WORD WALL CHANTS

Caribbean Spelling — hands on hips, and swivel on each letter. On the word, say, "Woo!"

Sing opera style

Box It / Kickbox It — Correspond right/left arm/leg with vowels or consonants

Frisbee — throw each letter as you would a frisbee

Yo-yo — bend your arms at the elbow and alternate your hands up and down as you say each letter.

Voices — change your voice for each repetition: loud, soft, whisper, squeak, growl, baby-talk, etc.

Groups — different groups cheer after each other (boys, then girls, then whole class)

Blast Off - start crouched at floor as you say each letter get a little higher, when jump into the air as you say the whole word I also use frog-jumps. They are similar to Blast-off. We start standing up. As we say each letter, we crouch down a little farther. Then, as we say the word, we "jump".

Hand Jive - just like on the playground, pair up and clap hands for consonants and lap clap for vowels

Back Tracer - sit in circle and trace the letters as you spell on a partners back

Mouse -squeaky voice with hands curled up by face

Robot -in robotic voice with arms moving back and forth ("Danger! Danger! Will Robinson" style)

Fly it like a bird -arms flapping up and down

Chicken - arms folded up to make wings and head moving forward

Nose - hold your nose and spell it

Cheer It (Give me an "h", etc.) Like a cheerleader.

Pat -- pat our heads for tall letters, tummies for short letters and knees for ones that go below the line

Beat it on our Desks

Snap and Clap -- We snap for the vowels and clap for the consonants.

Raise the Roof -- We just push up toward the ceiling, one push for each letter.

Ketchup -- Shake our hand like we’re trying to get ketchup out of a bottle.

Disco (Hand up for consonants, hand down for vowels) Pretend to be John Travolta.
Throw the Stars -- Throw one hand at a time toward the ceiling for each letter.

Be the Letter (Body Language) -- For "s" we slither down to the floor while saying "e-e-e-s-s-".

Mexican Hat Dance (alternate feet in front)

Flapping and Nodding -- Pretend you're a bird and flap your wings and nod your head for each letter.

Stomping -- Just stomp your feet for each letter.

Army -- march letters and salute on the word

Clapping Syllables -- Just clap for each syllable

Explosion (Volcano) (whisper, normal, loud) They love to do this. Pretty self-explanatory.

Marshmallow Clap - Almost clap but stop before your hand touch. Say each letter.

Hula -- hands on hips, swivel, hands in air to say word

Jumping Jacks -- One letter for each movement.

Toe Touches - touch your toes for each letter.

BATTER UP - We get into the batting position and swing on each letter as we say it

SLOW We hold the sound of the letter or a few seconds like sit...s.................i.....................t.............

Motorcycle - We just hang on to "handle bars" and pretend that we are doing wheelies..!

Dribble and Shoot -- Dribble the letters and shoot the word.

Cowboy -- straddle chair and lasso

Push-ups - or stomach crunches, bicep curls, etc.

Blowing Kisses -- kiss for each letter and 2 hands kiss (extend both arms out and up) for the word

Pass the Ball - sit in circle and pass the ball. Last person says word and chooses the next word.