Strategy Card: Touch and Say
Associating Sounds with Objects

**Purpose:** Identify and isolate the parts/phonemes in a spoken word by touching objects.

**Procedure:**
1. Teacher says a word.
2. Students repeat the word.
3. Teacher Models:
   • Touch each square and say the parts/phonemes in the word.
   • Blend the parts/phonemes together while sliding finger from left to right to say the whole word.
4. Teacher Questions:
   • “What is the first part phoneme you hear in the word?”
   • “What is the last part phoneme you hear in the word?”
5. Teacher States:
   • “Let’s **Touch and Say** the whole word again.”

**Notes**

**Preparation:**
- **Pass out manipulatives:** felt squares, plastic discs, colored tiles, etc.
- **Teacher Word List for focus skill**

**Extensions**
Can be used for:
- segmenting and blending syllables: compound words, 2-, 3-, 4-, or more syllable words;
- segmenting and blending onset and rime: one syllable words;
- segmenting and blending phonemes: 2-, 3-, 4- or more phoneme words.

**Additional Questions:**
- What is the medial sound?
- Which sound is the consonant?
- Which sound is the vowel?

**Explanation:**

**Parts/Phonemes:**
- Parts = syllables and rimes (rectangular manipulatives)
- Phonemes = individual sounds

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**Purpose:** To recognize what the student answered correctly and give feedback

**Procedure: You Do**
- Teacher calls upon a student for *You Do* and student gives an answer.
- Teacher says: “Checkers”
- Other Students display: Thumbs Up or Helping Hand

Teacher: If Thumbs Up – teacher moves to next student
If Helping Hand – teacher will stop and:

1. Tell student which parts/phonemes were correct. (“You read 2 sounds correct.”)
2. Teacher states the word again and says, “Let’s look at the 2nd sound together.”
3. Student repeats the word, then stretches and blends the parts/phonemes again.
4. Student rereads the row of words.
5. Student must complete the word independently before teacher moves on.

If student answers incorrectly again, teacher or other students model the skill. Teacher may want to give another YOU DO to the student later in the lesson.

**Definitions:**
- **Worker:** The student that the teacher called on.
- **Checkers:** All other students that work silently with the worker and listen to the worker’s response. (Helps with student engagement.)
- **Thumbs Up:** Indicates a correct response
- **Helping Hand:** Indicates worker needs help with response

**Notes:**
- Can be used with parts/phonemes in a word (“You got 2 sounds right or 2 syllables correct – Let’s look at the 3rd sound in the word or 3rd syllable.”)
- Can be used with words in a row (“You got 4 words correct - Let’s examine word #5.”)
- Can be used with sentences. (“You got 10 words correct – Let’s look at the word after shop.”)