

## Self Assessing

### **What is "Self Assessing" and why is it important?**

"Self Assessing" (Gaskins et al., 1989) is a strategy that helps your child check his understanding of the letter/sound associations he is learning.

### **How can I use "Self Assessing" with my child?**

Encourage your child to share with you his knowledge of the letter/sound associations he is learning. Ask him to explain what he knows about the vowels or spelling pattern that he is studying. For example, he might say, "The word I am studying is pain. The spelling pattern is ain and it rhymes with pain."

Your child can give his explanation orally or write it in a "Word Study Notebook."

The word is     pain     .

The spelling pattern is     ain     .

It rhymes with     train     .

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