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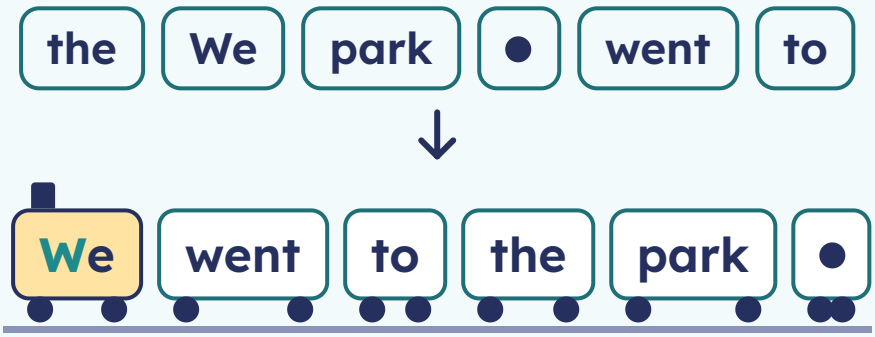
Building sentences

Put the words in an order that makes sense.

1 Learn



Mixed-up words are not a sentence yet. Let's put them in order, like joining up a train!



How to build it

1. Find the word with a capital letter: **We**. It goes first, like the engine.
2. Try a next word and say it out loud: "We went…"
3. Keep going: "We went to the park." Does it make sense? Yes!
4. The full stop goes last, at the end of the train.

Flip's tip: say it out loud before you write it. If it sounds right, the order is probably right.

Warm up: which word goes first? Draw a ring round it.

can Mia swim • big is The bag •

Grown-ups: children often copy the words in the order they see them. Encourage them to try a word, say the sentence so far, and listen. If it sounds odd, try a different word.

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2 Try it together a child and a grown-up, about 10 minutes



Sentence track

You need: 5 small pieces of paper, a pencil, a button for the full stop, and a scarf, ribbon or ruler to be the track.

1. Grown-up: write one word on each paper: **My**, **dog**, **likes**, **to**, **dig**.
2. Mix them up. Your child builds the sentence along the track, with finger spaces, and the button at the end.
3. Read it together. Does it make sense?
4. Now your child says a sentence of their own. Write each word on paper, mix them up and build it again.

Write the two sentences you built:

Grown-ups: keep your child's own sentence short (3 to 5 words). Write the first word with a capital letter, as it is the start of the sentence.

3 Practise

A. Put the words in order. Write the sentence.

1 jam | like | ● | I

2 fox | is | The | ● | red

3 has | kite | a | ● | Ella

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B. Number the words 1, 2, 3... to show the right order.

1 swim Two ducks

2 hot is tea My

3 park play the We in

C. Make your own sentences with these words. You can use a word more than once.

I can see a big dog cat bus ●

Challenge

Sam made this train: **park the to went We.** It has a capital letter and a full stop. Is it a sentence? Write it in the right order.

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I can... Tick when you can.

- ☐ put words in order to make a sentence
- ☐ start with the capital-letter word
- ☐ say my sentence out loud to check it