

## **HOW TO PLAY BANG!**

Cut out all cards for the Bang! level your child is ready to play. Add as many cards that say "Bang!" as you would like. You can add all of them but if you keep pulling out Bang! cards and would rather pull out more sight word cards, take some Bang! cards out.

Place the cut out cards in a tall, non see-through cup or a non see-through bag. Place a discard container of some sort (another cup or little basket) between the players (or just slide the discards into the middle).

You can play the game alone or with any number of players. If a player can't read a word, another player can help that player read the card.

Pull out a card and read it. Place it in front of you. Then pass the cup or bag and the next player pulls out a card and reads it. If you pull out a Bang!, you must put all of the cards in front of you and the Bang! card in the discard container (or in the middle). Then pass the cup. See who can collect the largest pile of words without getting a Bang!

You are welcome to modify the game any way you wish.

### **OTHER THINGS TO DO WITH BANG! CARDS:**

#### **\*SORTS**

Sort the sight words. Sort by:

- number of letters in the word (a pile for one letter words, a pile for two letter words and so on)

- number of vowels in the word (one vowel, two vowels etc.)

- a pile for words that end in consonants and a pile for words that end in vowels

- words that have the letter "t" and words that don't (etc.)

- ANY SORT YOU CAN THINK OF!

\*Take turns pulling cards and see if each player can spell his/her word with his/her eyes closed (after reading the word first of course).

\*Take turns pulling cards and see if each player can use his/her word in a sentence.

\*When your child is ready for Bang Phrases, see if your child can use the whole phrase, without changing it in any way, in a sentence. This can be very tricky!