

**Grade Level: K -Grade 1**

**Phonemic Awareness**

**Target Skill: Segmenting & Blending Phonemes**

# Guess the Word!

## Nature Search Game

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Gather students in an outdoor learning circle. Set out boundaries for the activity (eg. outdoor classroom area, stand of trees, playground, etc.).
2. Teacher presents an outdoor word in segmented phonemes (eg. s-u-n)
3. Students repeat the segmented phonemes back to you.
4. Students blend the segmented phonemes to solve the word.
5. Students run to gather or point to the outdoor object that matches the word they have solved.
6. If available, record word list on a whiteboard so students can match the sounds to the written word.
7. Repeat with additional target words.

Extension:

Have students find nature word ideas and try to segment the words for others to guess.

### SUGGESTED NATURE WORDS SEGMENTED INTO PHONEMES

#### 3 Phoneme Words:

l-ea-f  
b-u-d  
s-a-p  
l-o-g  
b-u-g  
f-ee-t  
w-e-b  
m-u-d  
p-a-th  
n-u-t  
b-i-ke  
s-n-ow

#### 4 Phoneme Words

p-o-s-t  
h-a-n-d  
s-l-i-de  
l-ea-v-es  
b-oo-t-s  
f-l-a-g  
n-e-s-t  
g-r-a-ss  
s-t-e-m  
s-l-u-sh  
f-l-a-ke  
s-a-n-d

#### 5 Phoneme Words

s-t-u-m-p  
p-l-a-n-t  
s-p-r-u-ce  
f-r-o-s-t  
s-t-r-ea-m  
s-p-l-a-sh