

Follow the Print

Students track words across a row and notice the first letter in a word.

K.F.CP.3 "Mechanics of Print Texts: Build a knowledge base of print conventions."

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

1 TRACK WORDS

a	map	sun	pig
b	red	bus	log
c	hen	jam	fox

2 FIRST LETTER

sun	
map	
pig	

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Before starting, use a different practice row, such as “red fox,” and show that English print is followed from left to right. Read each worksheet row aloud, then have students mark the word they heard in its place and write the first letter of each labeled word.

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

PART 1 • TRACK WORDS

SAY “We read words across a row from left to right. I will read each row aloud. Listen for the word I ask about, then circle it.”

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Listen as I read from left to right: map, sun, pig. Which word did I say first? Circle it.	map
b	Listen as I read from left to right: red, bus, log. Which word did I say last? Circle it.	log
c	Listen as I read from left to right: hen, jam, fox. Which word did I say in the middle? Circle it.	jam

PART 2 • FIRST LETTER

SAY “I will read the word beside each box. What letter comes first in the word? Write that letter in the box.”

- Box 1 (beside sun): **s**
- Box 2 (beside map): **m**
- Box 3 (beside pig): **p**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Track Words answers are map, log, and jam. Accept recognizable uppercase or lowercase S, M, and P in the writing boxes.