High Frequency word games

Game 1 – High Frequency Word Sticks

Write the high frequency words on popsicle sticks and put into a container. Take turns taking a stick and reading a word. If you can read the word, keep the stick. When the sticks are all picked, the game is over. The person with the most sticks wins.

Game 2 – High Frequency Word Tower

Write the high frequency words on small paper cups. Put the cups in a stack. Read the word on the top cup. If you read it correctly, use it to build your tower. Work together to read words and build as tall of a tower as you can without knocking it over.

Game 3 - High Frequency Word Bingo

Make your own Bingo cards by printing 16 different words from the high frequency word list on each card. Use the whole list of words to call out the words one at a time to the players OR the words could be cut up and put into a container and the players take a turn pulling out a word and reading it to the group. Cover the word with a game piece (button, coin, gummi bear, Smarties, etc) if you have the word that is called. The person who covers up all of their words and yells "BINGO" is the winner.

Game 4 -High Frequency Word Smash-Up

You will need a few beanbags, index cards, and a marker. Write a high frequency word on each card. Spread the word cards on the floor. Shout out words and have your child toss beanbags onto them. Next, have your child shout out the word and see if you can hit them with the beanbags.

Game 5 -Word Walk

You will need paper plates and a marker. Write a high frequency word on each of the plates. Create a path all around the house using the paper plates. Start at the beginning of the path and have your child read each word as he/she walks to the end of the path. Your child can pick up the plate each time he/she reads a word. Repeat the game by creating a new path.

Game 6 -Spot the Word

Write high frequency words on post-it notes. Stick the words on a wall. Get a flashlight and dim the lights. Shine the light on a word. Ask your child to read the word. Switch it up by you reading a word and having your child find it with the flashlight. Make the activity even more fun using black paper and a glow-in-the-dark crayon or marker.