

This week your child is Reading

Rat on the Rug

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Words

Some new words
your child is learning

Regular Words for sounding out;

sit, sun, rug, dips, fun, get, up, fat, rat,
run, in, and, on, Nat, big, tips, cat

Other words to tell your child;

they, Tāne, the, a, sees

Sounds

Some new sounds
your child is learning

s, f, g, r

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Some fun ways you can play with sounds and words at home

- Choose a letter, and have a race to hunt out objects starting with the sound that your letter makes. For example, you might choose the letter 's', that makes a 's' sound. Then you and your child have a race to find 5 things in your home that start with a 's' sound. Talk about the names of the objects you find together, and the letter and sound they start with. Some ideas for the letter 's' include: salt, a seat, socks, soap, and spaghetti.
- Pretend to be a snake and slither around your house, or through obstacles. Make the 'sss' sound that a snake makes while you are doing this.
- Play a fishing game with objects in your house that start with the 'f' sound. Narrate what you are catching and elongate the 'f' sound while doing it.
- e.g. "I'm catching a ffffffish! I'm going to catch a fffffly!"
- Go on a treasure hunt around your house and find things that start with either the letter 's' or 'f'. When you find something you need to say the sound as loud as you can before you can look for another object. The person who finds and says the most 's' or 'f' objects wins!

