Sound Sleuths

Students blend and segment spoken words, then mark their answers.

K.LF.9.g "Blend and segment phonemes in single-syllable spoken words made up of three to four phonemes."

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Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 BLEND SOUNDS

a	sum	sun	sip
b	flat	flip	flag
c	best	bent	belt

2 TAKE APART

a	2	4	3
b	4	2	3
c	2	3	4

ANSWER KEY

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HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Work with a small group so you can hear each student say the blended word and the separate sounds. Pause for each oral response before reading choices or allowing a circle, and record accuracy and any support separately.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 · BLEND SOUNDS

SAY "Listen to the sounds. Say the word they make aloud before I read the choices. Then circle your word."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	What word do /s/ /u/ /n/ make? Say it aloud. Now listen to the choices: sum, sun, sip. Which word will you circle?	**sun**
b	What word do /f/ /l/ /a/ /g/ make? Say it aloud. Now listen to the choices: flat, flip, flag. Which word will you circle?	**flag**
c	What word do /b/ /e/ /s/ /t/ make? Say it aloud. Now listen to the choices: best, bent, belt. Which word will you circle?	**best**

PART 2 · TAKE APART

SAY "I will say a word. Say its sounds aloud, one at a time, before you circle how many sounds you said. I will listen."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Say ship aloud. What sounds do you hear, one at a time? How many sounds did you say? Circle that number.	**3**
b	Say milk aloud. What sounds do you hear, one at a time? How many sounds did you say? Circle that number.	**4**
c	Say cat aloud. What sounds do you hear, one at a time? How many sounds did you say? Circle that number.	**3**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Blend rows: sun, flag, best. Segment rows: ship has /sh/ /i/ /p/ (3), milk has /m/ /i/ /l/ /k/ (4), and cat has /k/ /a/ /t/ (3); check each spoken response as well as the circled answer.