



Short Vowel Letter Cutouts

For the Short Vowel lesson, you're going to need one of each vowel for each student you're serving. We use an Ellison machine like the one picture below.



You can cut out your own letters (lowercase only, please) if you have access to this kind of tool. If you're a classroom teacher, invite a volunteer to cut the letters out for your class.

You'll need: red paper for a's, gray paper for e's, brown paper for i's, white paper for o's, and blue paper for u's and the ½" x 1.5" arms (2 per student).

You can also use the printable short vowel poster, included, however **this should be used only as a last resort**. There is a lot of value in kids holding the letters in their hands, orienting them on the page correctly (with your explicit direction), and adding glue. The task is far more engaging and therefore more memorable. That's what we want.

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