Oct 28-30, 2014 Family Letter

Dear Family,

The emphasis in this lesson is on producing the /s/consonant clusters at the beginning of words. There are many, many words in English which begin with an /s/ cluster, so working on this pattern can lead to very positive, functional results. Since Halloween is coming up I’ve included a lot of holiday-oriented activities. The book for this lesson is **Inside a House That is Haunted** by Alyssa Capucilli

Listening List- Read this word list to your child. Slightly emphasize the  */s/ cluster* sound at the beginning of each word.

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| skull  step  sleep | scare  stop  smell | snake  sweet  spine | story  stake  sweep |

Target Words- Look for these things in your home and community.

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| spider  skeleton | stick  sweat |

Suggested Home activities:

1. Have races of stomping, and stepping and swooping.
2. Count stop signs in your neighborhood with your child.
3. Look for spiders in your yard. See how many webs you can fund.
4. Play Red Light, Green Light, but use the words “Stop” and “Start” instead.
5. Other books with a lot of /s/ clusters are :

The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle

Where’s Spot? By Eric Hill

There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Pie by Alison Jackson

The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats

1. I’ve put together a playlist of Halloween songs with a lot of /s/ cluster words @ <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL_YRCG0E8foh0jncDBiZ3isIk9N3JrsSY>

This letter will be posted on my website with other activities. Have fun & Happy Halloween!

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