

CASEY'S CLUES

FOCUS

Language Arts: spelling, blends, digraphs, onsets and rimes

SOFTWARE CONNECTION

Casey's Soccer Field, CJ's Swamp

GROUPING

whole class, individuals

SUPPLIES

single copy of Casey's Clues Activity Sheet A
copies of Casey's Clues Activity Sheet B
(1 per student)

scissors

plastic tub or similar container

pencils

ACTIVITY

1. In preparation, cut the cards on Activity Sheet A apart, and put them in a plastic tub or a similar container.
2. Explain that the plastic tub contains word endings for which the class will furnish the beginning sounds. Ask a volunteer to draw a word ending out of the tub. Hold it up and let volunteers suggest word beginnings—both single letters and consonant combinations:



Add *m-* for *mad*.

Add *s-* for *sad*.

Add *gl-* for *glad*.

Continue with different volunteers until all of the word endings have been drawn from the tub.

3. Distribute Activity Sheet B. Explain how to complete the page:
 - At the top of the page, use "Casey's Clues" to find which word belongs in the blank.
 - Then find each word in the word search puzzle. Words may be hidden horizontally, vertically, or diagonally.
4. Discuss the activity sheets as a class as students check their answers.

1. It rhymes with PUP.
It starts with CH. chop

2. It rhymes with PUP.
Cats wear one. cap

3. It ends with ACE.
It is a color. black

4. It rhymes with TANK.
You put money in it. bank

5. It rhymes with DOT.
It starts with SP. spot

6. It rhymes with GATE.
You eat food off it. plate

7. It rhymes with GRASS.
It is sharp. pin

Word Search:

A	I	Q	C	K	O	P	U	K
P	L	A	T	E	C	H	I	Z
O	K	P	W	S	E	D	O	N
S	C	H	O	P	K	B	H	O
F	O	A	C	T	R	A	S	D
Y	S	I	B	A	H	N	U	L
E	P	C	I	K	P	K	Z	N
L	O	B	S	G	I	U	V	R
W	T	M	O	B	L	A	C	K

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Activity Sheet A

-ad



-all



-ake



-OSS



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Activity Sheet B

- It rhymes with POP.
It starts with CH.
- It rhymes with MAP.
Casey wears one.
- It ends with ACK.
It is a color.
- It rhymes with TANK.
You put money in it.
- It rhymes with DOT.
It starts with SP.
- It rhymes with GATE.
You eat food off it.
- It rhymes with GRIN.
It is sharp.

Handwriting practice lines for each clue, consisting of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line.



A	I	Q	C	K	O	P	U	K
P	L	A	T	E	C	H	I	Z
O	K	P	W	S	E	D	O	N
S	C	H	O	P	K	B	H	O
F	O	A	C	T	R	A	S	D
Y	S	I	B	A	H	N	U	L
E	P	C	I	K	P	K	Z	N
L	O	B	S	G	I	U	V	R
W	T	M	O	B	L	A	C	K