Ch and Tch Words

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ch

one quick sound, as in chick

Read the word, find the ch, then check the picture.
Cut along the dashed lines for flash cards.

Read it now (lesson 48) a short vowel plus ch

read

chick

chips

chin

check

chess

Picture words hear the ch now, read them later

start

cheese

chair

chain

cherry

cheetah

end

peach

beach

bench

couch

sandwich

more

lunchbox

teacher

ostrich

chimney

church

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tch

three letters, one sound, as in match

Tch comes right after one short vowel letter. Read the word, find the tch, then check the picture.

Tch words later in 1st grade (lesson 69)

tch

match

witch

switch

ditch

sketch

tch

crutch

watch

kitchen

ketchup

hopscotch

The ch or tch rule

Right after one short vowel letter	write **tch**: **catch**, **fetch**, **itch**, **notch**, **hutch**
After a consonant or a vowel team	write **ch**: **lunch**, **bench**, **peach**, **coach**
At the start of a word	always **ch**: **chip**, **chin**
Rule breakers	**much**, **such**, **rich**, **which** (learn them by heart)

Ch or tch? Fill it in.

Read the start, say the whole word, then write **ch** or **tch**. Is there one short vowel right before the sound? Then it's tch.

1. **ca** _____
2. **lun** _____
3. **pea** _____
4. **i** _____
5. **ben** _____
6. **fe** _____
7. **pa** _____
8. **di** _____
9. **bea** _____
10. **hu** _____

Answer key. 1 **catch**, 2 **lunch**, 3 **peach**, 4 **itch**, 5 **bench**, 6 **fetch**, 7 **patch**, 8 **ditch**, 9 **beach**, 10 **hutch**. tch: 1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10 (one short vowel before it). ch: 2 and 5 (after a consonant), 3 and 9 (after a vowel team).

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Ch words

start with the short vowel words, then add the rest

start: read it now	chip · chin · chop · chat · chick · check · chess · chug
start: with blends	chest · chimp · champ · chomp
start: other vowels	cheese · chair · chain · cheek · cherry · chicken · cheetah · chew
middle	lunchbox · teacher · children · armchair · sandwiches
end: after a consonant	lunch · bunch · munch · bench · pinch · inch · ranch
end: after a vowel team	peach · beach · teach · reach · coach · couch
rule breakers	much · such · rich · which

Tch words

right after one short vowel letter; the t is silent

-atch	catch · match · patch · latch · hatch · watch
-etch	fetch · sketch · stretch
-itch	itch · pitch · ditch · witch · switch · stitch
-otch, -utch	notch · hopscotch · hutch · clutch · crutch
longer words	kitchen · ketchup · stopwatch · hatchet · pitcher

Later: when ch says k or sh

give your child these words; don't drill them

ch says /k/	school · Christmas · echo · chorus · stomach
ch says /sh/	chef · machine · Chicago · mustache

Read it out loud

Ch (lesson 48)

1. Chip had a chat.
2. The chick is in the hut.
3. Chad can chop.

Tch (lesson 69)

4. Fetch the red chip.
5. I can match the patch.
6. Mitch can catch it.

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