- 1. Cut apart the word family cards (5) and the first sound cards (14).
- 2. Select a word family card.
- 3. Select a first sound card and add it to the beginning of the word family card to make a real word.
- 4. Read the word.
- 5. Write the word and draw a picture of it on the activity sheet.
- 6. Build a new word by replacing the first sound card with a new first sound card.
- 7. Continue to build each word, write each word, and draw a picture for each word for each word family.



#### **Books to Share**

#### **Suggested Books for Word Family Practice**

These books include word families. Word families are groups of words that share the same letter patterns. An example of a word family is **cat**, **bat**, **sat**, **rat**, **mat**. As you read, you can point out the words that have the same letter patterns and talk about how the words rhyme. You can read to your child or take turns reading a page to each other!

The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss

*Now I'm Reading* by Nora Gaydos (Level 1)

Fox in Socks by Dr. Seuss

Word Family Tales (a series) by Liza Charlesworth

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