

# Short i Word Family Sort

## Lesson 3: Rain Fills the World

Directions for introducing the sort:

- Cut apart the words ahead of time (or your child can do this).
- Set up **will**, **sick**, and **him** as your headers: the other words will go in columns underneath (see below).
- Before starting the sort, tell the child that you are sorting by word family patterns -ill, -ick, and -im. It helps tremendously if your child has already been exposed to word family work of some sort.
- Read through the words together (*it is important that these words all be familiar to your child*). Discuss any words that your child doesn't know the meaning of, like *chill*, *thick*, *brim* or *grim*.
- Model sorting a few words from each category, until your child seems comfortable with looking for the patterns. If this is your first time doing a word sort with your child, model sorting all of them the first time.
- Scramble the words up and let her re-sort it again *with support*.

**Your sort should look like this when complete:**

<b>will</b>	<b>sick</b>	<b>him</b>
still	trick	brim
fill	brick	grim
hill	pick	trim
chill	thick	dim
spill	quick	swim

*For more word sorts, check out Words Their Way & their word sorting supplement books. I highly recommend them (designed for Pre-K through high school).*

Short I Sort: -ill, -ick, & -im families (with blends and digraphs)

**will**

**sick**

**him**

trick

brim

still

fill

grim

brick

trim

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swim

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