

Sound hunter, sound hunter, hunt all around. What can you find with a **/sh/**, **/sh/** sound?

A shark and a ship on an ocean wave, and the shadow of fish in an ocean cave.



# Rhyme for /sh/

#### Sound hunt

Read the rhyme aloud. Ask students: Find the words that start with *IshI*. (shark, ship, shadow)

Find the word that ends with Ishl. (fish)

Find the word with *IshI* inside. (ocean)

Ask students to find other things in the environment with the /sh/ sound.

#### Rhyme hunt

Read the rhyme aloud and then say: Find the word that rhymes with wave. (cave)

What other words rhyme with wave?

(brave, gave, pave, save, shave)

### Syllable hunt

Say these words.

Have students repeat them and clap the syllables. shark 🖄 ocean 🖄 shadow 🖄 fish 🖄 cave 🖄

Read the rhyme one line at a time. Have students repeat each line and clap the syllables.

A shark and a ship 13 M on an ocean wave, Ċ, and the shadow of fish 1 12 in an ocean cave. <u>a</u> a <u>a</u> a

#### Word hunt

Pronounce each sound and ask students to guess the word. Guess what word I'm saying. /sh/ /ar/ /k/ — shark /**sh/ /i/ /p/** — ship /w/ /ā/ /v/ — wave /f/ /i/ /sh/ — fish /**k**/ /**ā**/ /**v**/ — cave

#### **Code hunt**

Tell students that the **/sh/** sound is usually written **sh** at the start and end of words, but it can be written in other ways, too. Write these spelling patterns on the board: *sh*, *ce*.

Read the rhyme aloud.

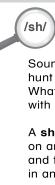
Have students find the words that have these patterns for the /sh/ sound. (See solution on the right.)

Have students practise writing each pattern and a word that goes with it. **sh** — shark, ship, shadow, fish

**ce** — ocean

#### Creating

Give each student a printable version of the rhyme. Read the rhyme together. Encourage students to find the spelling patterns for /sh/. Students can also illustrate the rhyme and make up their own verse with words that have the **/sh/** sound.







#### **Code hunt: solution**

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## The code for /sh/

This is the most common grapheme for the **/sh/** sound that beginning readers and writers will meet.

Other graphemes for /sh/ include: ce, ch, ssi, ti, ci, si, xi, sci, ss, s (as in ocean, chef, mission, station, special, tension, anxious, conscious, tissue, sure).

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