## The Land of Consonant Blends

Are you a vowel who is ready to travel to the Land of Consonant Blends? Let's learn a little bit about the trip first. The Land of Consonant Blends is a land that is just waiting for vowels like you to come so they can build new words. But, it is a long, hard trip to get there. The Land of Consonant Blends is just one land in the Kingdom of Words, and there are other lands you must pass through who want to have vowels to make words too. You must be strong to make it the whole way to the Land of Consonant Blends. You will pass through the Cotton Candy Forest and travel the Popcorn Path. You might have to stop there and if you do, they will try to talk you into staying to help them build words. The Cotton Candy Forest builds CVC words like hat, dog, and cat. The Popcorn Path builds CVCC words like hall, wall, and mall.

Next, you have a little time to just enjoy the trip before you get to the Ice Cream Cone Towers. The Ice Cream Cone Towers build words with a long vowel in the middle and a silent "e" at the end. There you will find words such as like, make, and sale. Then, it is on to Muffin Mountains. Muffin Mountains build CVVC words, like goat, mail, and meet. After you get through the Muffin Mountains, you are almost to the Land of Consonant Blends where you can make lots of great words like star, shop, blue, brain, and many more. Can you make it to the Land of Consonant Blends?

Preparing the Game:

1. Attach two file folders together by overlapping one side so you have three parts to glue the game board to. Attach the game board to the three parts of the file folders, matching the spaces on the board and trimming the pages where necessary to make them meet in the correct places.
2. Cut out the picture cards. If the cards are printed on cardstock or printed on paper and laminated, they will hold up longer, but they can be used just as easily if printed on regular copy paper. Each of the cards has a picture of a word that starts with a consonant blend. You have to know what the consonant blend is at the beginning of the word when you hear it in order to move in the game.
3. Choose a marker you can use. You can use a bean, a button, or a marker from another game. Tape a piece of paper on your marker that shows what vowel you want to be: $a, e, i, o$, or $u$. Or you can write the vowel on the marker if a parent says it is okay.
4. Cut out the direction cards to use if you land on a space that has a red square around the consonant blend. If the cards are printed on cardstock or printed on paper and laminated, they will hold up longer, but they can be used just as easily if printed on regular copy paper.
Playing the Game:
5. Shuffle the picture cards and place them in a stack beside the game board. Shuffle the direction cards and place them in a separate stack beside the game board.
6. Each player puts a marker on start. Decide who will go first.

| Non <br> glasses | groundhog | prince | shawl | sled |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | princess | sheep | sleeping bag |
| gloves | plane |  | shelf |  |
|  | planet | scale | shell | sleigh |
| graduate | plant | scalp |  | slide |
| grapes | plate | scar | sheriff | slime |
| graph | platypus | scarecrow |  |  |
|  | pliers | scarf | shirt |  |
|  | plow |  | skate |  |
| grater |  |  |  | smell |
| gray | plums | scout | skeleton | smile |
| green | plumber | scuba |  |  |
| griddle | pray | sculpture |  |  |
| grill | present |  | skull | snake |
| grin | pretzel | shamrock |  |  |
| groom | price | shark | skyscraper | sneakers |


|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |


| If you are an "a" or an "e," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "a" or an "i," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "a" or an "o," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| If you are an "a" or a "u," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "e" or an "i," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "e" or an "o," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. |
| If you are an "e" or a "u," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "i" or an "o," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "i" or a "u," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. |
| If you are an "o" or a "u," you must skip a turn while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "a" or an "e," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "a" or an "i," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. |
| If you are an "a" or an "o," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "a" or a "u," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "e" or an "i," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. |
| If you are an "e" or an "o," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "e" or a "u," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "i" or an "o," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. |
| If you are an "i" or a "u," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "o" or a "u," take an extra turn on your way to The Land of Consonant Blends. | If you are an "a" or an "e," move back one space while you think about whether you want to go on to The Land of Consonant Blends. |

