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one grapheme can represent multiple sounds:
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The Phases

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PHASE 1	Talk About it Listen carefully Enunciate clearly
PHASE 2	Oral blending Organisation Small groups
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PHASE 3	Digraphs CVC-phonetically plausible attempt at any written word
PHASE 4	No new learning Apply Longer words Consonant clusters
PHASE 5	Throughout Year 1 Broaden knowledge Long vowel phonemes represented in more than one way
PHASE 6	Apply in reading and writing Draw upon prior learning
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Phonics Quiz Answers

Phoneme	The smallest single identifiable sound in a word.								
Grapheme	A letter or group of letters representing one sound (a phoneme) eg s, c, h, sh, ch, igh Hearing a series of spoken sounds and merging them together to								
Oral Blending	Hearing a series of spoken sounds and merging them together to make a spoken word. Eg Teacher calls out b-u-s and the children say 'bus'								
Blending	Recognising the letters sounds in a written word (eg c-u-p) and merging them in the order in which they are written to pronounce the word 'cup'								
Syllable	A single unit of written or spoken word, an unbroken sound used to make up words.								
Segmenting	Identifying the individual sounds in a spoken word (eg h-i-m) and writing down or manipulating letters for each sound to form the word 'him'.								
GPC	Grapheme-phoneme correspondence. The relationship between sounds and the letters which represent those sounds.								
Non-word reading	Nonsense words made up of the spellings (graphemes)the children have been taught in phonics (eg bip, steg, shromp).								
Digraph	Two letters making one sound (phoneme). We cannot separate them and we do not hear them individually (-ck, -ss, sh, th)								
Vowel Digraph	Two letters (one of which is a vowel) making one vowel sound (ai, ee, ow, ae, ue)								
Split Vowel Digraph	Two letters making the same sound even though they are forced apart (a-e as in tale, u-e as in flute)								
Trigraph	Three letters making one phoneme (igh, air, ure)								
Consonant Clusters	Two (or three) letters making two (or three) sounds. You hear each sound separately and there is a letter to represent each sound (scr-, bl-, -mp)								
Phoneme Frame	A way of identifying the GPCs in a word by writing each phoneme in a separate box.								
Sound Button	A way of identifying the GPCs in a word by putting dots and lines under the letters.								
Tricky Words	A word which either contains letters (or letter combinations) that children have not yet been taught (and will become fully decodable for them later on) or contains an irregular part that does not follow phonic rules (such as 'here', 'does', 'one').								
Mnemonics	A method of remembering how to spell tricky words. /said/ - Sally Anne Is Dancing /because/ - Big Elephants Can't Always Use Small Exits								

Useful Websites

We have compiled a list of useful websites for you to visit at home if you wish.

- www.phonicsplay.co.uk
- www.mrthorne.com
- www.roythezebra.com
- www.iboard.co.uk
- <u>www.letters-and-sounds.com</u>
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/phonics/play/

Recommended Phonics Apps

- Jolly Phonics
- Phonics Play
- Phonics Superhero
- Forest Phonics
- Hairy Letters
- I'm Ready for Phonics
- Pocket Phonics

Phoneme frames





