Letter Cube Blending

**Objective**
The student will blend sounds of letters to make words.

**Materials**
- Letter cubes (Activity Master P.036 AM1a - P.036 AM1c) *Copy on card stock, laminate, cut, and assemble.*
- Student sheet (Activity Master P.036 SS)
- Pencils

**Activity**
Students make words using consonant and vowel cubes.
1. Place the three cubes on a flat surface. Provide each student with a student sheet.
2. Taking turns, students roll the cubes. Place each cube on the matching number on the student sheet. Say the sound of each letter, blend them, and read the word orally (e.g., "/k//o//b/, cob").
3. Determine if the word is real or nonsense and record it in the corresponding column on the student sheet.
4. Continue until at least ten words are recorded.
5. Teacher evaluation

**Extensions and Adaptations**
- Complete an open sort with the words from the compiled lists.
- Use a timer to make as many real words as possible in a minute.
Letter Cube Blending

Letter cube 1

1

m

glue
glue

glue
Letter Cube Blending

1. Cut along the lines to unfold the cube.
2. Glue the letter cubes together, ensuring they are in the correct order.
3. Practice sounding out words using the letters on the cube.

Example: gl_ _ _

Word: glue
Letter Cube Blending

Cubes

1 2 3

Real words

Nonsense words

©2005 The Florida Center for Reading Research (Revised, 2008)