

DIRECTIONS FOR ELKONIN BOXES



1. You will need Uncle Urchin's Elkonin Box Sheet and the 3 phoneme sheet.
2. Begin instruction for the Elkonin Boxes by utilizing the words found in the *Writing Independently* PowerPoint.
3. Use the 3 phoneme sheet and select a picture.
4. Say the word slowly to your child (b-a-t)
5. Have them count out the sounds (/b/ (1) /a/ (2) /t/ (3))
6. For every sound that is heard, place a penny under each block.
7. Have the child push a penny up for each sound that is heard in your picture.
8. Say the word slowly again.
9. Have the child remove each penny as they say the sound and write the letter in the box.
10. Once the child has written the entire word, have him/her read it again by running their finger along the arrow again.

COMMON CORE CONNECTION

- ❖ RF.K.2d Isolate and produce initial sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme words.
- ❖ RF.K.3a Demonstrate basic knowledge of one-to-one letter-sound correspondences by producing the primary or many of the most frequent sound for each consonant.
- ❖ L.K.1a Print many upper and lower case letters.
- ❖ L.K.2c Write a letter or letters for most consonant and short vowel sounds (phonemes).
- ❖ L.K.2d Spell simple words phonetically drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.