## Lesson 4 • the letter t

### **Learning objectives**

Children will:

- identify the sound t.
- identify words that begin with t.
- recognise the letters t and T.

### **Statutory Framework for EYFS**

## The Early Learning Goals in Literacy Word Reading ELG

• Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs.

### **Writing ELG**

 Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.

### **Vocabulary words**

tent, toe, turtle, table, teeth, triangle, train, tractor, tap, tomato, tooth, teepee, three, tv, ticket, toy, top, tiger, tie, ten, truck, telephone

#### **ESL/ELL**

Many Russian, Spanish or French speakers pronounce their ts softly, unlike the hard English /t/ sound. Give these pupils opportunities to practise the /t/ sound with their tongue tapping their top teeth in a short burst of sound.

### Extra assistance

A fun way to practise a sound repetitively is with tongue twisters. You should say it first, then ask the pupil to repeat it after you. Break the sentence into sections of 3 to 5 words if that is easier to start with. For the sound /t/ try these ones:

Mr. Tongue Twister tried to train his tongue to twist and turn to learn the letter "T".

Two tiny tigers take two taxis to town.

### Classroom activities

#### Which Hat?

Place three hats on the floor with the labels m, s and t. Discuss the sounds. Have a pile of objects or pictures of objects that start with m, s and t. Each pupil chooses one and works out which hat it must go in. Discuss their choice with the class.

### Bingo!

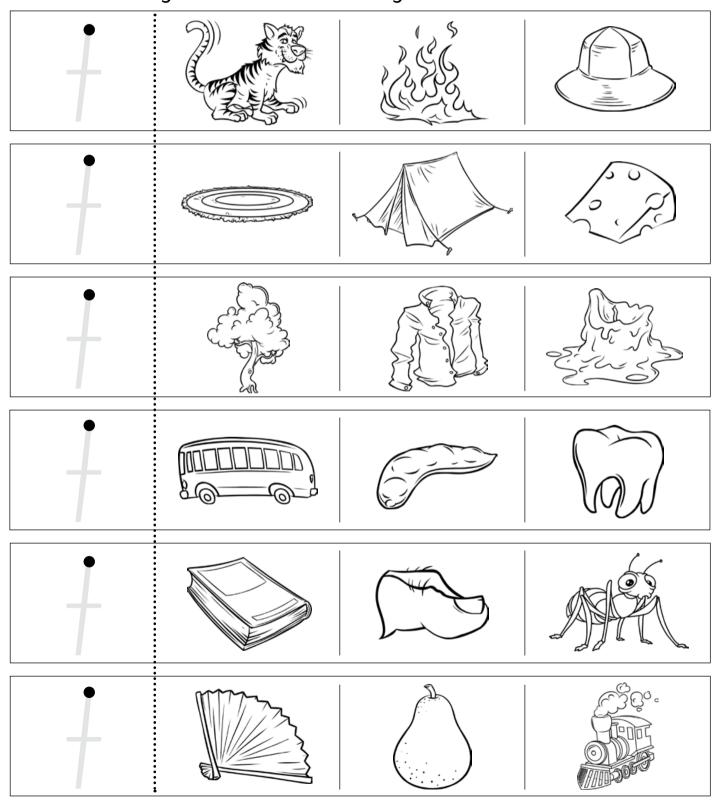
Give pupils a laminated board with 10 squares on it. Ask them to write a letter in each square from the list m, s, i, t (use whiteboard markers). Hold up pictures of items starting with m, s, i, t and say the name of the item in the picture. Pupils put a cross on that initial letter on their board. First one to 10 calls out 'bingo' and wins!

Reading Eggs Lesson sequence	TEACH Content and skills	PRACTISE Children will:	APPLY
Hear: Animated Lesson	Introduce the sound /t/ through words and the song To the Top.	identify and read /t/ sound in isolation and as a sound in words.	Worksheet 1 Phonemic awareness
Find: Letter Grid, Birds and Trains	Recognise t in both upper and lower case.	locate lower case t and capital T.	Worksheet 2 Handwriting
Match: In the Box	Match pictures to spoken and written words.	match pictures to their initial letter.	Worksheet 3 Initial sounds
Vocabulary: Label It and Letter Book	Build vocabulary skills: Match pictures to spoken and written words.	understand key vocabulary and apply it in reading.	Worksheet 4 Check
Read: Book	Read aloud book.	listen, follow the reading and read along.	Reading Eggs Alphabet book t



## Phonemic awareness

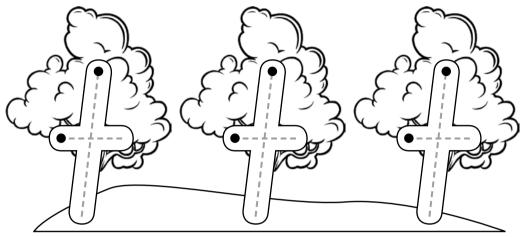
Circle the thing in each row that begins with **t**. Colour them.

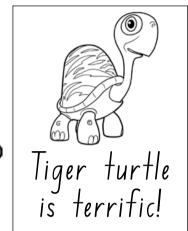


## Handwriting

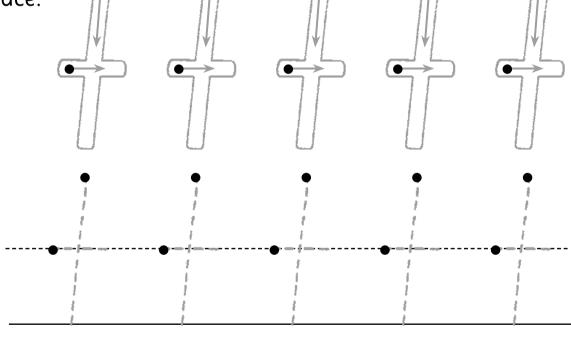
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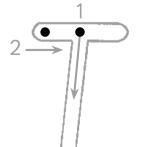
**1** Finish Tiger turtle's trees.

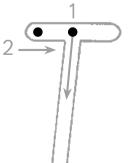












Circle your best letter.



## **Initial sounds**

**1** Add **t**. Read the word.





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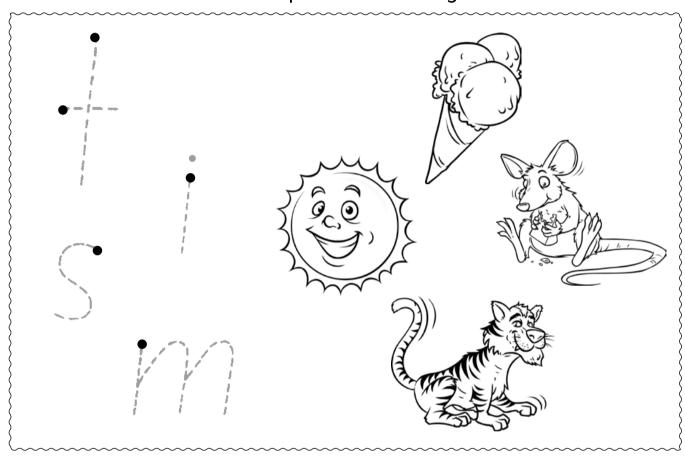
2 Draw some teeth.



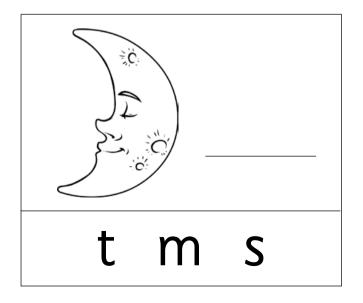
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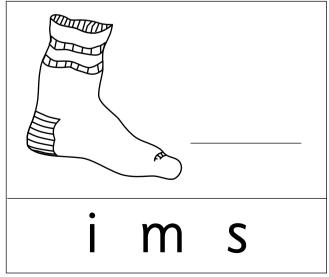
## Check

1 Trace the letter. Join to a picture that begins with that sound.



**2** Circle the beginning sound. Write the letter.





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	t	Draw	Trace	Write
tiger			<b>‡ ‡ ‡</b>	
• •	Table 1			
tap			<b>† † †</b>	
tent			† † †	
table • •			† † †	
tooth	(a)		† † †	
toe			† † †	
train	<b>1</b>		İİİ	

## Activity 1

Write a t each time you read the book.

I read t \_\_\_\_\_ times!



## Activity 2

Wiggle your toes for every *t* word.

I counted \_\_\_\_\_ t words.



### Activity 3

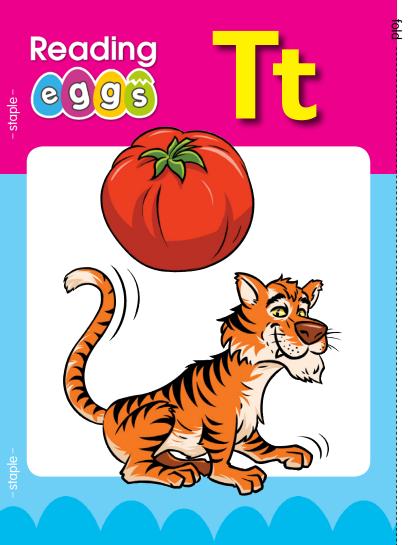
Draw two things that start with t.

I know words that start with t.

### **Activity 4**

Use twigs to make the letter t.

I can read the letter t!



## Tt

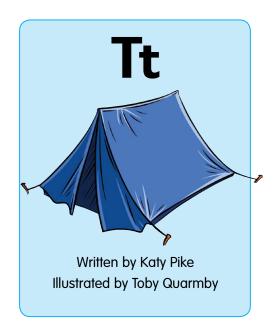
Level	Word count	Lexile
0	8	BR

Vocabulary words				
tiger	table			
tap	tooth			
tomato	toe			
tent	train			

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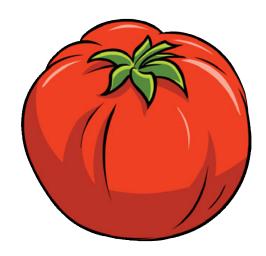




tiger



# tap



## tomato

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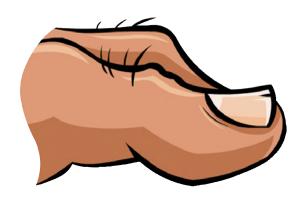
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table



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train

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