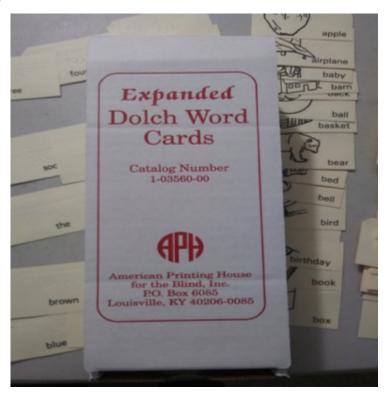
## "Focus"

# Expanded Dolch Word Cards Tips and Activity Ideas



The American Printing House for the Blind (APH) Expanded Dolch Word Cards comes with 313 cards including 204 word/braille cards, 92 picture/braille cards, number/braille cards 1-10 and 7 color/braille cards. Also included are 30 blank cards, 54 index cards and a cardboard storage box.

APH: <a href="https://www.aph.org/">https://www.aph.org/</a> Catalog #: 1-03560-01

The following tips and activity ideas are in addition to the learning materials and instructions that accompany the product. We hope these ideas will be helpful as you use your braille cards.

#### Tips for Use

- Expanded Dolch Word Cards can be used to teach and expand the use of braille reading and vocabulary.
- Cards come in sheets that need to be cut and separated.
- Storage box is easy to fold and put together.

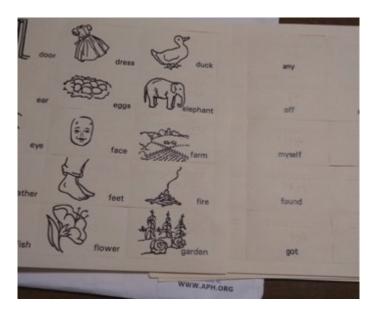
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### Expanded Dolch Word Cards (continued)

### Tips for Use (continued)

 Encourage individuals to create sentences using both the word and picture cards.



• Encourage individuals to include a color or number as a challenge to expand their sentence. As shown below with the boat picture card: "Come over soon to ride in the boat."



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#### **Expanded Dolch Word Cards (continued)**

#### **Activity Ideas**

• Use with the following APH item to learn more about teaching braille skills:

APH Catalog #
 Beginning with Braille: F-B0003-00
 Firsthand Experiences with a Balanced Approach to Literacy

- Play a Game: Place a set of 20 25 cards on the table in front of the individual. By reading each card correctly, they keep it. By not reading a card correctly, they give the card to you. Whoever has the most cards after all (20-25) have been read wins the round.
- Create a Story: Select 10-15 cards making sure there are both verbs and nouns in the set. Ask the individual to read the cards and then make up a story using as many of the words from the set as they can.

#### **APH Resources**

- On line APH Catalog: https://www.aph.org
- MCB/DDS APH Federal Quota Account Information & Order Form: <a href="https://www.focusonvisionandvisionloss.org/aph-federal-quota-account.html">https://www.focusonvisionandvisionloss.org/aph-federal-quota-account.html</a>

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Please also see MCB/DDS Partnership "Focus" resources:

https://www.focusonvisionandvisionloss.org/recreation.html

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