

Core Skills Analysis

English Language Arts

- Logan learned to recognize and differentiate common digraphs: 'ch', 'sh', 'th', and 'wh', enhancing phonemic awareness.
- Logan practiced fine motor skills by tracing and writing digraphs, supporting handwriting fluency (EN2-HANDW-01).
- By grouping words into sentences, Logan developed skills in sentence structure and comprehension, connecting phonics to meaningful context (EN1-RECOM-01).
- The drawing and coloring tasks helped Logan link sounds to visual representations, supporting vocabulary development and multisensory learning (ENE-VOCAB-01).

Tips

To deepen Logan's understanding of digraphs, engage him in interactive reading sessions where he identifies and highlights digraphs in storybooks, reinforcing sound-letter relationships. Try phonics games that involve sorting or matching words by their digraphs to boost decoding skills in an engaging way. Encourage Logan to create his own short sentences or stories using words with the target digraphs to integrate writing and creative thinking. Additionally, integrating auditory discrimination activities—like clapping or tapping out syllables containing the digraph sounds—can consolidate phonemic awareness through movement.

Book Recommendations

- [Chicka Chicka Boom Boom](#) by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault: A lively alphabet rhyme story that introduces letters and sounds with playful rhymes and colorful illustrations.
- [Sheep in a Jeep](#) by Nancy Shaw: A charming and humorous book with simple words and repetition, ideal for practicing digraph sounds in context.
- [The Cat in the Hat](#) by Dr. Seuss: A classic beginner book filled with rhymes and playful language that includes many digraph sounds and encourages early reading skills.

Learning Standards

- EN2-HANDW-01: Forms legible joined letters to develop handwriting fluency.
- EN1-RECOM-01: Comprehends independently read texts by connecting and understanding sentences and monitoring for meaning.
- ENE-VOCAB-01: Understands and effectively uses Tier 1 and Tier 2 words in familiar contexts, linking sounds to vocabulary.
- EN1-OLC-01: Communicates effectively by extending and elaborating ideas for social and learning interactions through sentence formation.

Try This Next

- Worksheet: Create a cut-and-paste activity where Logan matches words containing 'ch', 'sh', 'th', and 'wh' to corresponding pictures.
- Writing prompt: Ask Logan to write a short story or comic strip using at least five words with different digraphs, then illustrate it.
- Quiz questions: Identify which digraph is in a given word and write your own word with that digraph.
- Listening game: Play a sound identification game where Logan hears a word and chooses the correct digraph it contains.

Growth Beyond Academics

This activity likely fostered Logan's confidence in his reading and writing skills through multisensory

engagement and clear structure. The combination of tracing, writing, and coloring can promote focus and a sense of accomplishment. Encouraging creative expression through drawing also supports motivation and positive emotional connection to literacy learning.