Umbrella Vowels

One day the vowels a, e, i, o, and u, went for a walk. Suddenly, it started to rain. The letter u always carried his umbrella, since it starts with his /u/ sound, so he did not get wet. The other vowels asked if they could get under the umbrella, too. “You may get under my umbrella,” said the letter u, “If you will promise to say my /u/ sound in words.” The other vowels were happy with their own sounds, /a/, /e/, /i/, and /o/, and didn’t want to give them up. But soon it began to rain even harder. “We want to keep our own sounds, but please, let us get under your umbrella,” said a, e, i, and o to the letter u. So the letter u said, “If you will say my sound in some words, then you can get under my umbrella.” So a, e, i, and o got under the umbrella, and that is why, to this very day, in some words they say the /u/ sound, instead of their regular sound.

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This booklet teaches short a words ending with _as, _ab, _ax, _ag, _ad, and _ass.

Teach the sight words as, has, and was.
Review sight words a and A. Review the umbrella story.

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bass  pass

lass  gas

an  as
has  was

an  as
has  was
Dan has a cat.

Pam has a pan.

Dan has a cat.

Pam has a pan.
Dad had a hat.

Dad has an ax.

Dad had a hat.

Dad has an ax.

Sam has a cap.

Sam has a gap.

Sam has a cap.

Sam has a gap.
A man has a van.

Pam has a nap.

A man has a van.

Pam has a nap.
lab  dab
nab

cab  tab

lab  dab
nab

cab  tab

_lad
ad
bad
pad
had
dad

_lad
ad
bad
pad
had
dad
Jan was at a lab.

Jan was at a lab.
Dan can dab.

Dan can dab.
A bag has a tag.

A bag has a tag.
Sam has a sax.
Pam was at a dam.

Pam was at a dam.