am Word Family List

am	ram	tram
clam	Sam	wham
cram	scam	yam
dam	scram	exam
gram	sham	program
ham	slam	diagram
jam	swam*	telegram

am Cut and Paste

ham		tram	
ram		jam	
scram		swam	
Sam		exam	
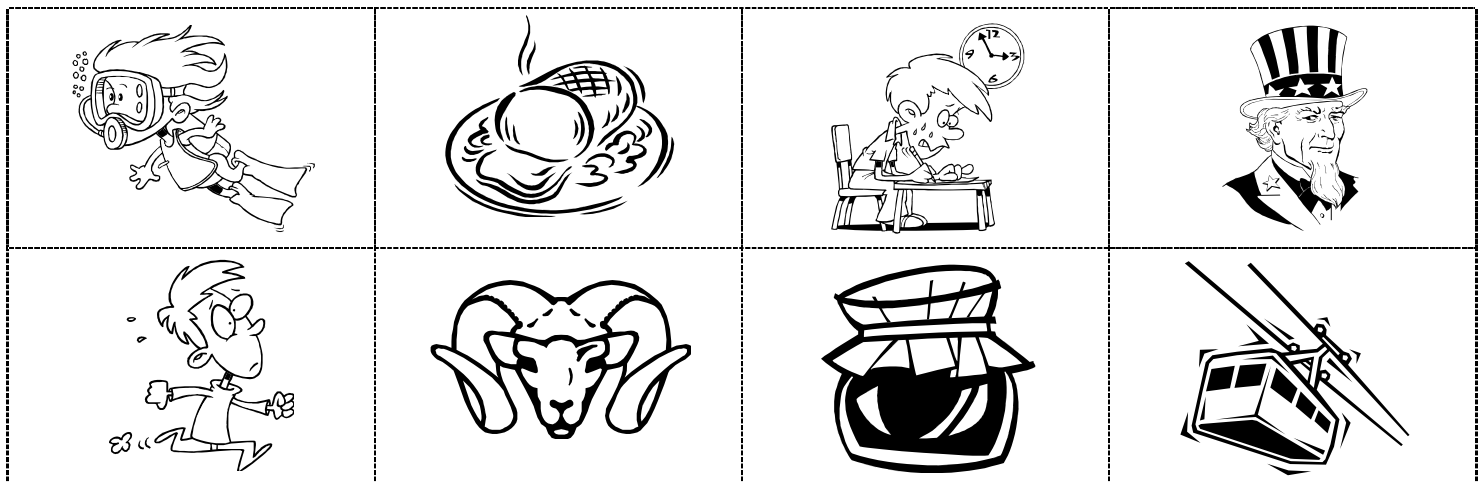
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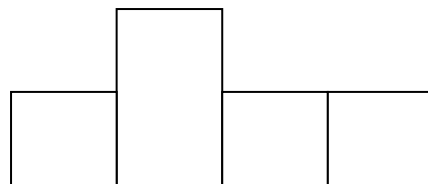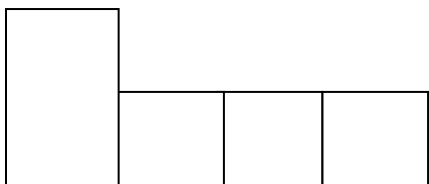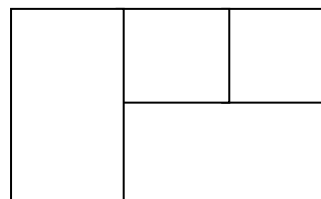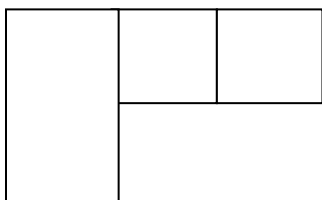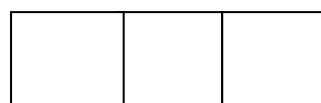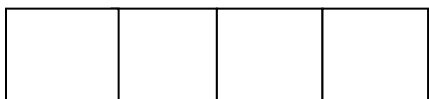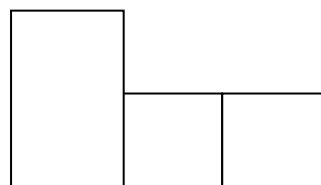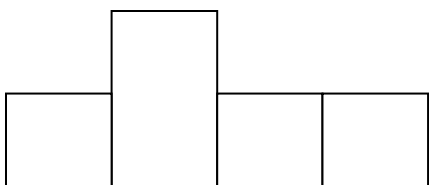
Word Bank

clam	slam	ram
swam	tram	yam
ham		jam

Cloze the Gap! (am)

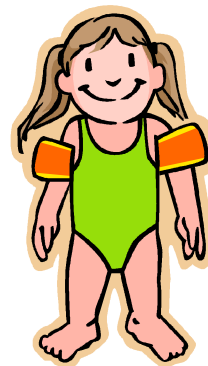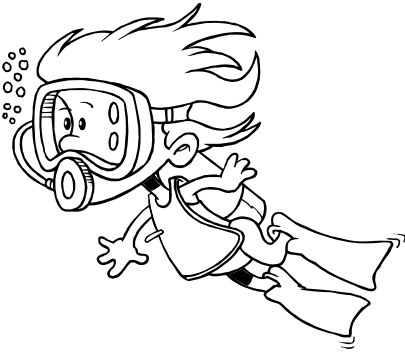Read the following sentences, saying the word "swam" when you come to a blank space. Use words from the *am* family to fill in the blanks and make sense. Reread your sentences to double check your choices!

1. Did you know that I _____ seven years old now?

2. My grandma likes for me to call her _____.

3. We had _____ for dinner on Sunday.

4. Pam _____ ten laps in the pool yesterday.

5. A test is also called an _____.

6. Lincoln's first name was _____.

7. Don't_____ the door when you go out!

8. A daddy sheep is called a _____.

9. Do you want _____ on your bread?

10. Some people call a lady _____ to be polite.

11. Dr. Seuss made the name _____ famous.

Word Bank

ma'am	ham	exam	ram	Gram
jam	am	swam	slam	Abraham
Sam				

Definition Derby: am

Read each –am family word in the first column. Find the correct definition and write the matching letter next to the word (see sample). Write each word in a sentence.

| Word		Sentence	Definition
1. am	k	*I am very happy that we won the game today.*	a. the meat from the back leg or shoulder of a hog
2. clam			b. a male sheep
3. cram			c. trolley
4. ham			d. a kind of sweet potato
5. jam			e. to close with force
6. ram			f. a trick or a rip-off
7. scam			g. to stuff, pack, or fill up
8. scram			h. an animal with a soft body and a hinged shell
9. slam			i. blocked traffic; a food made of fruit and sugar
10. swam			j. the past tense of *swim*
11. tram			k. a form of the word *be* that is used with *I*
12. yam			l. run off; skedaddle

Name _____

Say the name of each picture. If the picture belongs in the –am family and rhymes with swam, add –am to finish writing the word.
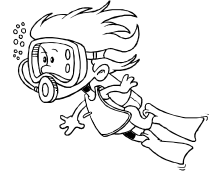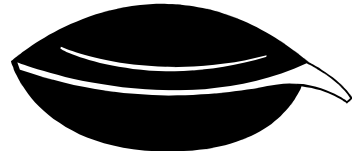
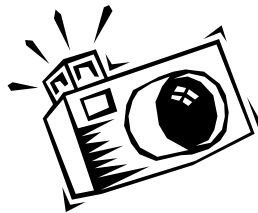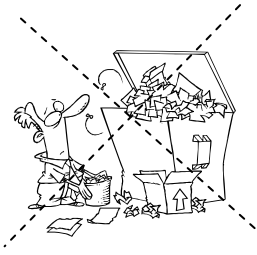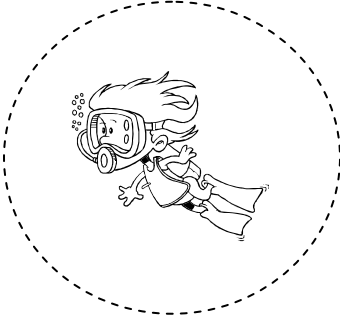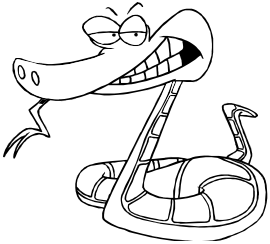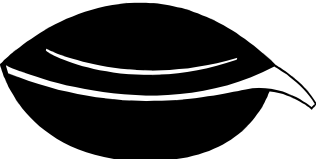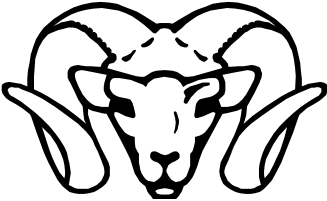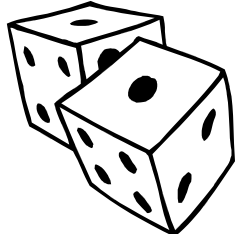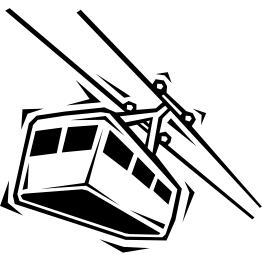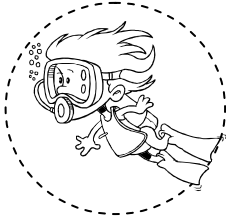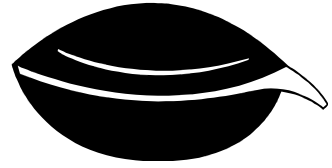|		
h___	tr___	sw___
ex___	sl___	cl___
r___	fl___	scr___

X's and O's

Directions for teacher/parent: Students circle each picture that ends with the –am rime. They make an x on each picture that does not end with the am rime.
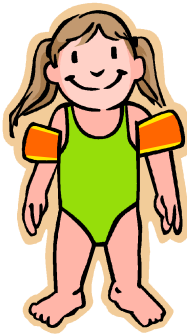
More X's and O's

Directions to teacher/parent: Students circle each picture that ends with the –am rime and write the word in the box. If the picture does not end with the -am rime, students make an x over the picture.

swam

Alphabet Avenue

Place the words below in alphabetical order.

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

5 _____

6 _____

7 _____

8 _____

9 _____

10 _____

11 _____
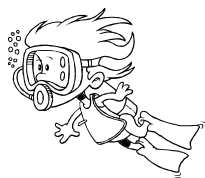
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Name _____

Say the name of each picture. Read the words and circle the word that names the
picture. Write the word underneath the picture. Make a picture for the last word.

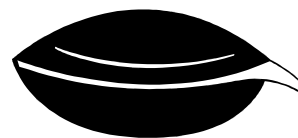|		
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him ham	ram rim	clip clam
scram skate	trim tram	yam
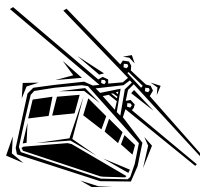
am Word Search

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r	o	m	i	b	n	c	f	o	k
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m	a	a	m	k	w	m	x	p	f
i	o	p	b	f	e	u	o	d	n
s	c	r	a	m	x	g	r	a	m
l	f	a	e	q	k	w	e	m	z
a	i	m	o	b	u	j	x	i	n
m	x	p	n	t	r	a	m	k	z
b	h	a	m	q	o	m	w	e	p

clam	cram	dam	gram	ham
jam	ma'am	ram	scam	scram
slam	swam	tram	yam	am

am Crossword Puzzle

swam

Across

1. a shellfish used in chowder
2. to run off
5. a unit of metric measurement
6. a male sheep
7. meat from a hog
10. a message sent by telegraph

Down

1. to stuff things into a bag
2. past tense of swim
3. a contraction for madam
4. another word for trolley
8. to shut a door with noise
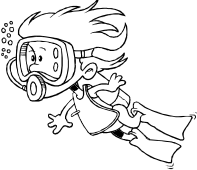9. a wall that holds back water

Word Bank

clam	cram	gram	swam	scram	tram
ma'am	ram	dam	slam	ham	telegram

Name _____

am See, Say, Spell and Write

swam

clam

Name _____

Look at the picture in each box. Circle the word that matches the picture. Write the word on the lines.
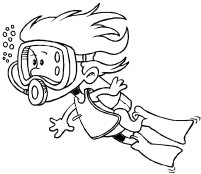
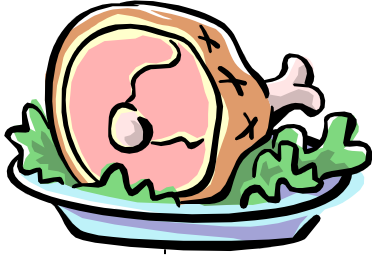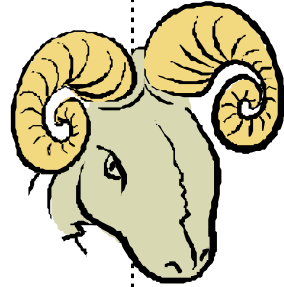|		
1.	ham him	_____
2.	exit exam	_____
3.	swam some	_____
4.	scam scram	_____
5.	run ram	_____

am Partner Puzzle.

ham

ram

jam
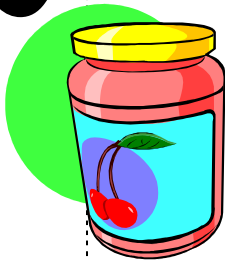
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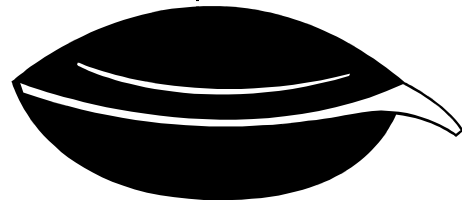
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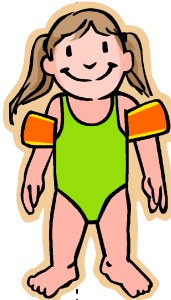
Sam

Score With Scrabble!

Word	Score
C₃ L₁ A₁ M₃	
C₃ R₁ A₁ M₃	
H₄ A₁ M₃	
J₈ A₁ M₃	
R₁ A₁ M₃	
S₁ C₃ R₁ A₁ M₃	
S₁ H₄ A₁ M₃	
S₁ L₁ A₁ M₃	
S₁ W₄ A₁ M₃	
T₁ R₁ A₁ M₃	
E₁ X₈ A₁ M₃	
Total	

Simple Sentences (am)

Name _____

Read each sentence below, saying the –am picture names as you read. Rewrite the sentence and change each picture to a word. Illustrate the sentences on the back of your paper.

1. We had and for dinner.

_____

_____

_____

2. Sam rode the to the .

_____

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_____

3. Pam in the pool.

_____

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am Family Word Slide

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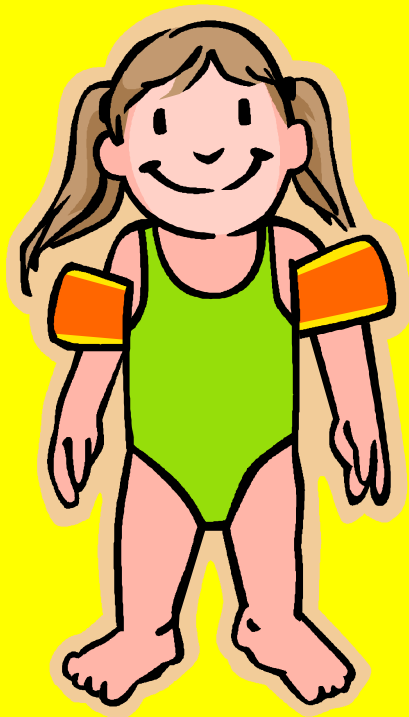
am Family Word Slide
(Sound Blending)

Print on vellum, cut, and laminate for durability. Cut the top and bottom slits to the left of the rime chunk for the slide. Model proper use for students: blending to form and say new words.

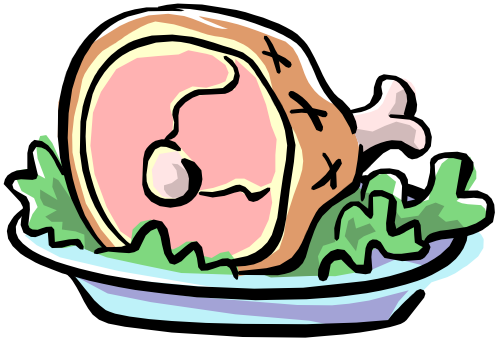| cl	scr
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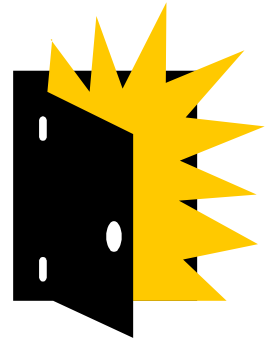
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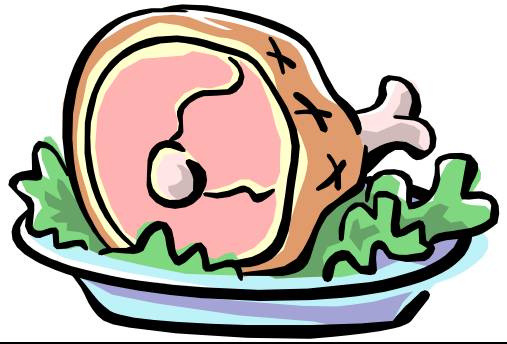
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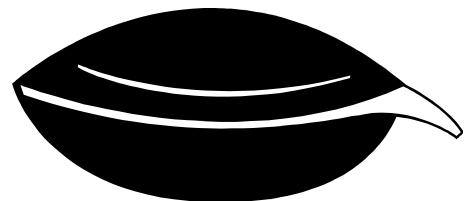
clam

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am Word and Pictures for Sorts

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yam

gram

wham

sham

_____am _____am

_____am _____am

_____am _____am

What's it Worth? (am)

		e	x	a	m	

e₁ → e (1), x (1), a (2), m (2)

a 1	a 1
a 1	a 1
m 2	m 2
m 2	m 2

s 5	w 5	s 5	r 5	r 5	h 4	c 4

am Stationery

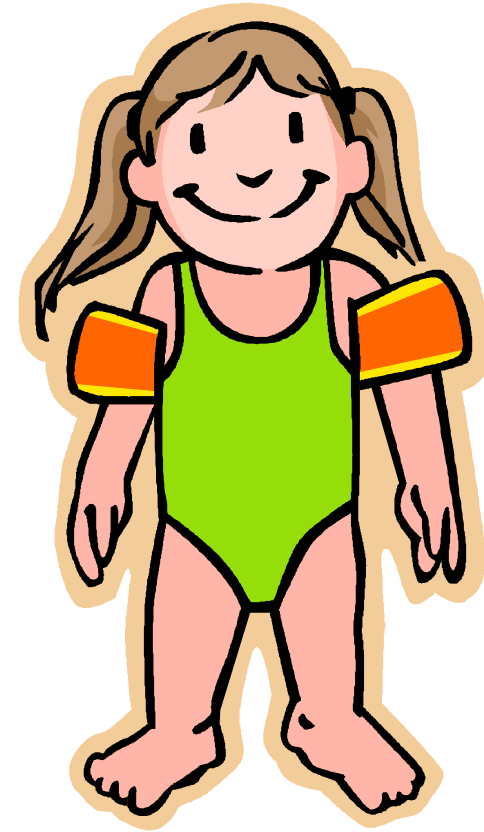am, clam, cram, gram, ham, jam, ram, scam,
scram, slam, swam, tram, wham, yam

Write sentences or a story with –am words of your choice.

My am Book

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