

L Blend Word Ladder

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Start at the bottom. **Adult** reads the clue. **Kid** changes one letter to write the new word it describes. The dark line shows which letter changes.

to drop down in a floppy heap

to turn something over

to slide on something wet

it holds sheets of paper together

you do this with two hands to
make a sound

you roll it and squash it into
shapes

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Start here ↑



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L Blend Word Ladder Answer Key

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For the grown-up. How to climb the ladder with your child, and every rung with the letter that changes on it marked.

How to climb it

1. **Adult and kid** read the bottom word together. That one is given, so nobody has to guess where to start.
2. **Adult** reads the next clue up and lets them say the word it describes. Say both words — *clay ... clap* — and ask which sound changed.
3. **Kid** writes the whole word, not just the letter that changed. Then climbs to the next rung.

If a **rung stalls**, say the two words slowly rather than naming the letter. Hearing the swap is the exercise; the spelling follows it.

to drop down in a floppy
heap

flop

to turn something over

flip

to slide on something wet

slip

it holds sheets of paper
together

clip

you do this with two hands
to make a sound

clap

you roll it and squash it into
shapes

clay

clam

given on the sheet



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