Fish Me a Word

Want to help your child learn how to read? Put down the books and pick up the fishing rod! This silly game is a fun way to introduce and reinforce sight words…by fishing for them! All your child needs are a few household "tools" and some creativity.

What You Need:

- List of sight words (see below)
- Construction paper
- Piece of string or yarn
- Large wooden spoon (for fishing rod)
- 12 paper clips
- Scissors
- Glue or tape
- Magnet (a small refrigerator one works great)

Sight words:

ate	be	black	brown
but	came	did	do
eat	four	get	good

What You Do:

1. Cut 12 fish shapes out of the construction paper. Using the list of sight words provided, either write one word on each fish, or cut the word out and paste in onto the fish. Let your child decorate the fish with markers or crayons.
2. Attach a paper clip to the tip of each fish.
3. Tie the yarn or string to the wooden spoon. Tie the magnet to the other end of the string.
4. Spread all of the fish out on the floor, or on a table.
5. Give your child the fishing rod and let them know it's time to go fishing! Each time you call out a word, they should look for the word you've said, and then try to catch it with their rod.
6. Each time she catches the correct fish, ask your child to shout out the letters—spelling the name of the word aloud. This helps with reinforcement.
7. Once your child gets the hang of it, make more fish. Here are a few more sight words to try: all, am, are, the, and, to, he, a, I, you, it, of, was, she, said, his, her, that, for, on, but, had, they, now, out, on, that, there, this, too

Happy fishing!

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