

# tiger



Tt

/t/

**Guessing Game** Tell students: *This is a word that starts with /t/.*

Then give one clue at a time, pausing after each clue until the word is guessed. Suggested clues:

*It is a big wild cat.*

*It lives in Asia.*

*It is orange, white, and black.*

*It has stripes.*

If students don't guess the word, say: *Here is a hint: It sounds like ti/ger. What is the word?*

**Sound to Letter** Ask: *What sound do you hear at the start of tiger? (/t/) What letter can we use to write the /t/ sound? (t)*

**Clapping Syllables** Say: *Let's clap the beats in tiger.* (👏👏)

**Rhyming** Say: *Let's make up a word that rhymes with tiger and starts with /f/. What's the word? (figer)*  
Give other initial sounds to make up nonsense words.



# tree



Tt

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**Guessing Game** Tell students: *This is a word that starts with /t/.*

Then give one clue at a time, pausing after each clue until the word is guessed. Suggested clues:

*It is something that grows.*

*It has leaves.*

*It has branches*

*It has a trunk.*

If students don't guess the word, say: *Here is a hint: It sounds like /t/ /r/ /ē/. What is the word?*

**Sound to Letter** Ask: *What sound do you hear at the start of tree? (/t/) What letter can we use to write the /t/ sound? (t)*

**Clapping Syllables** Say: *Let's clap the beats in tree.* (👏)

**Rhyming** Say: *Let's think of some words that rhyme with tree. (bee, free, he, key, knee, me)* Give initial sound clues if needed, such as: *It rhymes with tree and starts with /s/. (see)*

