

Word List Detectives

Sort words using the Fry high-frequency word list.

5.2.A.v “identifying and reading high-frequency words from a research-based list;”

NAME _____

DATE _____

ON THE FRY LIST

These common words appear on the Fry high-frequency word list. You may see and read them often.

people

NOT ON THE FRY LIST

These words do not appear on the Fry high-frequency word list. They may still be useful words to know.

xylophone

1 SORT

8 items

Circle ON LIST or NOT LISTED for each word using the Fry list, then pick two words and explain how you checked each one.

1. because

ON LIST

NOT LISTED

2. around

ON LIST

NOT LISTED

3. volcano

ON LIST

NOT LISTED

4. always

ON LIST

NOT LISTED

5. caterpillar

ON LIST

NOT LISTED

6. juggle

ON LIST

NOT LISTED

7. another

ON LIST

NOT LISTED

8. marble

ON LIST

NOT LISTED

2 PROVE IT Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN One of each

Write one new ON LIST word and one new NOT LISTED word.

ON LIST _____

NOT LISTED _____

CHALLENGE

Write one complete sentence that uses three ON LIST words. Underline the three words.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	because	ON LIST	because appears on the Fry high-frequency word list.
2	around	ON LIST	around appears on the Fry high-frequency word list.
3	volcano	NOT LISTED	volcano does not appear on the Fry high-frequency word list.
4	always	ON LIST	always appears on the Fry high-frequency word list.
5	caterpillar	NOT LISTED	caterpillar does not appear on the Fry high-frequency word list.
6	juggle	NOT LISTED	juggle does not appear on the Fry high-frequency word list.
7	another	ON LIST	another appears on the Fry high-frequency word list.
8	marble	NOT LISTED	marble does not appear on the Fry high-frequency word list.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **ON LIST:** family
- **NOT LISTED:** penguin

Challenge: We <u>found</u> <u>water</u> <u>near</u> the bridge.

Accept Part 2 explanations that state the student checked each chosen word against the Fry list. Part 3 answers may vary if the words are correctly checked against the same list.