

Phonics



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What is Phonics?



Phonics involves matching the sounds of spoken English with individual letters or groups of letters.

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Phonics is all about sounds!

In the English language there are 44 sounds which are known as **phonemes**.

It's about segmenting (**stretching the word**)
and blending (**pushing it back together**)
and applying these skills to support early
reading.

Definitions



LETTER:

26 in the alphabet, all with their own name e.g. A-Z.

PHONEME:

Smallest unit of sound e.g. c, d, b,

DIGRAPH:

2 letters which make 1 sound e.g. ch, sh, ee, ai

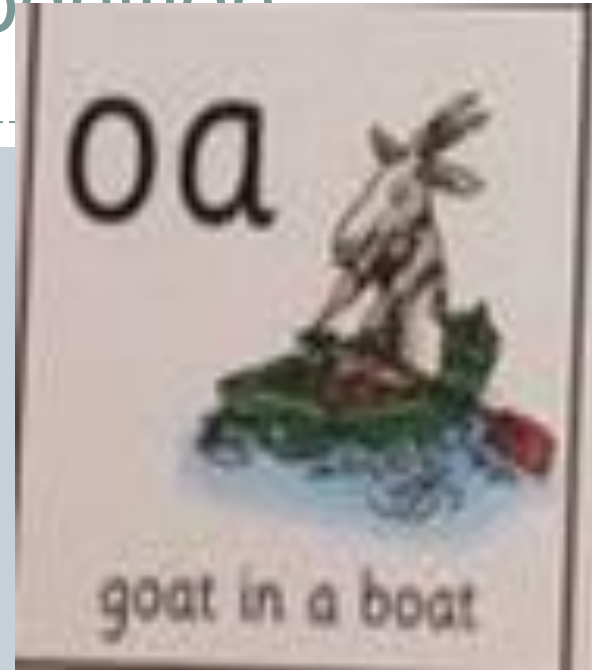
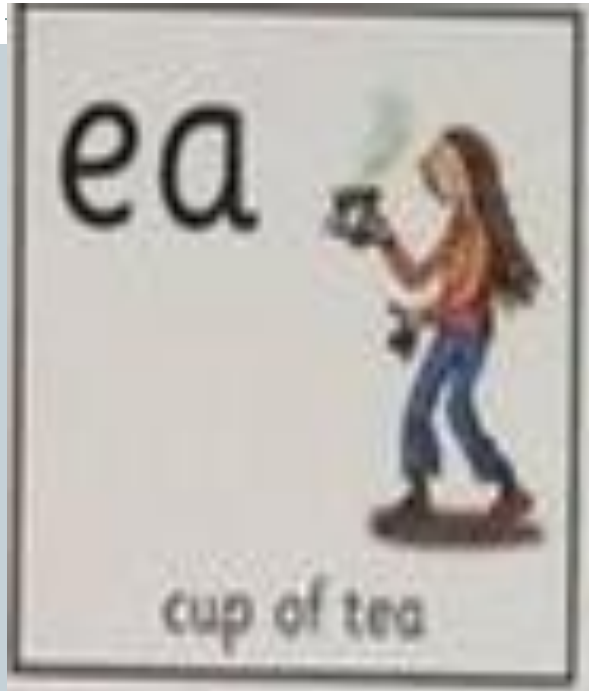
TRIGRAPH:

3 letters which make 1 sound e.g. ear, air, igh

GRAPHEME:

The letters or group of letters used to represent a sound.

Phoneme Recognition

































At Woodside we use the Read Write Inc programme for phonics. The cards displayed are what your children will use during the phonics session.

Set 1 Sounds



Speed Sounds Set 1




















m 	a 	s 	d 	t 
i 	n 	p 	g 	o 
c 	k 	u 	b 	f 
e 	l 	h 	sh 	r 
j 	v 	y 	w 	th 
z 	ch 	qu 	x 	ng nk 

Set 2 and 3 sounds

Speed Sounds Set 2

ay  may I play?	ee  what can you see?	igh  fly high	ow  blow the snow	oo  poo at the zoo
oo  look at a book	ar  start the car	or  shut the door	air  that's not fair	ir  whirl and twirl

Speed Sounds Set 3

ea  cup of tea	oi  spoil the boy	ou  shout it out	oy  toy for a boy	
ā-e  make a cake	ī-e  nice smile	ō-e  phone home	ū-e  huge brute	aw  yawn at dawn
are  care and share	ur  nurse with a purse	er  a better letter	ow  brown cow	ai  snail in the rain
oa  goat in a boat	ew  chew the stew	ire  fire, fire!	ear  hear with your ear	ure  sure it's pure

The importance of pronunciation



When teaching children sounds, it is really important that we pronounce correctly. This means not adding an 'er' or 'uh' sound at the end of the phoneme.

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Order of Books



Children will hopefully follow the order listed below. The expectation is that all children will leave Year One as confident speedy readers, ready to take on the challenges of Year Two. However, some children may need extra support and your teacher will talk to you about this.

Books	Year Group Expectations
Red Ditty 1-10	Reception
Green 1-10	Reception
Purple 1-10	Reception
Pink 1-10	Reception/Year One
Orange 1-12	Year One
Yellow 1-10	Year One
Blue 1-10	Year One
Grey 1-13	Year One

What comes next?



Once children have finished the phonics programme they then begin to focus on the following:

- Alternative spellings for the same phoneme
- Spelling rules i.e. Suffixes, tenses, contractions

Phonics Screening Check



All Year 1 children in the country are tested on their phonetic awareness at the end of Year 1 (June 2022).

The screening check is made up of 40 words – real words and made up words ‘alien words’.

The pass mark over the recent years has been 32/40

Children will have another opportunity to be re-tested in Year 2 if they do not pass.

Phonics Screening Check



The children will sit the screening test individually during a week in June with a familiar adult. Normally, this is their class teacher or a teacher from their year group.

The children have sat many practise tests over the year so, the format and procedure is not new for them.

At the end of the year, parents will receive a 'phonics report' outlining information around the screening check and the score the child received.

Y1 Phonics Screening Example

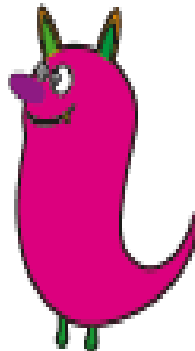


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How can I best support my child with phonics & reading?



- ❑ Encourage your child to identify the phonemes in an unknown word.
- ❑ Allow time for your child to segment & blend an unknown word rather than just telling them.
- ❑ Consider other strategies – phonics isn't the only way.
- ❑ Tricky words cannot be decoded phonetically - hence why they are tricky!

Example of Tricky Words



Tricky Words

the
to
I
no
go
into

he all
she are
we my
me her
be
was
you
they

said there
have little
like one
so when
do out
some what
come
were

oh
there
people
Mr
Mrs
looked
called
asked
could

Useful Websites



- ☐ Woodside Primary Academy Website – Phonics videos
- ☐ Phonicsplay
- ☐ Mr Thorne does phonics (youtube)

