



Ways to Practice Sight Words/ Phonics this Summer:

No matter how you practice them, be sure to use them in context. For example, if you are working on the word “where”, you can explain that this is a word that we use when we are looking for something.

“Where are my shoes?”

“Traditional Ways”

- ☺ Traditional Flash Cards
- ☺ Writing, reading, then erasing the word on a “white board” or even a plastic cup with a dry erase marker (I call it the “cup of knowledge”)
- ☺ Rainbow Writing (write sight words with different colors to make a rainbow effect)

Games:

- ☺ Go Fish, traditional
- ☺ Go Fish, really fishing for letters
 - Make a fishing rod with an unsharpened pencil, duct tape, and a string.
 - Attach a magnet to the bottom of the string
 - On the floor, place individual letters on small index cards with paper clips on the cards
 - Have your child “fish” for each letter of the word until they spell it

☺ **Memory Match**

☺ **Tic Tac Toe**

- You Each take a word to write (instead of x's and o's) and read the board when you are done

☺ **“Hide and Seek”**

- Hide the words or letters to build the word someplace in one room
- One at a time, ask for the word, and your child then finds that word as a whole word or one letter at a time

☺ **Hopscotch**

- Draw a “traditional” hopscotch board with sidewalk chalk
- Have your child write the words in each square
- Begin the game
- When he/she hops through each square, he/she reads the word

☺ **Write words on a cookie sheet of shaving cream or whipped cream**

☺ **Use a blank game board (place words in a pile and select one at each turn)**

- Use your own game pieces (be creative) to play the game

