





Phonics Screening Check

What is phonics?

The children have been learning phonics since they started in Reception.

Throughout this time they have learnt sounds in a set order.

They have also learnt the skills of blending.

Sounds

There are 44 sounds (phonemes) to learn but

there are over 150 graphemes (ways in

which to write each sound). This makes

it a very complex code.

2 or 3 letters that make a sound are known as **special friends**.

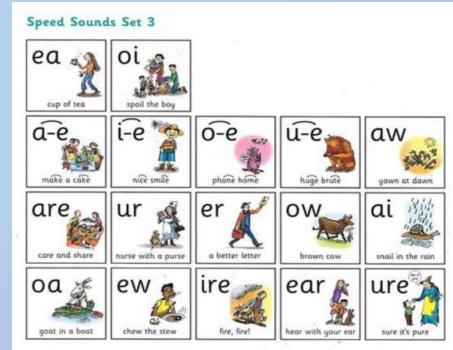
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Read Write Inc.

There are 3 sets of sounds.

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Blending



Children are taught the sounds as pure sounds so that they are able to blend accurately. When children say the sounds out loud we call this Fredding. This is because Fred the frog can only talk in sounds so the children have to help him blend.

Blending



m – a – t	(3 sounds)
ch – o – p	(3 sounds)
l — igh — t	(3 sounds)
c — r — ea - m	(4 sounds)
s – t – a – m – p	(5 sounds)

Red Words

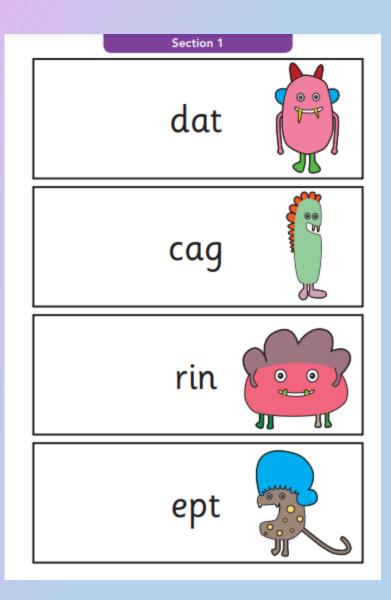
These words are the words that are not decodable using phonics, e.g. the you was come

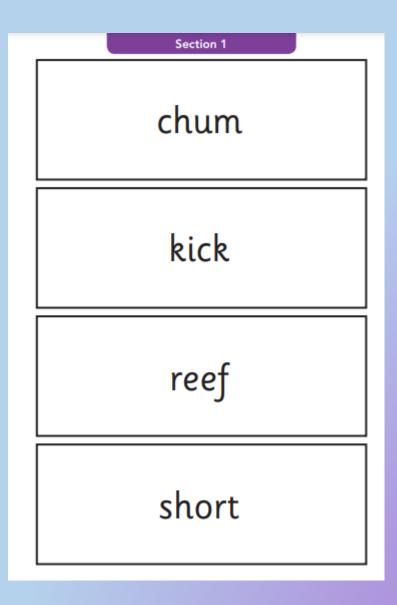
These will **not** be tested in the screening check

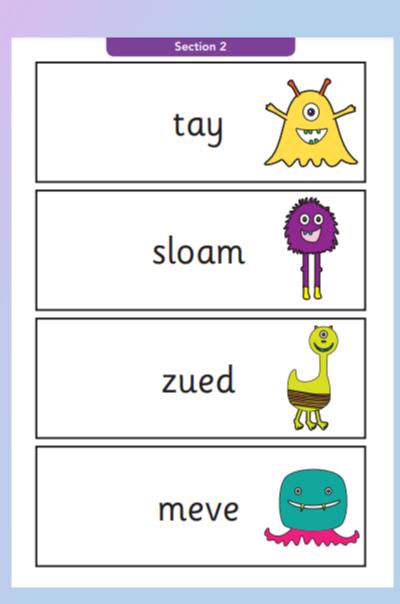
What is the Screening Check?

The Phonics Screening Check is a national test that is administered to children in Year 1. The test has been designed to confirm whether individual children have learnt sufficient skills in phonic decoding and blending for their age.

The test is administered on a one-to-one basis and will be administered by either Mrs Waters or Miss Haycocks. The children will have 40 words to read. Half of these will be real words and half will be nonsense words. The children read one word at a time and can work through at their own pace. It usually takes approx. 10 - 15 minutes per child.







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When will the screening take place?

The tests will be administered throughout the week of 10th June 2024. It may be on any day during that week so please ensure your child has good attendance at this time.

Reporting to Parents

In the end of year report you will be given your child's score out of 40. In previous years the pass mark has been 32 out of 40.

If your child does not reach the expected standard they will continue to work on phonics in Year 2 and re-take the screening check in Year 2.

How can you support your child?

- Continue to read daily with your child.
- Help your child with sounds that they are unsure of.
- Help them to spot special friends. Take extra care with split sounds.
- Play games with phonics.
- Practise wordboxes.
- Watch the portal videos!

Activities to try today

- iPads phonics play
- iPads <u>https://epicphonics.com/games/play/</u>
- free-2018-phonics-screening-check-practice
- Trash and treasure
- Practise reading green words
- Practise reading nonsense words
- Mosaic colouring
- Read and roll



Thank you!