

## Some simple ways to practise tricky words

- Use markers to write them on pieces of card and stick them up around the house
- Play 'hide-and-seek' with a tricky word (on a card)
- Print out the tricky word tables:
  - Call out a word and the child colours it in. See if they can colour them all
  - Call out a word and the child covers it with a cube/button/piece of pasta etc. See if they can cover them all.
  - Play tricky word bingo
  - Also play these games in reverse, where the child reads the words and you must cover them etc.
- Print out the tables and cut out the words: (\*You can stick the tricky word tables onto a piece of card from a cereal box before cutting out the words if you want to make them more durable)
  - Shake them up in a tub and pick out and say the words
  - Print 2 copies of them, then match the pairs
- Draw out a blank table, and the child writes in the tricky words to fill up the table
- Write out a simple sentence for the child to read, containing a tricky word or two that they've been

practising. Ask them to draw a picture for the sentence.

- Call out a simple sentence for the child to write, containing a tricky word or two, and ask them to draw a picture to go with the sentence.