

## **SIGHT WORD PRACTICE**

Sight word practice is an important part of your child's summer reading routine. Remember to practice regularly, following the steps below with your child:

**STEP 1:** Select about ten to twenty words from your child's sight word box (from all sections, including grads) and ask your child to read them aloud to you.

**STEP 2:** If the word is read correctly, move on to the next word. If the word is read incorrectly, read the word to your child. Ask them to "take a picture" of the word in their mind and then cover the word once they have done so.

**STEP 3:** Ask them to "air write" the word, saying each of the letters out loud.

**STEP 4:** Then ask them to say the word aloud without looking at the card. You can also ask letter placement questions: for example, "What is the first letter you picture?" or "What is the last letter you picture?" Then, ask them to tell you all of the letters in order and say the word again.

**STEP 5:** If they can't picture all of the letters, show the card again and repeat the process (prompt them to "take a picture" and "air write" the word again). If they repeat all the letters correctly, show them the card again and ask them to read the word one more time. If correct, you can move on. If it is a tricky word, please read it for your child and make a conscious effort to practice the word multiple times until it is easily identified.

**STEP 6:** Keep revisiting challenging words throughout the summer.