

Sight Words need to be internalized



- Sight words need to be internalized
- Rapid recognition of sight words forms a foundation of fluent reading and writing
- Knowing sight words allows the student to focus on the meaning



Sight Word Safari



~ A Meaningful Journey ~

Our students need to be curious, engaged and have a love of language that will support literacy development for a lifetime. Research supports that children know about, and participate in, the functions of literacy long before they learn about alphabet letters and sounds. Once these are internalized, the importance of sight words is key to fluency in reading and writing. Sight words cannot be 'sounded out' and have no meaning in isolation, therefore, they need to be memorized.

Early learning experiences must provide a balance of play-based learning and explicit instruction. An effective program is structured in such a way to respect the learning processes for all students and to help them reach their full potential. Our role as a teacher is to fill the students' lives with engaging, interactive and developmentally appropriate experiences that are both playful and purposeful.



- Sight words are everywhere
- Sight words need to be taught
- Sight words need to be internalized

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Sight words are everywhere



- Sight words are made up of letters
- Sight words make up most of the words in sentences
- Sight words give confidence as a reader



Sight words need to be taught



- Many of the sight words cannot be 'sounded out'
- Sight words don't make pictures in your head
- Sight words need to be explicitly taught

