

Read Write Inc. Phonics

For children who are due to start Reception class in September.

Many of you may already be following the Read Write Inc. link on the website to phonics. For information below is a table for the first set of sounds that your child will learn in Reception class. Remember please do not use letter names at this stage, just the sound. For further help on saying the sound can be found on YouTube.

The 'Rhyme' column is what children say as they write the sound. It is good to familiarise your child with the rhyme also.

Set 1	
Sound	Rhyme
m	Down Maisie then over the two mountains. Maisie, mountain, mountain.
a	Round the apple, down the leaf.
s	Slide around the snake
d	Round the dinosaur's back, up his neck and down to his feet.
t	Down the tower, across the tower,
i	Down the insects body, dot for the head.
n	Down Nobby and over the net.
p	Down the plait, up and over the pirates face.
g	Round the girls face, down her hair and give her a curl
o	All around the orange
c	Curl around the caterpillar
k	Down the kangaroos body, tail and leg
u	Down and under the umbrella, up to the top and down to the puddle
b	Down the laces, over the toe and touch the heel
f	Down the stem and draw the leaves
e	Slice into the egg, go over the top, then under the egg
l	Down the long leg
h	Down the horse's head to the hooves and over his back
sh	Slither down the snake, then down the horse's head to the hooves and over his back
r	Down the robot's back, then up and curl
j	Down his body, curl and dot
v	Down a wing, up a wing
y	Down a horn, up a horn and under the yak's head.

w	Down, up, down, up the worm.
th	Down the tower, across the tower, then down the horse's head to the hooves and over his back
z	Zig-zag-zig, down the zip.
ch	Curl around the caterpillar, , then down the horse's head to the hooves and over his back
qu	Round the queen's head, up to her crown, down her hair and curl
x	Cross down the arm and leg and cross the other way
ng	A thing on a string
nk	I think I stink



As your child becomes more confident and familiar with the sounds, you can sound out words. Early words that children sound out are called CVC words (consonant, vowel, consonant words). Examples could be d-a-d, c-a-t, m-a-d, n-e-t

The key to learning phonics is keeping these types of activity fun and short, no more than 5 or 10 minutes max. If your child would rather do something else please do not panic, try another day.