

## Picture Puzzles

Back to Blending



### Materials

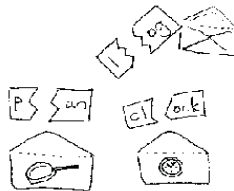
1. Index cards
2. Envelopes
3. Crayons or markers
4. Scissors



Virginia SOLs: K.4, 1.6

### Procedure

1. Write words on index cards. Draw or glue pictures on envelopes to match the word inside the envelope.
2. Have children cut apart each word, letter by letter, in a zig-zag pattern to make puzzle pieces. Have them place words together while blending the phonemes aloud. Store puzzle pieces in matching envelopes.
3. Have students trade envelopes and repeat the process. More advanced learners can make new puzzles using their own pictures and words.



Source:

Fitzpatrick, J. (1997). *Phonemic awareness: Playing with sounds to strengthen beginning reading skills* (pp. 59). Cypress, CA: Creative Teaching Press.