



Fun Games & Activities for Phase 2 Tricky Words

1. Tricky Word Treasure Hunt

Write tricky words on small pieces of paper and hide them around the room. Your child has to find them and read each one aloud before collecting their “treasure.”

2. Splash the Tricky Word

Write the words in chalk outside or on paper inside. Call out a word and let your child:

- jump on it
- squirt it with a water spray
- throw a beanbag at it
- tap it with a wooden spoon

3. Tricky Word Fishing

Write words on paper “fish” and attach paperclips. Make a fishing rod with a stick, string, and a magnet. When they “catch” a fish, they read the tricky word to keep it!

4. Playdough Word Mats

Write a tricky word on a mat or card. Children build the letters with playdough and then read the word aloud.

5. Tricky Word Lotto/Bingo

Make a simple bingo board with tricky words. Call out a word and your child covers it with a counter. First to fill their board wins!

6. Speedy Words Race

Lay out a few tricky word cards.

Call out a word and time how quickly they can point to the right one.

Swap roles and let your child be the caller—they love being in charge!

7. Rainbow Writing

Children write each tricky word several times using different coloured pencils.

They say the word each time to help it stick.

8. Tricky Word Snap!

Make two sets of tricky word cards and play Snap or Pairs.

Each time they turn a card, they read the word.

9. Musical Words

Lay tricky word cards on the floor.

Play music while your child moves around.

When the music stops, they pick up the nearest word and read it.

10. Bath Time Words

Write tricky words on foam shapes or use bath crayons.

Children stick them to the tiles, read them, and splash them when they know them!