up (Song)				
Week 21	X	I Sure Like That	Х	Х	X	Х
sure, said, full, great, color						
Week 22	X	I Wish These Things Would Work	Х	Х	Х	Х
knew, won, began, better,		Better!				
guess		Guess Who Won	X			
Week 23	X	Gone! Gone! Gone!	Х	Х	Х	Х
goes, gone, boy, girl, old		Who goes Where?	X			
		What Goes Up Must Come Down	X			

Sight Word City: First Grade Week 24 - 29

Week#	Packet	Reader	Big	Word	Color/	Jigsaw
			Book	Cards	Write	Puzzle
Week 24	X	Who Knows How to Jump?	Х	X	Х	Х
says, jump, so, ago, how		This Cow Knows How	X			
		How Many?	X			
		I Know How to Cut	X			
		Does She Know How to Work Out?	X			
Week 25	X	Doggie Dinner	X	X	X	X
Some, done, again, after,		What Do You Do After School?	X			
soon		What Are You Waiting For?	X			
		Pretty Soon, My Friend!	X			
		Some Kids Share	X			
		Did You See Me				
Week 26	X	How Many?	Х	Х	X	X
very, many, work, animal.		Thank You Very Much	X			
carry		Work! Work! Work! (s)	x			
		We Carry with Care	x			
		Carry Those Kleenex	X			
		Who Can Work This Machine?	X			
Week 27	X	Into the Water He Goes	X	X	X	X
Look, our, which, into,		Look Up and See	X			
small		Look Who Vacuums	X			
		Have You Met Our New Friend?	X			
		Which Do You Like Best	X			
Week 28	X	Something to Laugh About	X	X	X	X
their, about, start, laugh,		5 Ladybugs	X			
over		Crazy About Ice Cream*	X			
		Ask Us About School	X			
		Once Upon a Time	X			
		Some Kids Share	X			
Week 29		REVIEW				

Sight Word City: First Grade Week 30 - 36

Week#	Packet	Reader	Big Book	Word	Color/	Jigsaw
				Cards	Write	Puzzle
Week 30	X	Could I Should I Would I	X	Х	Х	Х
could, once, mother,		My Mother Made My Lunch	X			
brother, father		My Brother	X			
		My Brother Wants to Drive a Car	X			
		A Father Has a Lot to Do	X			
Week 31	X	Sipping Soda Through a Straw	X	X	Х	Х
always, were, through,		Walk Your Dog	X			
early, nothing		Nothing at All!	X			
Week 32	Х	Hanging Around with Animals in the Wild	Х	Х	Х	Х
around, only, oh, learn,		Oh, What a Day!	X			
thought		I Thought I Might	Х			
Week 33	X	Take Off and Move	X	Х	X	X
move, anyone, above,		We Are Moving!	X			
busy, door		Busy Bears (2)	XX			
Week 34	X	My Favorite Stuffed Things	Х	Х	Х	Х
because, other,		l Love My Hair!	X			
favorite, friend, love		What Do Babies Love?	X			
		I Love My Job!	X			
		We Love Recess!				
Week 35	X	What Do You Wear in the Snow?	Х	Х	Х	Х
wear, talk, year,		Do You Wear a Hat?	X			
month, children		Who Wears a Tie?	X			
		Hats, Hats and More Hats	X			
Week 36		REVIEW				