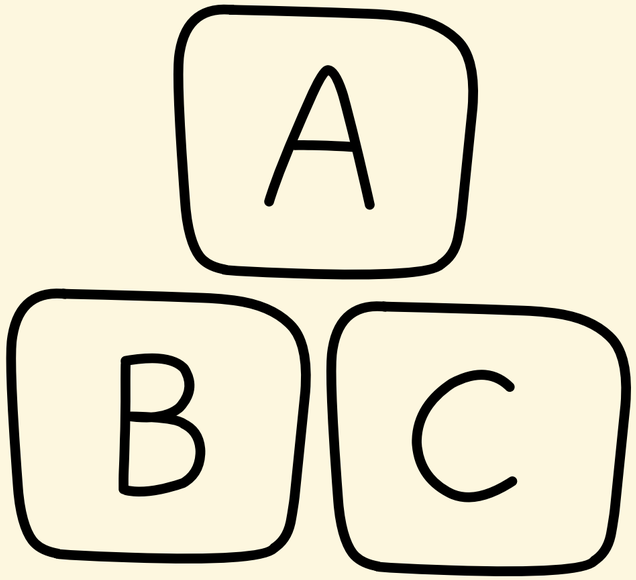
Phonics Screening Check 2026





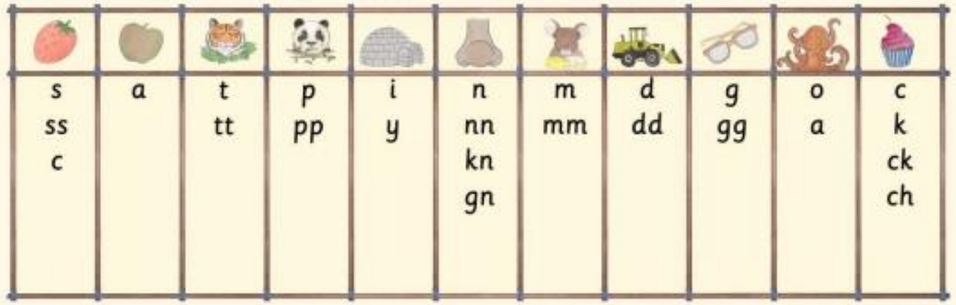
Phonics

- All children are taught phonics daily using Super Sonic Phonic Friends.
- Children who need extra support in phonics are taught 2x per day.
- Children are read with daily or weekly at school with an adult.
- Children are assessed using Super Sonic Phonic Friends standards each half term.

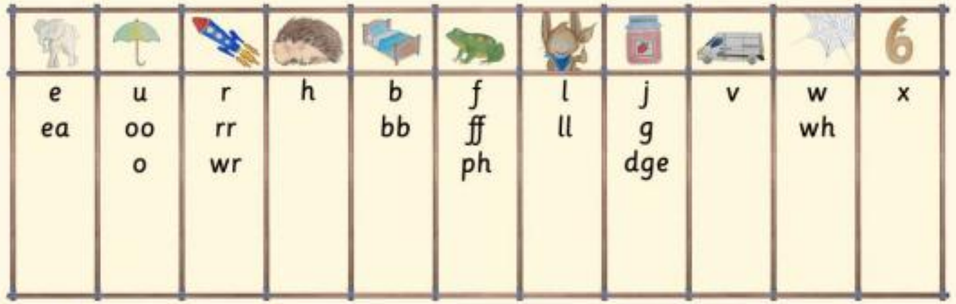
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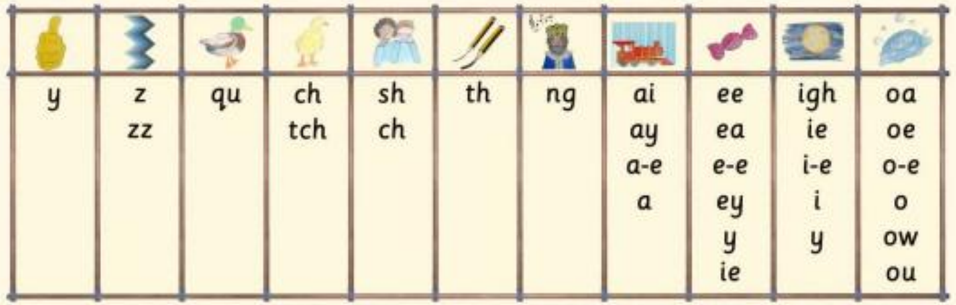
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Phonic Friends

The Screening Test

- The check consists of 40 words, divided into 2 sections. Some of them are real words and some are pseudo-words (nonsense words).
- The check will be completed 1-1 with the class teacher during school time, it will take approx. 6 mins.
- The check will take place on the WB 8th June; please ensure children are in school for this week.
- If children don’t pass, they get another chance in Y2.

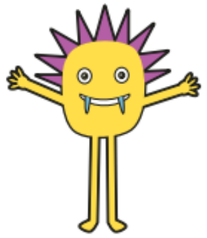
What Is the Purpose of the Phonics Screening Check?

- ‘The purpose of the phonics screening check will be to confirm that all children have learned phonic decoding to an age-appropriate standard. Children who have not reached this level will receive extra support to ensure they can improve their decoding skills, and will then have the opportunity to retake the phonics screening check.’

- The phonics screening check is designed to confirm that pupils can decode to an age-appropriate level but also to help educators identify which pupils need more support. Early reading is vital. If children cannot decode and access texts, then accessing the rest of the curriculum will be more difficult.

Examples of alien words

Section 1

dup 

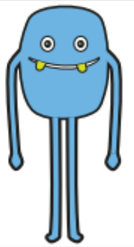
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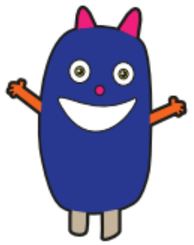
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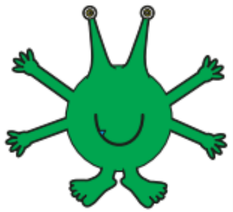
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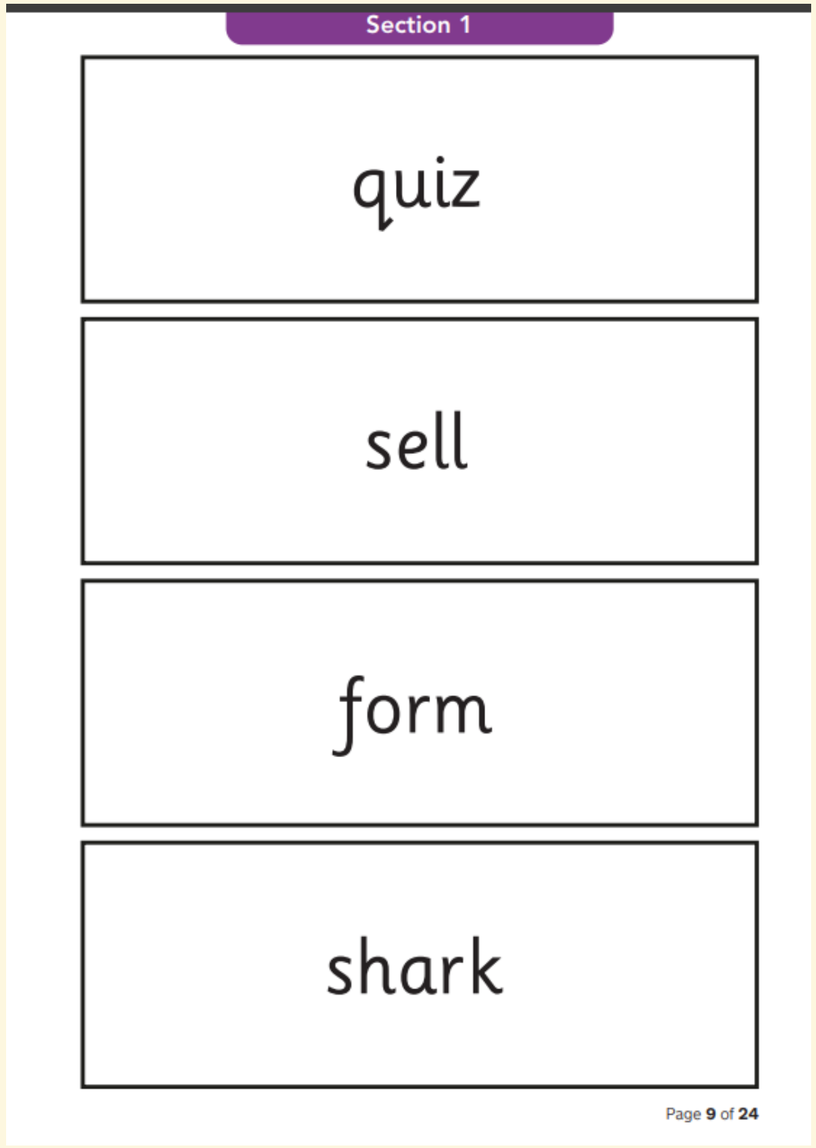
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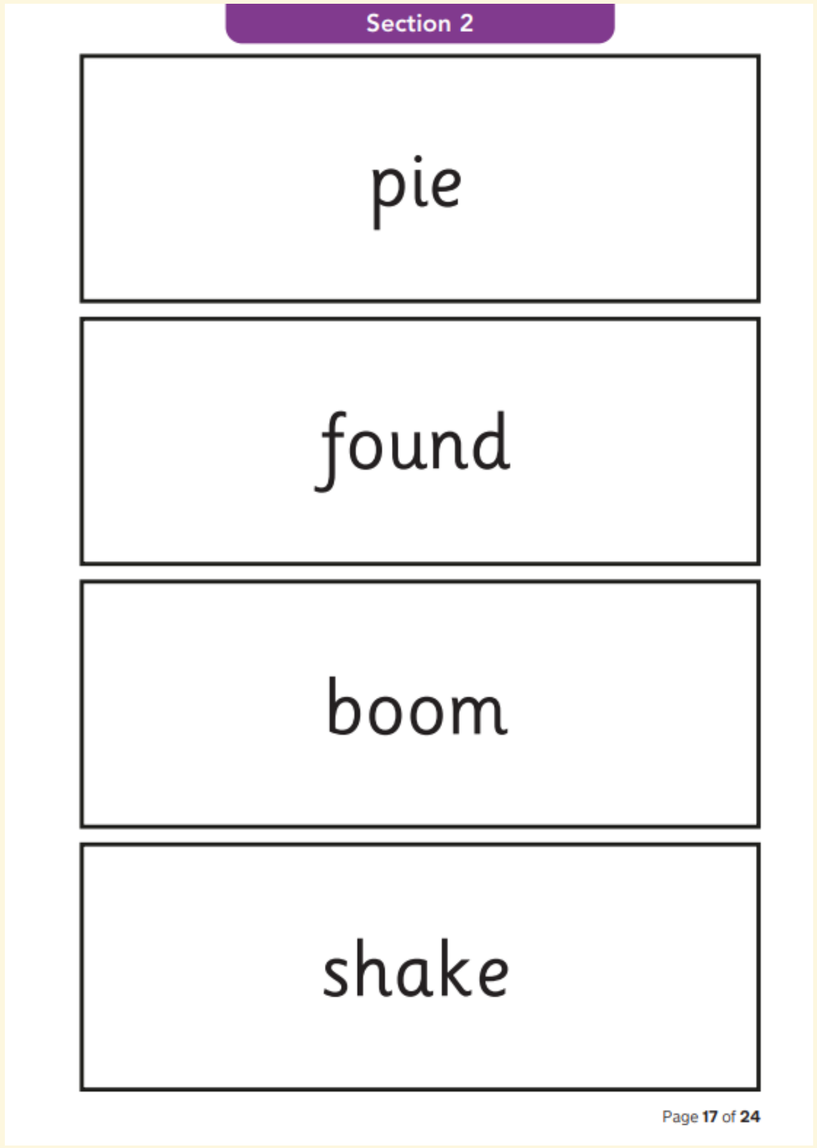
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Pseudo-word	Acceptable pronunciation	Phonemic representation
dup	This item uses the 'd' from 'dig' and rhymes with 'cup'.	/dʌp/ or /dʊp/
hib	This item uses the 'h' from 'hill' and rhymes with 'bib'.	/hɪb/
gox	This item uses the 'g' from 'gap' and rhymes with 'box'.	/gɒks/
ags	This item uses the 'a' from 'at' and rhymes with 'bags'.	/ægz/ or /ægs/
yech	This item uses the 'ye' from 'yell' with the 'ch' in 'check' or 'school'.	/jɛtʃ/ or /jɛk/
quog	This item uses the 'qu' from 'quiz' and rhymes with 'smog'.	/kwɒg/
loip	This item combines the 'l' from 'leap' with the 'oi' from 'boil' and the 'p' from 'loop'.	/lɔɪp/
chuss	This item uses the 'ch' from 'chick' and rhymes with 'fuss'.	/tʃʌs/ or /tʃʊs/
clen	This item uses the 'cl' from 'clap' and rhymes with 'then'.	/klɛn/
stizz	This item uses the 'st' from 'stick' and rhymes with 'whizz'.	/stɪz/
pult	This item combines the 'p' from 'park' with the 'u' from 'gulp' and the 'lt' from 'melt'.	/pʌlt/ or /pʊlt/
heeft	This item combines the 'h' from 'hair' with the 'ee' from 'keep' and the 'ft' from 'swift'.	/hiːft/

Example of real words





What can you do to support your child?

- daily reading
- supporting with the learning leaflets on dojo or that the children have brought home (please drop a message if you would like these printing).
- practice alien and real words at home
- using EdShed
- ask for help if there is anything you need!

Results

As this is a statutory check, you will receive a letter attached to your child’s report to let you know if they passed.

https://monsterphonics.com/the-phonics-screening-check/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N8wsIajrsZE