The Dolch words are the 220 most frequently found words in books that children read. The lists are in order of frequency. These lists are studied in first and second grade; children who learn these words have a good base for beginning reading. Many of these words cannot be sounded out because they do not follow decoding rules. These words must be learned as sight words .

| Preprimer <br> a | Primer all | First after | Second always | Third about |
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| and | am | again | around | better |
| away | are | an | because | bring |
| big | at | any | been | carry |
| blue | ate | as | before | clean |
| can | be | ask | best | cut |
| come | black | by | both | done |
| down | brown | could | buy | draw |
| find | but | every | call | drink |
| for | came | fly | cold | eight |
| funny | did | from | does | fall |
| go | do | give | don't | far |
| help | eat | going | fast | full |
| hers | four | had | first | got |
| I | get | has | five | grow |
| in | good | her | found | hold |
| is | has | him | gave | hot |
| it | he | how | goes | hurt |
| jump | into | just | green | if |
| little | like | know | its | keep |
| look | must | let | made | kind |
| make | new | live | many | laugh |
| me | no | may | off | light |
| my | now | of | or | long |
| not | on | old | pull | much |
| one | our | once | read | myself |
| play | out | open | right | never |
| red | please | over | sing | only |
| run | pretty | put | sit | own |
| said | ran | round | sleep | pick |
| see | ride | some | tell | seven |
| the | saw | stop | their | shall |
| three | say | take | these | show |
| to | she | thank | those | six |
| two | so | them | upon | small |
| up | soon | then | us | start |
| we | that | think | use | ten |
| yellow | there | walk | very | today |
| you | they | where | wash | together |
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|  | too |  | why | warm |
|  | under |  | wish |  |
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