Word Shrinking

- Take apart a word letter by letter, finding a new word each time you subtract a letter, as in this poem What nonsense!

What nonsense!
The Word Wizard said, "Think of a word."
What a lot of nonsense!
I thought: Drivel.
"To find what urges you to act," said the Wizard,
"Subtract the last letter."
Drive.
"Now, remove the second letter."
Go on. Take the plunge!"
Dive.
"To reveal a contraction,
Cross out the first letter."
I've.
"Take away the middle letter
And you'll see that is – an abbreviation."
i.e.
"Finally, lose the last letter
And find yourself."
I.

Take apart these words:

Sandy
Later
Sprite

Think of a word yourself and try to take it apart letter by letter

Not sure if its a word?

Check your answer using an Oxford Children's Dictionary.

Answers:

Sandy – sand, and, an, a.
Later – late, ate, at, a.
Sprite – spite, spit, pit, it, I.