Three-sound Consonant Clusters Word-Building Practice

Take turns pronouncing all the words on one line below, making sure you keep the same number of syllables when you pronounce each version. (All but two have just one syllable).

Three-sound initial consonant clusters

ray/ pray/ spray
rap/ trap/ strap
rip/ trip/ strip
'roo/ crew/ screw
reed/ creed/ screed
rang/ prang/ sprang
rate/ trait/ straight
roll/ troll/ stroll
wash/ quash/ squash

Three-sound final consonant clusters

gif/ gift/ gifts
sick/ six/ sixth
tech/ Tex/ text
whirl/ world/ worlds
fill/ film/ filmed
fall/ fault/ faults
kill/ kiin/ kilns
hole/ hold/ holds
cam/ camp/ camps
temp/ tempt/ tempts
hundred/ hundredth/ hundredths

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thousand/ thousandth/ thousandths
pan/ pant/ pants
lap/ lapse/ lapsed

Do the same thing with the words below, this time making the three (real English) words yourselves but cutting them down twice, cutting them down just once, then pronouncing the word given, e.g. “ream”, “cream” and “scream”.

**Initial consonant clusters**

scream
scrape
script
spree
strain
stray
stripe

**Final consonant clusters**

milked
elms
helped
next
ends
ants
amps