In this pack you will find lots of fun word work activities to use during Daily 5, spelling practice or independent seat work time. As a bonus, you will also find a list of all of the word work activities, along with a short explanation that I use in my classroom that have been kid tested, teacher approved! Even if you don’t use ALL of them, I’m sure you will be happy with many fresh word work ideas to help your kiddos practice their words.
WORD WORK CHOICES

During Daily 5, these are the choices they can do for word work. They make a choice and grab a spelling list.

LETTER CUBES

Unifix cubes that I wrote letters on. I keep them in baggies. Kids snap them together to create words.

MAGNADOODLES

I found small magnadoodles at walmart a few years ago for a dollar each (they aren’t the best but they work) and I just found a REALLY good small one at the thrift store.

STAMPERS

I just bought a set of letter stamps at Lakeshore. Kids use paper to stamp their letters.

WHITE BOARDS

Individual white boards and markers with a sock for an eraser.

CLOTHES PINS

26 clothes pins clipped to the edge of a small basket - kids clip the words onto a ruler or the front edge of the basket.

WIKKI STICKS

Kids form wiki sticks into letters to create words.
Beans

I wrote letters on large white beans (lima beans?) Kids can spell out words by finding the right letters OR they can flip the bean over to the blank side and make letters by lining the beans up in the shape of the letters.

Scrabble

Kids use scrabble tiles to make their words. Math bonus: they add up the total.

Write on Desks

This is the FAVORITE!!!!! Kids get a expo white board marker, and a baby wipe and write their words on their desks. Green erases the easiest. Never use red or pink 😞 They are so hard to erase! If you do get a bad marker, the expo spray takes care of it but I do it when the kids are gone because it smells.

Letter Tiles

These are just tiles from an old game of some sort. Kids line them up to make words.

Letter Magnets

Just regular letter magnets on the side of a metal cart. I think I got them in the dollar section at Target in August or I have also seen them at the dollar store.

Spelling Headlines

Kids hunt thru magazines to find the letters that make their spelling words. They glue them onto a piece of paper.

Rainbow Words

Kids use crayon to write a spelling word. Then they get another color and trace over it. Then they get another color and trace over it again.

Balloons

Just a paper with balloons on it. Kids write their words in the balloons.
ABC ORDER

Kids write their words on a paper numbered 1-10 in alphabetical order.

WORD SEARCH

A blank 15*15 grid. Kids write their words anywhere they want. Then they fill in the rest of the blanks to "hide" their words. Then they can have a friend solve it later.

BOO BAGS

Kids have a brown paper lunch bag with flash cards in it (I limit the number of cards to 20) (flash cards are from the reading series). On 2, 3, or 4 blank flash cards, write "boo!" Without peeking, reach in the bag and grab a flash card. If you can read the word, you get to keep the card. If you can't read it, put it back. If you draw a "boo!" you put all of your cards back. These bags can also be used for alphabetical order - draw 5 and put them in abc order. Put them back and repeat.

SPIN A SPELLING WORD

Laminate spinning board (or put in a sheet protector). With a dry erase marker, write 8 of your words on the board. Use a pencil/paper clip spinner (like in math) to spin a word. Whatever word your spinner lands on, write 5 times on a white board.

TYPE YOUR WORDS

Ask your media specialist for a spare keyboard or two. Kids LOVE typing their words and it is great practice to learn their way around the keyboard.

TEXT YOUR WORDS

Ask your local cell phone store if they will donate a "dummy" phone to you for your class. If they won't, you can buy them online for really cheap! This is a FAVORITE in my class!

PYRAMID POWER

I had to throw this one in for you because it is a current FAVORITE in my classroom. I have to make more every week! Kids write the easier words towards the top and the harder words towards the bottom. I let my students use flair pens on this one since they have to write small. They LOVE it!
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Write the words you typed.

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Spelling Tic Tac Toe

Each player uses a different color of marker. Use spelling words to writing in the spaces. Take turns.

The first person with 3 in a row wins!
Spelling Stampers

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