## What to do when your child gets <br> STUCK ON A WORD

Pause a bit to see if she self corrects. If not, determine the "type" of word.

| Closed Syllable | Words where the letters and sounds match. These words can easily be sounded out if your child knows their letters and sounds | sit, top, jump, brag | Blend it (sound it out) |
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| Irregular Words | Words that cannot be sounded out because the letter combinations are unique to the word. Many sight words are irregular words. | who, their, should, of, good | Get the first sound then give the word |
| Vowel Patterns | Long vowel patterns- two or more letters that represent a long vowel sound <br> R-controlled vowels- ar, ir, er, ur, or, ur | rake, rain, tree, coast <br> bird, car, burn | Point to letter combinations and determine if she knows the sound. <br> If so, help her blend the word If not, provide the sound for the vowel pattern and help her blend the word |
| Affixes and Multi Syllabic Words | Affixes are words that have prefixes (pre-, un-) and suffixes (-ing, -ed) <br> Multisyllabic words are longer words with two or more syllables | undress, pretest, jumped superhero | Use your finger and cover up part of the word. Help her to sound out each part and then blend together |

