

S – Quiet, Small Air Sound

“What happens with our mouths when we make this sound? ‘Sssss.’ Yes, we look like we’re smiling. Is any air coming out? See if there’s a lot of air gushing out, or just a small stream of air coming out. It is small air. Let’s take two fingers and pretend to pull a small string of air out of our mouths when we make that sound. (Use thumb and finger to pull out air.) Are our voices on or off when we make this sound? Off. This is our quiet, small air sound. (Show picture.) Do you know what sound this quiet, skinny snake makes? She quietly makes the small air sound, ‘Sssss.’ See the small air coming out of that smiling mouth? We smile at the snake so she doesn’t think we’re scared. Make sure you keep your tongue inside your mouth. What’s the quiet small air sound that the snake makes? ‘Sssss.’”

Hand cue: Pretend to be pulling a small string of air out of your smiling mouth with your index finger and thumb.