

Programme designed by Speech Therapists, Early Child Development experts and phonic teachers.

## Articulation

## aeiou ai ee igh oa 0000 ar or ur ow oi er ear air ure

We use 'Pure Sounds'.

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flmnrs sh th th $\vee \mathrm{z}$ j $\times$ ng
cptchh
bgdwyqu

## Phoneme: the smallest unit of sound in a word.



English has about 44 phonemes ( 20 vowel uriu c 4 currsuriurit phonemes)

Grapheme: a letter or group of letters that represent a single phoneme

d-O-g

s-n-ai-l

## Digraphs and Trigraphs



Trigraphs: Three letters making one phoneme

| ear | air | ure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| dear | fair | sure |
| tch | dge | igh |
| watch | hedge | sigh |

## Blending

Oral blending: hearing the individual sounds (phonemes) and merging them together to hear and say a word.

Blending to read words: decoding by recognising the graphemes and their matching phonemes. Then merging (synthesising) the phonemes together to read through the word.

To read unfamiliar words - a child must recognise (sound out) each grapheme, not each letter, then blend the phonemes together to make a word eg see the word 'cat' and blend through eg sound $c-a-\dagger$

## Sound Buttons


dog

sheep

## Segmenting

Oral segmenting: hearing a word and then hearing and separating it into its individual phonemes. Count the phonemes in a word

Segmenting to write words: encoding by hearing the individual phonemes in a word and writing the corresponding graphemes.
e.g. hearing the word dog and identifying the 3
individual sounds within the spoken word as $d-0-9$
and writing the word

Phoneme Frames



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## Sound-train

Station 2


| Platform 1 (phase 1) | Phonological awareness <br> Tuning into sounds <br> syllables <br> Introduce the characters Oral blending and Segmenting |  | Can use these first few weeks to introduce the characters if the school is completely new to the programme |
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| Platform 2 (phase 2) | Introduce Graphemes systematically Common exception words - I the no go to into Same order as Letters and Sounds | satpinmdgock ckeurhbffflll ss | Simple phonic code Concept 1 |
| Platform 3 <br> (phase 3) | Introduce more graphemes digraphs and trigraphs <br> More common exception words Same order as Letters and Sounds | $j v w x y z z z q u c h$ sh th ng ai ee igh oo 0000 ar or ur ow oi ear air ure er | Simple Phonic code Concept 2 |
| Platform 4 <br> (Phase 4) | Longer words with adjacent consonants / syllables More common exception words |  |  |
| Platform 5 <br> (Phase 5) | Alternative graphemes Alternative pronunciations More common exception words Systematic progression Inclusion of Year 1 National Curriculum requirements | E. $g$ introduce the alternatives for 'ai' Alternative pronunciations throughout the year as they occur | Complex phonic Code Concept 3 and Concept 4 |

## Let's Meet The Characters




Alan alpaca says " $a$ ".


Stretch arm in the air, bend your wrist and move your hand left and right.

Tick tock clock says "t".


Sit on floor hands on floor gently rock, or stand with hands by side and gently rock side to side.


## Oral Blending With the Characters


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## Oral Segmenting With the Characters



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Lower Case Letter Formation


## Handwriting Help From The Sound Train Characters.

The Sound Train Characters for the letters of the alphabet can be used to help children with their letter formation. Use the character pictures and their advice on the starting point and letter direction to help children follow the correct formation pattern. The characters outline how to print the letters.


Around Alan's face, back up to his ear and down to his neck.


Down to Jim's foot and curl to the bee. Dot the drop.
 tummy to his tail.


From the sky to the floor up and round Beena Ball.


From Katy's bow down to the floor up around
her whiskers and out to her tail.


Start at Tick Tock's 12, Start at Tick Tock's 12 ,
down to 6 and fick to 5 . Now across from 9 to 3 .


Stroke from Katy's ear and curl right under her chin.


All the way down Laila's stick and give a little flick.


Curl under Usher's handle and back down to the
ground. ground.


Round Dre's drum up to the sky then down again.


To make Murray go down, up over, and down.



Down and up Normans nose over and down again.


From Oscar's ear all around his face all around his face.



Around Gus's face, down to his hooves and curl to the bee.
 Round Queenie's
crown down to the floor and tick back up.

Down the side of Robbie back up and over his head.
Z

Zig zag down Zoe

Capital Letter Formation


## 100\% Decodable Books



