

Powerful Little Words List



This is a list of very important little words.

Do you know why they are so important? Even though they are small, they have a lot of meaning.

Imagine if we sang, “Humpty Dumpty sat IN a wall.”

Or, “Little Miss Muffet sat UP a tuffet”

That would be very silly!

Even small words are powerful.

We need to be able to read and write these words very quickly. Let’s get started!



These vc words match the initial code.

am
an
at
in
it
if
on
up
us

These vc words have a slight variation to the initial code.

of
is
as

of - <f> sounds like /v/
is and as - <s> sounds like /z/

These cv words have a slight variation to the initial code, because... when a vowel comes at the end of a word, it often says its name.

go
no
so
hi
he
me
we
be

These cv words are exceptions to this rule.

do
to
my
by

do and to - <o> sounds like /oo/
my and by - <y> sounds like /ie/