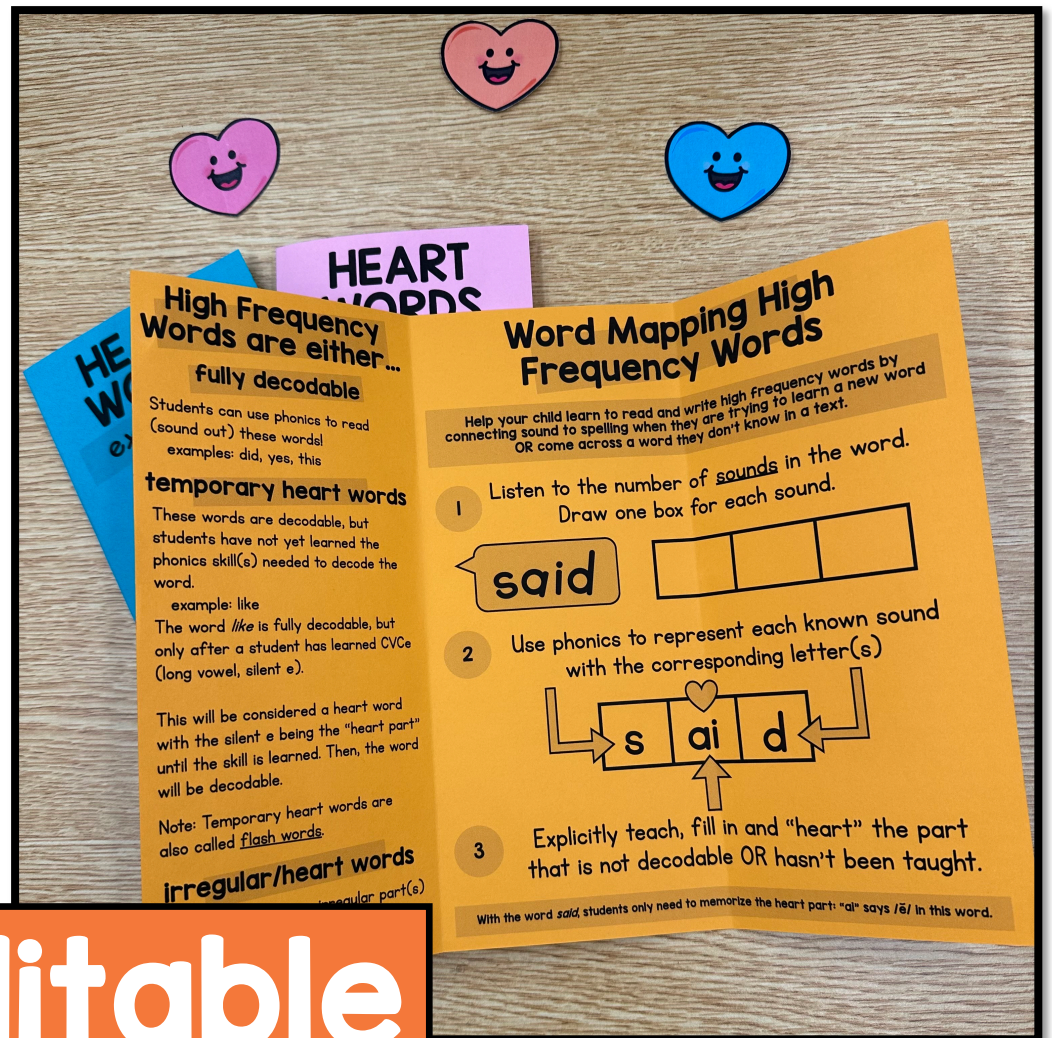
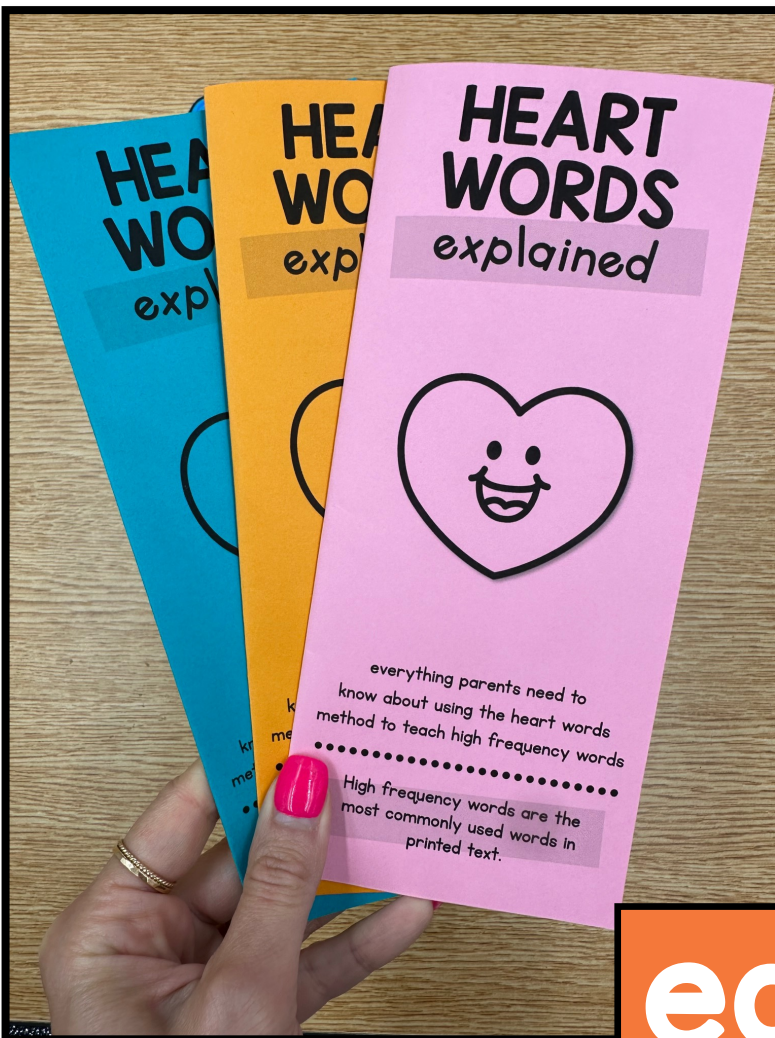


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What happened to sight words?
Did you know that memorizing high frequency words, also known as *sight words*, is not the most effective way to teach high frequency words?

Many of these words are actually decodable, which means that students can use phonics to read (sound out) these words.

For example, the word *did* is fully decodable, which means a young reader would be able to "sound it out." No memorization needed here!

However, there are still some words that are irregular, or not fully decodable. These are known as "heart words."

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DONE-for-YOU explanation for using the Science of Reading aligned heart words method for teaching high frequency words!

WHO IS IT FOR?

This resource was created for **any teacher** who **wants to explain the heart words method** to their **students' parents/guardians**.



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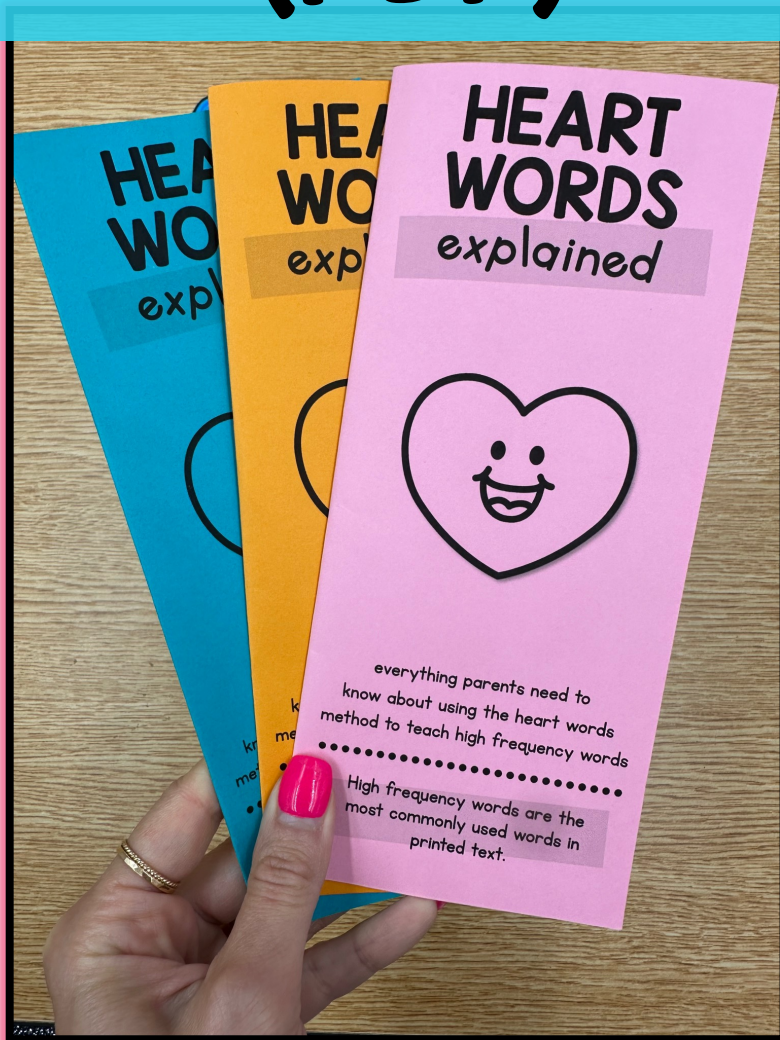
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- ♥ The **definition** of a high frequency word
- ♥ Why **“sight words”** are **not** an effective method for teaching high frequency words
- ♥ How the heart words **method works** and **why** it’s effective
- ♥ The **3 types** of high frequency words and **how to** classify them
- ♥ How to **word map** high frequency words to **help their child learn**
- ♥ The **most common high frequency words**, categorized

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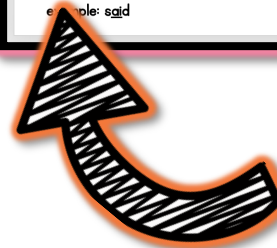
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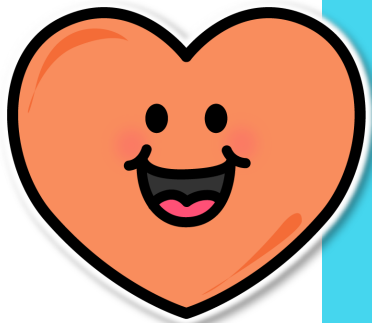
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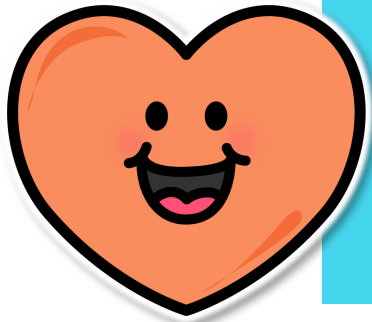
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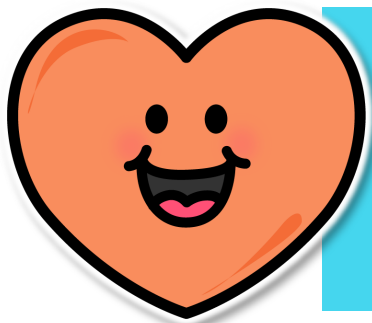
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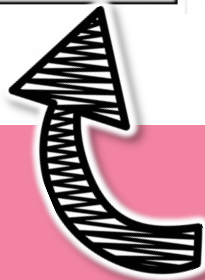
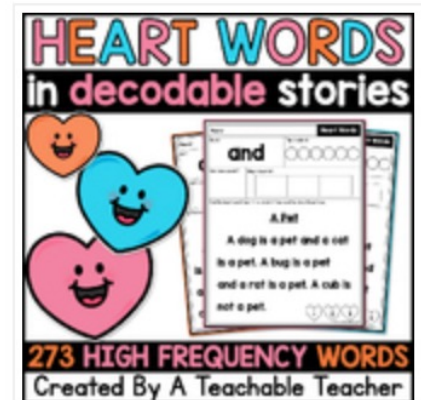
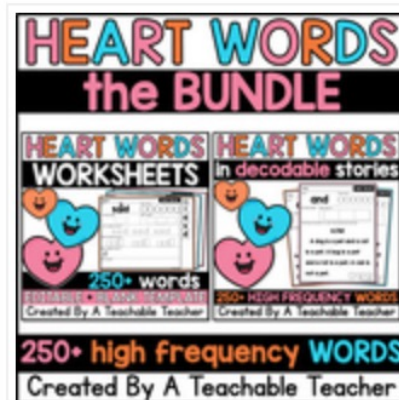


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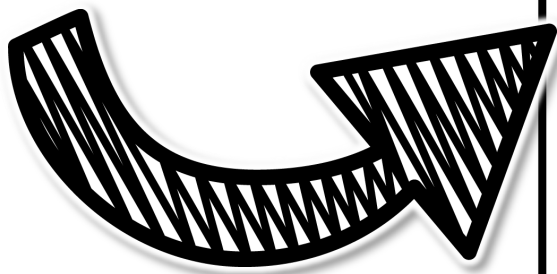
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