

## Suggested Activities

- For the younger child, make a magnet as an art activity and send home with a copy of the word list to hang on the refrigerator.
- Construct a set of flash cards for each child. Place in a personalized ziploc bag and send home for child to use.
- Develop a "Book of Words". Add pages for words used in reading and writing.
- Construct games for the reading center using the appropriate word list. Games such as concentration, tic-tac-toe, and checkers can be constructed with railroad board and laminated for use with a variety of word lists. A "deck" of word cards can be used interchangeably with any of these game boards.
- Construct a "Go Fish" game using a word list. Write individual words on fish shapes cut from heavy cardstock. Staple a paper clip where the mouth of the fish should be. Then place the fish in a glass or plastic fish bowl. Hot glue a magnet to a heavy piece of string, tie the string to a 12" dowel rod and let the children "go fishing".
- Make "word cubes" from cardstock. Write individual words on all six sides of the cube. Use as a large die for homemade game boards.
- Allow students to use words from word lists to construct their own version of a crossword puzzle.
- Be creative! Construct your own ideas.

### Additional Resources:

- [www.puzzlemaker.school.discovery.com](http://www.puzzlemaker.school.discovery.com) for generating your own crossword puzzles (called *criss cross* puzzles at this site)
- [www.connicomputers.com/crossword](http://www.connicomputers.com/crossword) is another site for online puzzle making