This was the perfect grant for my classroom, and for all of my little learners! We meet in small groups every day for reading groups. My students are at a very important developing stage in phonics. They are learning words and how to phonetically spell them. This is a building block for becoming strong readers. I purchased magnetic letters and their trays to help build words on. These are great for the classroom because each set of letters coordinate with the color tray. This makes it super easy to stay organized with 20 students. With this setup, we are able to create words in small groups and even the whole class.

Reading growth is always amazing to see. At the end of the year, our goal is for students to be able to phonetically read and write words. This tool in the classroom will help achieve that goal. We have assessed these skills throughout the year on our report cards and through I Ready Diagnostics. I am eager to see their growth for our end of the year assessment.

I am thankful for this grant and was excited to reading materials to grow capable readers. Thank you for supporting your students, teachers, schools, and communities!

