

Short u Word Family Sort

Lesson 5: God Was With Joseph

Directions for introducing the sort:

- Cut apart the words ahead of time (or your child can do this).
- Set up **duck**, **jump**, and **must** your headers: the other words will go in columns underneath (see below).
- Before starting the sort, tell the child that you are sorting by word family patterns -uck, -ump, and -ust. It helps tremendously if your child has already been exposed to word family work of some sort.
- Read through the words together (*it is important that these words all be familiar to your child*). Discuss any words that your child doesn't know the meaning of, such as *pluck*, *stump*, or *plump*.
- Model sorting a few words from each category, until your child seems comfortable with looking for the patterns. If this is your first time doing a word sort with your child, model sorting all of them the first time.
- Scramble the words up and let her re-sort it again *with support*.

Your sort should look like this when complete:

duck	jump	must
cluck	dump	just
pluck	stump	trust
stuck	thump	bust
luck	hump	dust
tuck	plump	crust

For more word sorts, check out Words Their Way & their word sorting supplement books. I highly recommend them (designed for Pre-K through high school).

Short U Sort: -uck, -ump, & -ust families (with blends and digraphs)

<u>duck</u>	<u>jump</u>	<u>must</u>
dump	just	cluck
trust	pluck	stump
stuck	thump	bust
dust	luck	hump
tuck	plump	crust

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