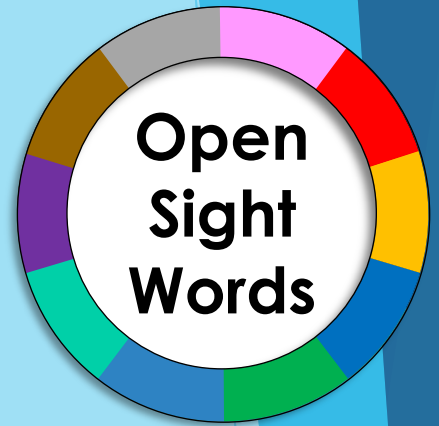


Open Sight Words



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A **free** sight-word program for use in schools that use PM Benchmarking and PM readers.

Information Pack

Open Sight Words is a sight word program designed for schools that use PM guided readers and PM Benchmarking. The word lists directly correlate to the words students will encounter in their text. The first two sets (pink and red) make up 90% of a level 3 PM reader, with the other 10% often made up of words that students decode using initial sounds and picture clues (e.g. lizard).

January 2021 Update: The second and third set of sight words has now been included in this pack. This includes tricky words that appear frequently in level 11-18 PM readers such as 'ground' and also includes other high-frequency words they will likely encounter in home-readers and leisure texts (such as Zac Power).

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- About Open Sight Words
- The Word Lists
- The Word Lists Explained
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About Open Sight Words

Why did I create Open Sight Words?

I first had the idea for my own sight word program when I started teaching. My school was using a popular series of sight words but I noticed that the words in this program didn't correlate to the words found in our readers. I spent hours and hours going through our low-levelled readers and analysing the words used. I discovered that some of their first-level sight-words such as 'of' in my schools program didn't even appear in our readers until level 8.

I set to work creating my own set of sight words that would work for my school. My school used PM readers and PM benchmarking. The word lists created correlate directly to the PM series of books and help students become familiar with words they will frequently use in the beginnings stages of writing. Each list is only 9-12 words, a manageable amount for young learners.

Should you use Open Sight Words?

If your school uses PM Benchmarking and PM readers, then this program will be perfect for students.

Why I named the lists 'Open Sight Words'

I named these lists *Open Sight Words* because they are *open* to everyone to use. I became a teacher because I wanted to educate children. I believe education should be free and I am happy to share my lists with other schools that will benefit from this program, because the children are the ones who benefit.

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Sight Word Levels

There are ten 'coloured' levels of sight words which roughly correlate to a reader level, as shown below:

Sight Word Level	PM Reader Level
Pink	1-3
Red	3
Yellow	4
Blue	4
Green	5
Orange	6
Aqua	7
Purple	8
Brown	9
Grey	10

The second set of sight words (animals) is now included in this pack and are suitable for students from PM level 11-18.

My Research

I considered a few things when I made my lists. This includes the frequency of the words overall, the number of books they appeared in, and their importance to the early writer. Below is a screenshot of my research in progress:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
1			is	here	the	said	look	at	little	come	in	up	comes	a	num
2	Sam & Bingo		9	9	7	1	2	1							1
3	Here comes litt		3	1	6	3				8	5	2	9	2	
4	Little Chimp		4	4	1					5	1	1	3	3	
5	Kitty Cat		6	8	2		3	3		1				3	2
6	Sam's Balloon		0	2	6	7	5	5		1				1	3
7	Jack & Billy		1	4		10	3	2			5	4			
8	Holiday Time		7	3	8	4	1				4	8			
9	Baby Wakes up		6	3			5	3	1				2	1	2
10	Little Teddy & I		6	5		3	1		3	4			3		
11	Photo Time		3	4	4	7	2	2		4	4				2
12	Sally's Snowma		4	5	8		8	6	3	2				2	1
13	Harry & the litt		8	4	6		3	3	7		1			1	1
14	the big ball		2	5	5	6	2	2	6					4	1
15	The little snowi		4	5	7		7	5	3	2				3	1
16	The Big Hill		6	1	5		2	2	5		2	1		1	3
17	Teddy Bear's Pi		4	3	9	2	3	2	1	2	3			3	1
18	The Little Girafi		7	7	7	7	2	3	2	2	2			2	5
19	Raccoon Wake:		6	4	8		3	3				4	2	4	2
20	The Lazy Pig		1	1	7	5				1		12			
21	hedgehog is hu		10	8	1						1	1	1	5	
22	the photo book		10	5	6						6				1
23	tiger tiger		7	4	2					2	2	6	2		
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First Set – Coloured Words

Pink Words (1-3)

is	here	the
come	look	at
I	am	too

Red Words (3)

up	comes	mum	said
a	on	little	to
hungry	big	no	in

Yellow Words (4)

and	for	looked
you	me	see
are	asleep	my

Blue Words (4)

can	not	happy	shouted
looking	mother	go	sees
going	down	oh	goes

Green Words (5)

away	went	into
home	he	where
good	ran	cried

Orange Words (6)

they	came	like
will	she	after
thank	some	your

Aqua Words (7)

coming	with	today	play
I'm	we	help	back
got	stay	get	but

Purple Words (8)

please	again	way	eat
inside	make	walk	out
this	run	all	her

Brown Words (9)

it's	can't	made	have
making	having	walked	playing
school	find	of	fast

Grey Words (10)

saw	now	then	without
laugh	take	that	old
off	new	gone	one

Second Set – Animal Words

Kookaburra (11)

over	climb	us	day
very	two	hide	from
by	next	want	cold

Kangaroo (12)

friend	taking	park	boy
do	who	let's	round
says	open	smile	put

Dingo (13)

more	under	his	long
bigger	there	house	fly
three	jump	was	don't

Platypus (13)

time	right	flew	children
were	lived	across	race
slowly	late	move	won't

Crocodile (14)

first	called	our	because
any	their	always	could
family	what	has	when

Echidna (15)

turn	tried	work	people
didn't	before	still	fell
other	them	many	watch

Dolphin (16)

morning	close	ever	or
about	ready	would	tomorrow
only	use	girl	these

Emu (16)

how	must	know	ground
may	read	which	together
water	why	year	party

Wombat (17)

try	same	night	Saturday
much	does	grow	Sunday
give	should	four	while

Koala (18)

each	found	enough	been
learn	every	father	another
five	head	once	own

Third Set – Space Words

Sun

sing	soon	tell	black
towards	ask	weekend	ride
ate	so	love	show
sister	name	favourite	brother

Mercury

think	far	gave	hand
well	white	bird	blue
birthday	best	be	upon
sleep	really	nice	game

Venus

left	room	last	kind
keep	bring	green	holiday
dinner	ball	also	thought
won	baby	car	yesterday

Earth

above	word	great	along
group	answer	almost	animal
beach	slide	thing	few
soccer	breakfast	often	world

Mars

talk	those	fair	through
song	sound	start	story
side	small	near	second
river	real	point	place

Jupiter

write	young	ago	around
quickly	bike	bought	brown
clothes	born	cousin	dark
excited	heard	life	minute

Saturn

proud	around	began	being
below	between	book	both
carry	change	city	near
even	eye	face	feet

Uranus

hour	music	scared	super
swim	teacher	afternoon	tree
wait	woke	worried	save
maybe	clean	care	tie

Neptune

police	follow	food	hard
hear	high	large	leave
light	mean	different	near
never	wonder	page	picture

Pluto

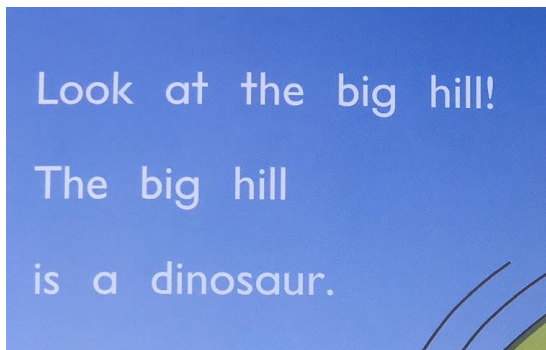
behind	threw	wanted	castle
surprise	earth	sentence	join
straight	begin	against	heavy
awesome	idea	important	angry

The Word Lists Explained

Pink Words

This is the first set of words and contains the most frequently occurring words. The words 'is' and 'here' were in every level 3 PM reader used in my research. The words 'the', 'said', 'look', 'at' and 'come' appeared in 60-90% of them. 'I' and 'am' do not appear as frequently as some of the red words, but these are important words for beginning writers, and they still appear in the texts regularly.

Below is the text from a level 3 reader (*The Big Hill*). Note the use of 'look', 'at', 'is' and 'the'.



Red Words

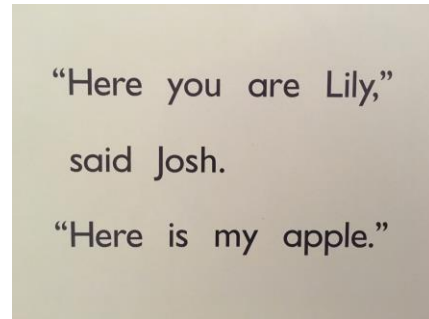
The red words contain 12 more words that are found in level 3 readers. Once students know these, they will most likely be reading level 3 texts independently. As students advance in sight-word levels, they begin to make connections between words. For example: 'comes' is the pink word 'come' with an 's' on the end.

In the above text, note the use of 'big' and 'a', two red words.

Yellow Words & Blue Words

Yellow & Blue words are the most frequently occurring words found in level 4 readers. 'Dad' is a word that frequently occurs at around this level but is not included as once students get to level 4 texts they are able to sound out 'dad' with reasonable ease.

Below is some text from the level 4 reader, *Lily's Apple*. Note the use of yellow words such as 'you', 'are' and 'my'. Pink and red words 'here' and 'said' are also used.



Green Words

By the time students get to green words, they have know 42 sight words. Green words correlate to level 5 readers. From this level students are only given 9 sight words per level as they already have a strong foundation.

Orange Words & Aqua Words

Orange and Aqua correlate to level 6 and 7 readers. Once students know words such as 'stay', they can use suffixes such as 'ing' and 'ed' to decipher words such as 'stayed' and 'staying'.

Purple Words

Purple words correlate to a level 8 reader. By this stage students have a range of strategies to decipher words that may not be sight words. For example: The word 'outside' will appear in texts, but is not a sight word. Students can use the connection of 'in' and 'inside' and apply it to 'out' and 'outside'.

Brown Words & Grey Words

These word lists cover levels 9 and 10.

The Animal Words

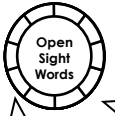
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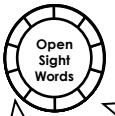
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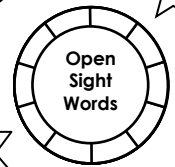
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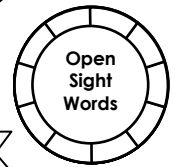
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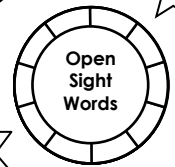
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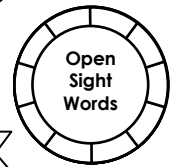
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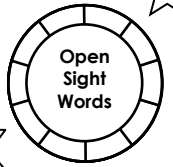
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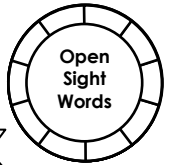
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you	me	see
are	asleep	my

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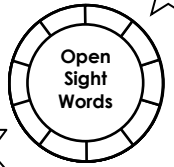
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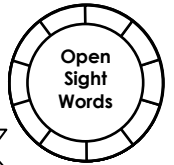
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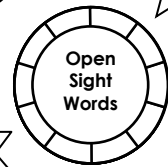
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shouted	looking	mother
go	sees	going
down	oh	goes

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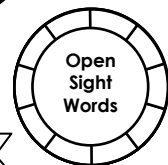
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away	went	into
home	he	where
good	ran	cried



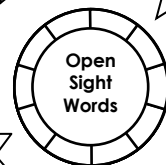
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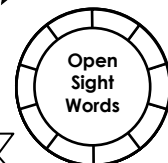
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they	came	like
will	she	after
thank	some	your

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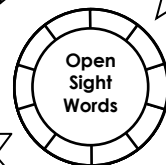
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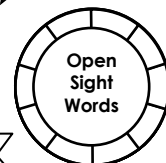
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coming	with	today
play	I'm	we
help	back	got
stay	get	but

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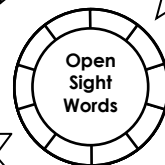
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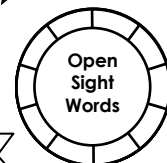
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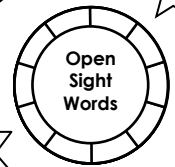
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run	all	her

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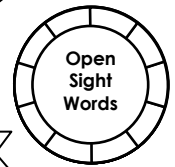
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it's	can't	made
have	making	having
walked	playing	school
find	of	fast



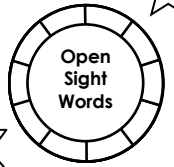
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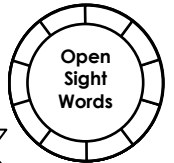
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saw	now	then
without	laugh	take
that	old	off
new	gone	one

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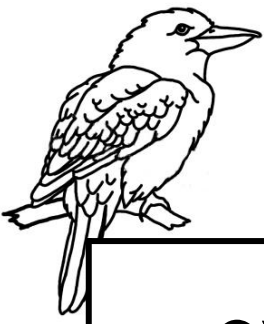
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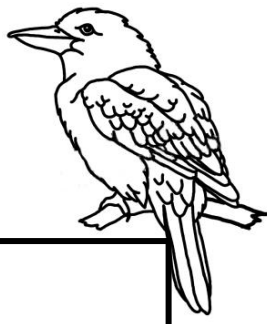


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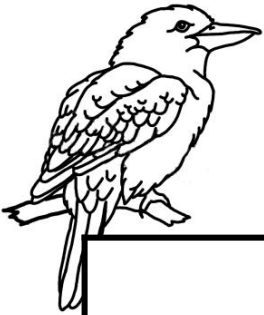


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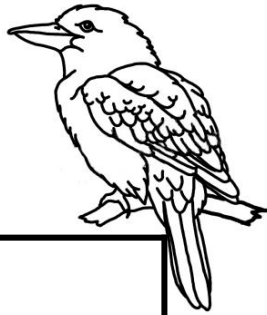


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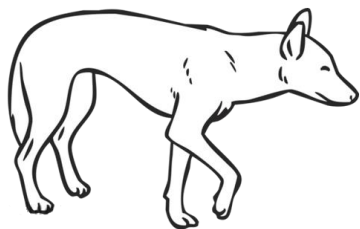


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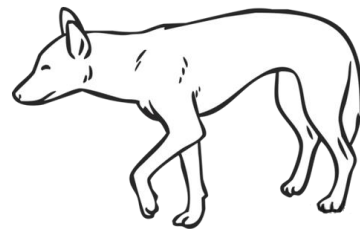


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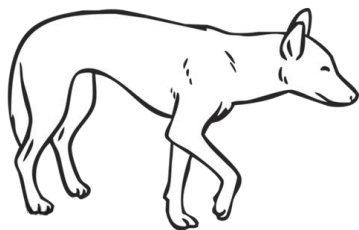


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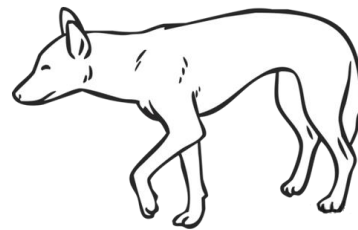


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long	bigger	there
house	fly	three
jump	was	don't

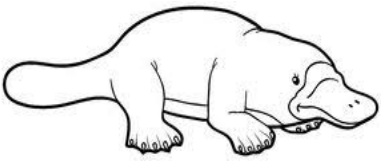


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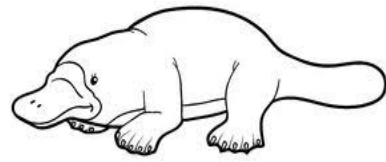


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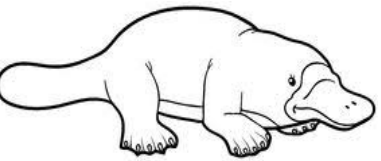


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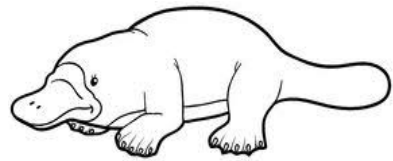


time	right	flew
children	were	lived
across	race	slowly
late	move	won't

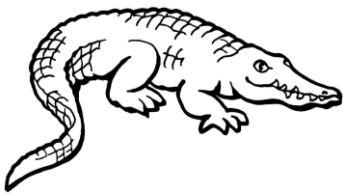


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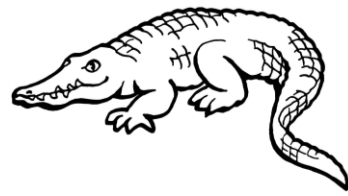
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children	were	lived
across	race	slowly
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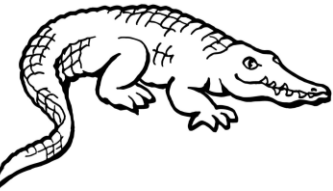


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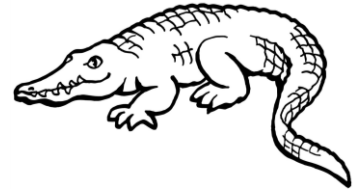


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because	any	their
always	could	family
what	has	when



Crocodile Words



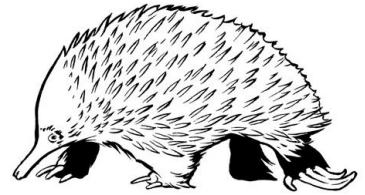
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Echidna Words

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people	didn't	before
still	fell	other
them	many	watch

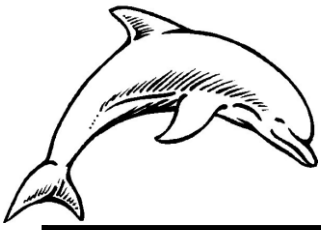


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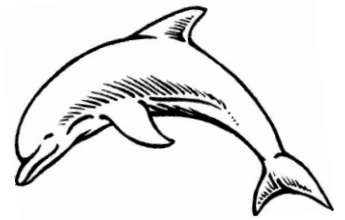


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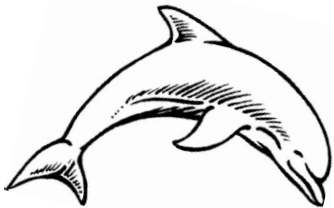


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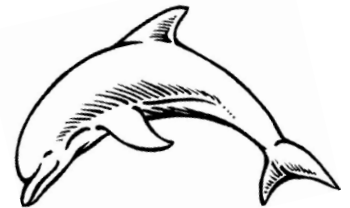


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or	about	ready
would	tomorrow	only
use	girl	these

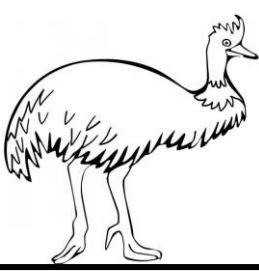


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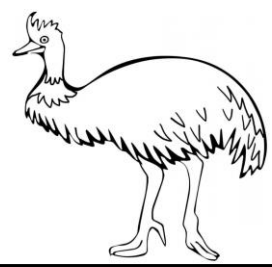


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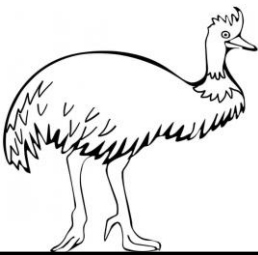


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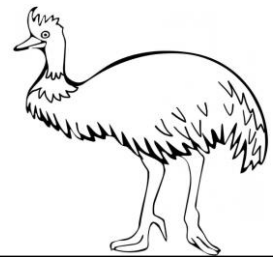


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ground	may	read
which	together	water
why	year	party

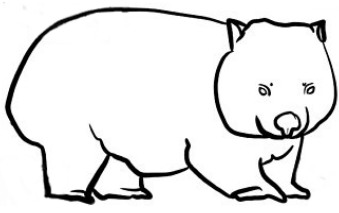


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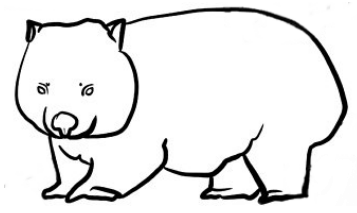


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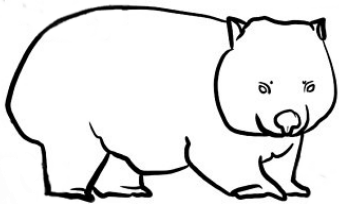


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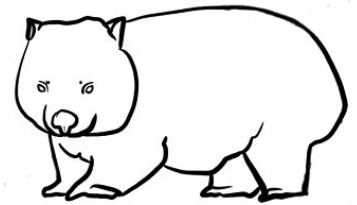


try	same	night
Saturday	much	Sunday
does	grow	give
should	four	while



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try	same	night
Saturday	much	Sunday
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Koala Words

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each	found	enough
been	learn	every
father	another	five
head	once	own

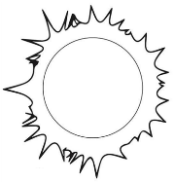


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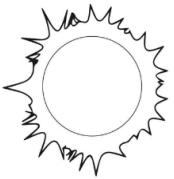
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Space



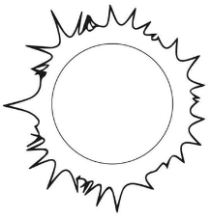
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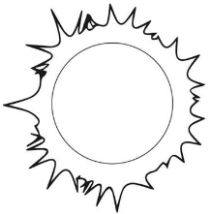
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Sun Words

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		sing
soon	tell	black
towards	ask	weekend
ride	ate	so
love	show	sister
name	favourite	brother



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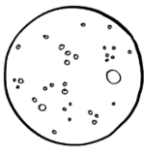
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Mercury Words

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		think
far	gave	hand
well	white	bird
blue	birthday	best
be	upon	sleep
really	nice	game



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		think
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well	white	bird
blue	birthday	best
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Venus Words

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		left
room	last	kind
keep	bring	green
holiday	dinner	ball
also	thought	won
baby	car	yesterday



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		left
room	last	kind
keep	bring	green
holiday	dinner	ball
also	thought	won
baby	car	yesterday



Earth Words

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above

word	great	along
group	answer	almost
animal	beach	slide
thing	few	soccer
breakfast	often	world



Earth Words

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above

word	great	along
group	answer	almost
animal	beach	slide
thing	few	soccer
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Mars Words

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		talk
those	fair	through
song	sound	start
story	side	small
near	second	river
real	point	place



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Jupiter Words

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		write
young	ago	around
quickly	bike	bought
brown	clothes	born
cousin	dark	excited
heard	life	minute



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Saturn Words

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		proud
around	began	being
below	between	book
both	carry	change
city	near	even
eye	face	feet



Saturn Words

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		proud
around	began	being
below	between	book
both	carry	change
city	near	even
eye	face	feet



Uranus Words

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		hour
music	scared	super
swim	teacher	afternoon
free	wait	woke
worried	save	maybe
clean	care	tie



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Neptune Words

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police

follow

food

hard

hear

high

large

leave

light

mean

different

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page

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picture



Pluto Words

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		behind
threw	wanted	castle
surprise	earth	sentence
join	straight	begin
against	heavy	awesome
idea	important	angry



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