



Gratnells
Learning
Rooms

Phonics

Phase 2

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What's in my tray?

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What you will need:

- Gratnells F1 Shallow Tray
- Gratnells SortED inserts
- Downloadable tray label
- Objects for child to sort (maths manipulatives or stationery)
- Post-it notes
- Blu-tack

What to do: (Teacher/Teaching Assistant)

1. Label the tray using the downloadable label.
2. Place the SortED inserts into the tray.
3. Label the inserts.
4. Label the objects with different words that have the 'ss' grapheme.
5. Place the objects into the larger inserts.

What to do: (child)

1. Ask the child to pick an object.
2. They have to carefully segment and blend the sounds in the word to read it correctly.
3. Encourage them to say 'ss, ss, mess' as they are reading to check the pronunciation of the sound.
4. When the word has been read, they need to place the object into the correct insert. They are 'sorting the mess'.

Differentiation:

Easier:

Practise forming the 'ss' grapheme in sand or in paint.

Harder:

Can you use two of the words in a sentence?