dog pig

ant top

mug boy

fox bus

pie cow
Three-Letter Match & Spell

Set of 20 self-checking, three-piece puzzles are great for practicing beginning spelling and reading skills.
Before you begin, carefully separate each card into three pieces.

**About Three-Letter Match & Spell Puzzle Cards**
These cards are designed to provide an introduction to spelling. Matching an illustration with its 3-letter name helps early spellers identify letters and develop reading skills. Be sure to introduce the children to the layout of the cards so they can successfully complete the activities. As you separate the cards, show each picture, say the word, and spell it out loud. Have children repeat the words and letters back to you.

**Rhyming Words**
Turn the cards over so the same color is facing up. Have children complete one puzzle by fitting together the three pieces that form the picture and word. Now have children make a list of words that rhyme with the completed card. For example, if the puzzle says RUG, your list of rhyming words might include BUG, JUG, MUG, HUG, and SLUG.

**Spelling Surprise**
Complete one puzzle. Take a sheet of paper and cover the word at the bottom of the card so that only the picture is visible. Then ask children to name the object. Have them say the word out loud and help them to identify each letter of the word by its sound. Now have them spell the word. Repeat this activity with as many cards as you like!

**Silly Stories**
Turn the cards over so the same color is facing up. Have children complete three puzzles. Now have children make up a little story that uses each of the three words. For example, a story with the words CAT, BOY and RUG might sound like this: “There was a BOY named Joe who had a pet CAT that liked to sleep on the RUG.”