Objective
The student will segment and blend onsets and rimes in words.

Materials
- Onset and rime picture cards (Activity Master PA.021.AM1a - PA.021.AM1c)

Activity
Students use onset clues to guess the picture card.
1. Place the cards face down in a stack on a flat surface.
2. Taking turns, one student selects and places three cards face up on the table.
3. Says the onset for one of the picture cards (e.g., “This word begins with /b/.”).
4. The first student to find the picture for that onset and say the rime (e.g., “/ed/”) gets that card. All students say the full name of the target picture (e.g., “bed”). The two remaining cards are placed at the bottom of the stack.
5. Continue until all cards are used.
6. Peer evaluation

Extensions and Adaptations
- Play by naming a matching rhyming word.
onset and rime picture cards: yarn, skunk, bed, ring, duck, lamp
onset and rime picture cards: kite, jam, map, pan, hop, tub
onset and rime picture cards: nut, game, fork, queen, wall, vase