Roll and Sort

Players: 4 or more, plus a “roller”

You need: a small cube (die), masking tape, cards, paper, pens, list of Unit 12 Spelling Words

How to play: Cover each side of the cube with paper or masking tape. Write the following labels on each side: short vowels, long vowels, 3-letter clusters, wr/ch/kn, clown sound, lawn sound. Form two teams. Each team makes one set of cards for the Unit 12 Basic Words.

1. The roller rolls the dice and reads the label facing up. Teams race to find word cards that contain this sound or spelling pattern.
2. After one minute (or more), the roller calls, “Time!”
3. Teams earn 1 point for each word they found that fits the category.

Note: Many words can be sorted into more than one category. For example, the word scratch contains a three-letter cluster (scr), a short vowel sound (ə), and an unexpected consonant pattern (ch).