

**Dolch Nouns:  
Most Commonly Used Words**

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## INTRODUCTION

Edward W. Dolch made a list of 95 commonly used noun words. Many of these words can be found in children's books and what we read in daily life.

It is important for a child to practice over and over again until the words are learned. Make sure you spend time with the child to help them master these words.

**Contents:** The resources in this book can be used in the following ways:

**Dolch 95 Nouns Word List:** This is for your own use to know which words are in that grade level.

**3x5 Cards:** These can be given to the child to learn the words.

**Smaller Word Lists:** Test the knowledge of a child using this word lists. These can be cut and used separately or used as one page. (The child can use these word lists too.)

### **Flash Cards**

Directions: Print and cut the words out. (Laminate.) Place in sealable plastic bags and label each level.

Option 1: Choose the cards you would like your child (or student) to practice. You (or a child that is at a higher reading level) can hold each card up for the child. Have the child say (and spell) the word out loud. Shuffle the cards and repeat.

Option 2: Have the child make different sentences using these words (and other words not available in this book) alone or with someone else.

## **Games**

Directions: Make two copies of level of words. (See the *Flash Cards Directions*.)

### **Concentration**

Lay out all the cards (the words the child is working on) face down. Turn two cards over and try to find a match. If the cards match, have the child say (and spell) the word and place the matching card on top of the other matching card. If the child does not make a match, turn the cards back over. Repeat the process until all of the cards have matching pairs.

### **Go Fish**

Play this with two or more players. Use the words that you are working on (choose about 50 words). Deal five cards (face down) to each player. Place the rest of the cards in a draw pile (face down). Have the players remove the matching cards and place them face up so everyone can see them. Have one person start the game. Have that person choose a word that he/she has in his hands and ask another person, "Do you have the word ... (say the word-younger children can spell the word or you can help them way the word)? If the person that was asked has the card, he/she hands it to the person that asked for that word. If the person that was asked did not have that word, say, "Go Fish!" and take a card from the draw pile. If he/she had the word that was asked, that person will get another turn. If he/she does not have that word, the next player goes next. If anyone runs out of cards, he/she can take a card from the draw pile. Repeat the game until all the words have been found. The player with the most matching sets of words wins the game.

## Dolch Nouns Word List

apple	day	home	school
baby	dog	horse	seed
back	doll	house	sheep
ball	door	kitty	shoe
bear	duck	leg	sister
bed	egg	letter	snow
bell	eye	man	song
bird	farm	men	squirrel
birthday	farmer	milk	stick
boat	father	money	street
box	feet	morning	sun
boy	fire	mother	table
bread	fish	name	thing
brother	floor	nest	time
cake	flower	night	top
car	game	paper	toy
cat	garden	party	tree
chair	girl	picture	watch
chicken	good-by	pig	water
children	grass	rabbit	way
Christmas	ground	rain	wind
coat	hand	ring	window
corn	head	robin	wood
cow	hill	Santa Claus	
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# 3x5 Cards

## DOLCH NOUNS (WORDS 1-24)

apple	baby	back	ball	bear	bed
bell	bird	birthday	boat	box	boy
bread	brother	cake	car	cat	chair
chicken	children	Christmas	coat	corn	cow

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## DOLCH NOUNS (WORDS 25-48)

day	dog	doll	door	duck	egg
eye	farm	farmer	father	feet	fire
fish	floor	flower	game	garden	girl
good-by	grass	ground	hand	head	hill

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### DOLCH NOUNS (WORDS 49-72)

home	horse	house	kitty	leg	letter
man	men	milk	money	morning	mother
name	nest	night	paper	party	picture
pig	rabbit	rain	ring	robin	Santa Claus

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### DOLCH NOUNS (WORDS 73-95)

school	seed	sheep	shoe	sister	snow
song	squirrel	stick	street	sun	table
thing	time	top	toy	tree	watch
water	way	wind	window	wood	

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DOLCH NOUNS (WORDS 1-24)

baby	corn	men
wind	top	bed
bell	tree	bird
cake	seed	ball
girl	boy	snow
coat	cow	boat
bear	song	cat
pig	doll	apple

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DOLCH NOUNS (WORDS 25-48)

day	leg	man
time	stick	eye
dog	farm	feet
shoe	way	hand
hill	paper	box
father	egg	fish
sun	rain	game
brother	toy	head

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DOLCH NOUNS (WORDS 49-72)

money	picture	sister
chair	night	fire
rabbit	Christmas	home
morning	horse	name
wood	duck	party
letter	Santa Claus	grass
house	farmer	street
nest	mother	flower

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DOLCH NOUNS (WORDS 73-95)

ring	car	table
squirrel	garden	back
chicken	bread	floor
window	time	school
ground	door	watch
sheep	water	robin
milk	children	thing
kitty	good-by	

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