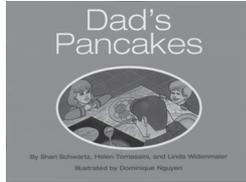


# DAD'S PANCAKES

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 Set 5 – 117 words

## Building Anticipation – Setting the Context

Discuss whether the children’s breakfast on weekends is different from their weekday breakfast. List what they have for breakfast on the weekend. Do you like pancakes? What is your favorite kind of pancake? Your favorite topping? Who is your favorite pancake maker?



Introduce the book and guide the children through a book-walk. Before they start reading, focus the children’s attention on strategies they can use when they come to an unknown word.

## Discussion – Book Talk

Have you ever awakened to a special breakfast? What was it like? What is your favorite Saturday morning breakfast? What do you like on top of your pancakes? What did Clara and Richard like on theirs? Does your Dad ever make a special meal for you?

## Creative Response – Independent Practice

Children can:

- form a group and make pancakes using the recipe on the reproducible master. Provide close supervision.
- write a how-to book describing the steps involved in making pancakes.
- write a story about their favorite breakfast.
- draw and label pictures of the utensils and equipment needed to make pancakes.
- create a balanced breakfast menu for their family.

## Read-Aloud Connection

*Pancakes, Pancakes* by Eric Carle. Simon & Schuster, 1998.

- Jack makes a pancake from scratch, starting with cutting and grinding wheat for flour.
- Perfect Pancakes If You Please* by William Wise. Dial Books, 1997.
- King Felix loves pancakes so much that he offers his daughter’s hand in marriage to the man who can make the perfect pancake.

Learning About Language - Focused Teaching		
High Frequency Words	Today, making, Are, school	Write a sentence that includes the word “school.”
Letters and Letter Clusters	Y — Yum y — you; v — very Th — Thank th — the	What sound does <i>y</i> make in these words? What is one of the sounds it makes when it plays the role of a vowel (in “my,” for example)?
Rhymes and Word Families	good, hood, wood, stood Thank, bank, tank, sank time, lime, dime, mime	Use movable letters to make new words using the rimes <i>ood</i> , <i>ank</i> , and <i>ime</i> .
Word Endings	er — butter ing — making	Brainstorm to create a list of words that end in <i>er</i> . Use movable letters to change “make” into “making.”
Compound Words	pancakes Today breakfast	Write the words “pan,” “cakes,” “break,” “fast,” “to,” and “day” on cards. Play with the cards to build the words “pancakes,” “breakfast,” and “today.”

# How to Make Pancakes

## Ingredients

- 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1-1/2 cups milk
- 1 egg, beaten
- 3 tablespoons cooking oil

## Method

1. Combine dry ingredients.
2. Combine wet ingredients in a separate bowl.
3. Add wet ingredients to dry ingredients and combine gently.
4. Heat a little oil in frying pan. Drop about two tablespoons of batter into the frying pan to make one small pancake. Fry for about one minute on each side. Fry several cakes at a time.
5. Serve with butter, jam, and maple syrup.