Get Out of the Wagon!

a rhyming activity



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The ability to recognize rhyme is an important skill. It enables children to notice that rhyming words often have shared letter sequences, such as -all in *tall*, *ball*, and *small*, which provides a considerable head start in learning to read. This simple activity is a delightful way to build rhyming ability, and it's lots of fun, too!



Instructions

- 1. Print the activity sheets on pages 3-5 (color version) or 6-8 (black-and-white version).
- 2. Cut out the picture cards and go over them with your child to make sure he or she understands what each picture represents.
- 3. Choose three cards to place in the wagon: two that rhyme and one that does not.
- 4. Say the words aloud with your child.
- 5. Have your child identify the picture card that does not rhyme and take it out of the wagon, saying "Get out of the wagon!"
- 6. Repeat with different groups of cards.

Note: If your child needs extra help with this activity, use the following dialogue:

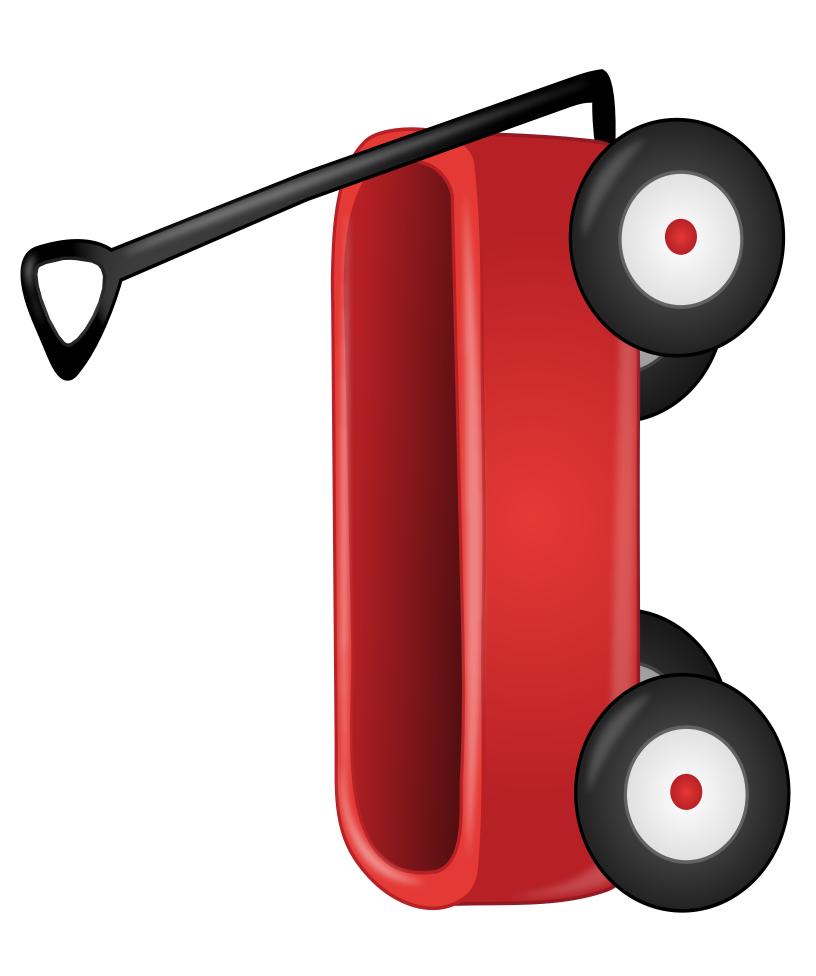
"Help me find the picture that rhymes with *bat*. -At, -at, -at. What sounds like -at at the end?" *Child finds the hat.*

"Good! Bat and hat sound the same at the end, so they rhyme."

Answer Key

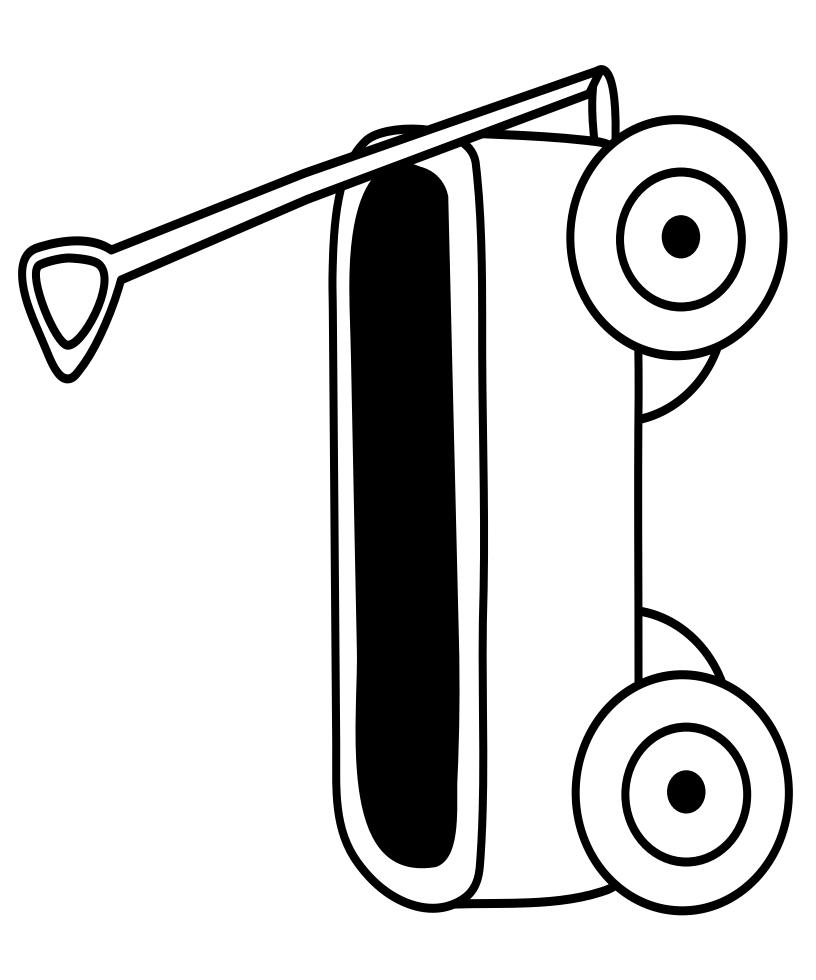


[&]quot;Say this word with me: bat." Bat.

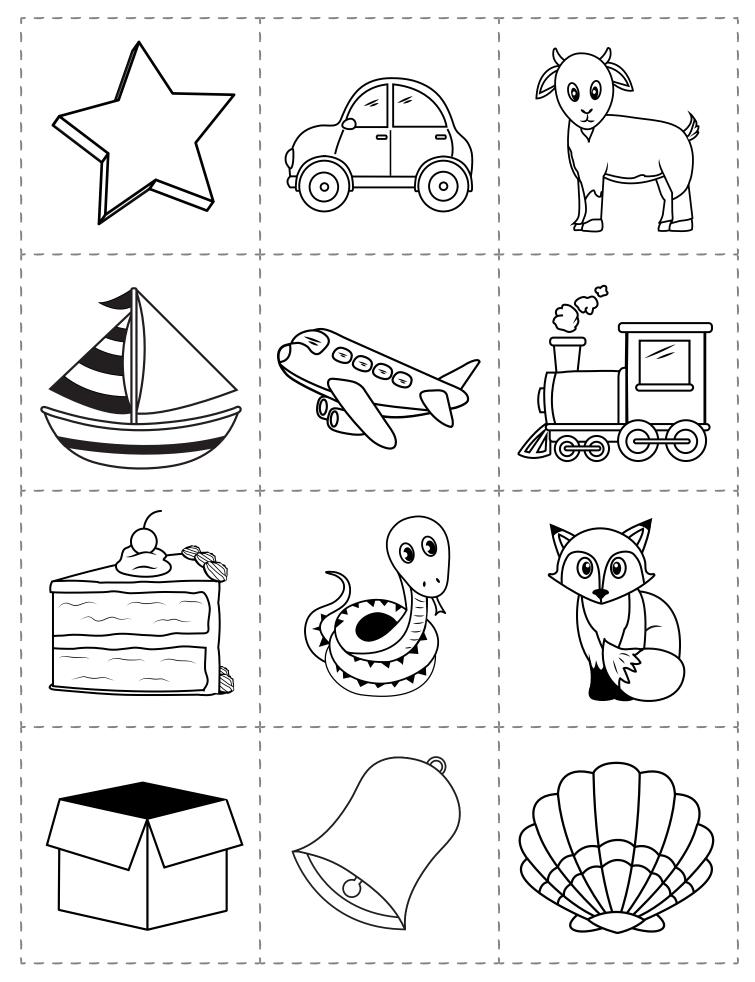














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