

Phonics Policy

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At Raglan Primary School we are committed to the delivery of excellence in the teaching of Phonics. We give children the best possible start on their reading and writing journey by teaching them phonological skills and knowledge to read and spell words independently.

Children will use phonics as their primary strategy to read and spell words until it is embedded and automatic for them. We aim to develop each child so that they are able to read with confidence and fluency by the end of Key Stage 1 as well as develop a lifelong love of reading.

Phonics input starts in the Nursery with phase 1 activities to develop the essential prerequisite listening skills. In Reception and Key Stage 1, consistent practice, progression, pace and continuity in the teaching and learning of phonics is ensured by following the Department for Education (DfE) validated phonics scheme: Unlocking Letters and Sounds (ULS).

AIMS

Children should:

- Learn the skills of blending and segmenting as a first priority as they are introduced to the grapheme-phoneme correspondences for reading and spelling. This ensures that from the outset children are able to read and spell simple words with the grapheme-phoneme correspondences they know.
- Use phonics as their first strategy to decode unknown words until a degree of fluency and automaticity is reached.
- Learn to read and spell common exception words which cannot be fully sounded out.
- Apply their phonic knowledge in the context of reading and spelling in the wider curriculum and understand how and when to do this.

CURRICULUM

ULS ensures that phonics is being taught at an appropriate level and pace for children in Reception until the end of the Autumn Term in Year 2, when they will have discrete spelling lessons following National Curriculum requirements.

The following table summarises the expected pace and progression.

Pre-school

Phase 1

| Reception | Reception | Reception | Reception | Reception | Reception | |
|--|---------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Term 1 | Term 2 | Term 3 | Term 4 | Term 5 | Term 6 | |
| Phase 2 | Phase 3 | Continue Phase 3 & Phase 3 Mastery | Continue Phase 3 Mastery | Phase 4 | Phase 4 Mastery plus NC requirements | |
| Year 1 | Year 1 | Year 1 | Year 1 | Year 1 | Year 1 | |
| Term 1 | Term 2 | Term 3 | Term 4 | Term 5 | Term 6 | |
| Phase 4 Revision plus NC requirements | Phase 5a | Phase 5a Mastery | Phase 5b | Phase 5c | Continue Phase 5c | |
| Year 2 | Year 2 | Year 2 | Year 2 | Year 2 | Year 2 | |
| Term 1 | Term 2 | Term 3 | Term 4 | Term 5 | Term 6 | |
| Phase 5a and 5b Mastery | Phase 5c Mastery | | d 5c Mastery elling lessons | Continue teaching discrete Year 2 spelling lessons. Provide regular intervention and robust assessment for children who need support to master phonics skills. | | |

In Nursery, phase 1 activities are used to develop core listening skills and teach oral blending and segmenting. Phase 1 is taught in Nursery but it is <u>ongoing</u> throughout the phases.

Phase 2 phonics teaching begins in the first few weeks of term 1 in Reception and children make rapid progress in their reading journey.

Children begin to learn the main sounds (phonemes) heard in the English Language and how they can be represented by letters (graphemes). They are taught an action for each phoneme in Phase 2 and 3 and the corresponding image to support with remembering the sounds. They are also taught how to write the grapheme correcting using the ULS handwriting 'patters'.

The children are taught to recognise grapheme-phoneme correspondences through the use of sound buttons and that phonemes are blended in order from left to right, 'all through the word' for reading real words. They are also taught how words are segmented into phonemes for spelling by 'stretching' the word and they use phoneme fingers to support with writing each phoneme in the word. These skills are taught throughout each phonic phase so that as children meet more complex words or grapheme-phoneme correspondences, they are able to tackle them with confidence.

They also learn common exception words (CEWs) that do not conform completely to grapheme-phoneme correspondence rules (see appendix A for the phonics glossary). Children are specifically taught the 'tricky' part of the word, the phonics clues and strategies to remember how to read and write the word. They are taught to apply their knowledge of these words in reading and writing.

Children leave Reception being able to apply the GPCs and CEWs taught within phase 2, 3 and 4. They use these to read and write simple words, captions and sentences.

In Year 1 through Phase 5a, b and c, they learn alternative spellings and pronunciations for the graphemes and additional Common Exception Words. By the end of Year 1 children will have mastered using phonics to decode and blend when reading and segment when spelling.

In Year 2, phonics continues to be revisited to ensure mastery of the phonetic code and any child who does not meet age related expectations will continue to receive support to close identified gaps.

More details on the expected ULS progression (appendix B), sound mats showing grapheme-phoneme correspondences (appendix C), adapted Key Stage 1 spelling rules based on the National Curriculum Spelling Appendix (appendix D) and 'best bets' for spellings (appendix E), ULS Actions, Images and Handwriting (appendix G) are at the end of this policy.

Children in the Additionally Resourced Language Provision

The children in the ARP follow the same progression although at a pace that meets their needs. Children have 3 phonics lessons a week along with other activities throughout the day to target phase 1 gaps.

Key Stage 2 Children

Phonics teaching continues through interventions or split spelling teaching for those children that have gaps in their phonics knowledge and skills. Intervention groups and spelling teaching targets the gaps in their knowledge and skills. For a very small minority of children for whom phonics has not worked, other inventions based on precision learning are used.

TEACHING

Phonics lessons start in the Nursery. Phase 1 activities develop listening skills and the ability to discriminate between sounds including environmental sounds, instrumental sounds, body sounds, rhythm and rhyme, alliteration, voice sounds and finally oral blending and segmenting. These activities also form part of focus activities and the continuous provision.

In Reception and Key Stage 1, a discrete daily session of approximately 25 minutes is given to the teaching of high quality, systematic phonics until children complete the ULS phonics programme. A multi-sensory approach is used in phonics lessons so that children learn from simultaneous visual, audio and kinaesthetic activities designed to secure essential phonic knowledge and skills. As part of this approach and to aid the recognition of the grapheme-phoneme correspondences children are taught to use actions for the 44 phonemes first introduced in phase 2 and 3 these linked to the pictures on the sound mat. The phonics actions together with handwriting ditties are in appendix G. Videos of the actions are on the ULS portal and the following links:

Phase 2: <u>ULS Phase 2 Actions</u>
Phase 3: <u>ULS Phase 3 Actions</u>

In the Additionally Resourced Language provision, cued articulation is used instead to build on and consolidate their Speech and Language Therapy.

Phonics sessions are structured in the same way each day to build on learning and create strong, consistent and familiar routines. Each phonics lesson follows the five-part structure of Revisit, Teach, Practise, Apply and Revise. In the Additionally Resourced Language provision, this may go across two lessons, depending on the needs of the children.

REVISIT: Activating prior knowledge, sing alphabet song, recall of phonemes and common exception words, practise blending or fluent reading.

TEACH: Teach new grapheme-phoneme correspondences; skills of blending and segmenting; new common exception words.

PRACTISE: Practise blending for reading and segmenting for spelling (words).

APPLY: Using new learning to read and write captions or sentences.

REVISE: Revise new learning (new GPC and CEWs).

Organisation

All phonics lessons engage all children through multisensory activities that involve a very high level of participation and interaction. To support this each phonics teacher has:

- Access to the ULS portal for the lesson slides which are displayed on an interactive whiteboard or laptop.
- Individual wipe boards and pens for all children.
- A board to model teaching.
- GPC displays or sound mats to refer to.

Other support materials could include:

- Phoneme frames
- Magnetic boards and magnetic letters or grapheme-phoneme correspondences
- Sound mats

Those children with SEND are taught in smaller groups at a pace and pitch to match their phonics knowledge and skills. They have also interventions to help them catch up. Regular phonics assessments ensure appropriate pace and progression and that interventions target the gaps in their knowledge and skills.

End of Year Expectations

- By the end of Nursery, children will be securing the skills of Phase 1 (phonological awareness), including orally blending and segmenting words. If appropriate, the children will start to become familiar with some grapheme-phoneme correspondences through a playful and multisensory approach using songs, actions and stories whilst they continue to learn to sequence, blend and segment sounds orally.
- By the end of Reception, children will be able to read 100% of the phase 2 and 3 GPCs and blend to words containing these GPCs together with reading 80% of the phase 4 words.
- By the end of Year 1, children will be able to read 100% of the phase 5b GPCs and blend words containing these GPCs together with 80% of the phase 5c GPCs and words containing these GPCs.
- On completion of phase 5b mastery and phase 5c mastery, children will be secure in 100% of the GPCs taught and be able to read 100% of the words containing these GPCs.

If children need interventions to reach age related expectations in phonics, these are provided in addition to the daily phonics session so that as many children as possible can access their year group learning objectives and reach age appropriate outcomes. Interventions follow those on the ULS portal.

ASSESSMENT, TRACKING AND MONITORING

Learning is assessed, tracked and monitored consistently through the ULS scheme.

During the lesson

Children are assessed through their responses and interactions in the course of the daily phonics lesson. Misconceptions are addressed in the lessons through 'My turn. Your turn.' and 'Tick or Fix' mantras together with individual feedback and catch ups later in the day if needed.

End of Each Phase

Children will be assessed informally at the end of each phonic phase, this could be through phonics lesson activities, group or individual activities. The ULS individual assessment is used with spotlight children and those with SEND to highlight specific gaps for teachers to address through targeted interventions.

End of Term Tracking

Children in Reception and Year 1 are tracked each term using the ULS Assessment Documents. They are assessed against whether they have secure knowledge of the GPCs, are able to read words using the GPCs and read Common Exception Words that have been taught that term. This is recorded in the ULS Assessment Spreadsheet.

To be 'on-track' pupils need to meet the criteria on the Reception Assessment Tracking and Year 1 Assessment Tracking documents (appendix H).

Throughout the term, Nursery staff will assess against key statements for the phase 1 aspects based on observations in the continuous provision and focus groups.

Monitoring

Monitoring is carried out using the information from the above termly tracking. This provides a picture of the number of children on track and identifies where to provide more support and further targeted interventions to enable and ensure children keep up. Feedback on this and possible next steps are given to teaching staff and discussed in pupil progress meetings as needed.

Statutory assessments

In June of Year 1, children complete the *Phonics Screening Check*, the results of which are a summative assessment of each child's ability to read/decode. If they do not reach the required standard they will resit the check in June of Year 2. This data is submitted to the Local Authority and reported formally to parents or carers in the child's school report. At certain points in the year, children will undertake 'mock' screenings to get them used to the structure of the check and to identify any specific needs to target in lessons or intervention sessions. This also applies to any children in Year 2 who did not meet the required standard in Year 1.

If children do not meet the standard in Year 2, children receive targeted teaching and input to plug gaps and are monitored until they meet the phonics screening check standard.

LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Phonics activities form parts of the continuous provision in the Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and the Lower Language ARP. In each classroom throughout Reception and Key Stage 1 (and KS2 if appropriate) there are grapheme/phoneme displays together with sound and word mats to support children to be independent in their spelling whilst at the same time reinforcing the link between discreet phonics teaching and learning and its purpose in reading and writing as part of a broad and rich curriculum.

Each classroom has a wide choice of fully phonetically decodable books for home reading and there are sets for guided reading groups. All these books are colour banded (see appendix I: Book Colour Band and Phonic Phases for Phonetically Decodable Books) and match the children's developing phonic knowledge. This means every child can experience success in their reading by using the skills they have so far been taught. Additionally, there are real books and other banded books with a star sticker which support reading for pleasure in the classroom or School Library. From Reception until the children leave Raglan, a reading for pleasure book can be taken home as an extra book to be shared with or read by someone at home. Children start their reading journey in Nursery with a free choice book to share with an adult at home. When they are ready in the Summer Term they will take home a lilac book, which continues into the beginning of Reception. Once the children in Reception have been taught the first GPCs in Phase 2, they will then move onto books with text which are closely matched to their developing phonic knowledge. Rereading books is encouraged to support to children to develop their decoding skills, as well as their prosody (expression) and comprehension skills. Children reading book bands up to and including orange, will choose a colour banded reading book to take home once a week to encourage them to reread. How often they read at home is monitored by staff, who work closely with parents to support all children to read regularly. All children in Reception and Key Stage 1 read in an adult-led guided reading group at least once a week. During these sessions, the children develop the skills of decoding, prosody and comprehension using books closely matched to the children's phonic knowledge. In addition to home –school readers, weekly spelling home learning supports the phonics that has been taught that week.

Appendix A: Phonics Glossary



Unlocking Letters and Sounds **Glossary**

A shared understanding and use of phonics and early reading vocabulary is essential to ensure consistency and fidelity to **Unlocking Letters and Sounds**. It supports teacher-subject knowledge and, by using consistent terminology, it also supports children's learning, especially amongst those in your lowest 20 per cent.

| Term | Explanation |
|-----------------|--|
| Phonics | Phonics is a way of teaching reading, writing and spelling based on hearing and identifying letter sounds and matching them to letters or letter patterns. |
| Grapheme | A grapheme is a letter or sequence of letters that represent a phoneme (one sound). When we read aloud, we decode written words by converting graphemes into phonemes. |
| Phoneme | A phoneme is a single spoken sound, e.g. <i>IcI</i> as in <i>c-a-t</i> , or <i>IshI</i> as in <i>sh-i-p</i> . It is the smallest sound in the English language. There are approximately 44 phonemes in English, each made up of one or more letters. |
| Digraph | A digraph is a single sound (i.e. a phoneme) that is made up of two letters, e.g. ee as in <i>t-r-ee</i> or le as in <i>t-ie</i> . |
| Trigraph | A trigraph is a single sound (a phoneme) that is made up of three letters, e.g. Igh as in <i>high</i> . |
| Split digraph | A split digraph is a digraph that is separated by one or more consonants. For example, the /ee/ sound in complete is split by the letter t . |
| Blending | Blending letter sounds (phonemes) together enables children to decode and read words. For example, <i>h-a-t</i> = <i>hat</i> . Children need to practise this so it becomes an automatic skill. |
| Segmenting | Segmenting is the opposite of blending. Segmenting a word is to break the word down into its component phonemes, e.g. hat = h-a-t. Segmenting enables children to break down words they are trying to spell. |
| Decode/decoding | Decoding is the key skill in reading words. Children use their phonics skills to blend the phonemes in a word to decode it. |

Appendix A: Phonics Glossary continued

| Term | Explanation |
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| Sound buttons | Sound buttons help children recognise where the phoneme/sound is in a word, and which letters in the word make that sound. A dot shows that the sound is made from a single letter and a line shows that the sound is made from a digraph or trigraph. For example, tree , kick . |
| Phoneme frame | A phoneme frame supports a child, enabling them to break a word into its individual sounds and identify which letters make this sound. For example t r ee |
| Phoneme fingers | An instruction to the children to count the number of phonemes in a word and show the number using their fingers. |
| Common exception words | Common exception words (CEW) are words that contain one or more irregular or unusual letter sequences, or phonemes that the children may not yet have been taught. It is important when teaching common exception words to highlight the parts of the word that the children have already been taught at that point. |
| Consonant | A consonant is a basic speech sound that is made by constricting or obstructing the air flow from the lungs to the mouth to form the sound. Apart from the five letters that are vowels, all letters in the English alphabet are consonants. |
| Vowel | A vowel is a basic speech sound formed with a relatively free air flow. The vowel letters are a , e , i , o and u . |
| Adjacent consonants | Many consonants contain similar consonant and vowel spelling patterns. Learning these patterns can support both reading and spelling. Words containing adjacent consonants have two consonant sounds before and/or after a vowel sound. They are known by these spelling/sound patterns: CCVC words e.g. trap, drip, slip. CVCC words e.g. milk, pink, sand. CCVCC words e.g. black, grasp, stamp. |
| Syllable | A syllable is a unit of speech that contains a vowel sound and that makes up part of a word. For example one-syllable word – hat two-syllable word – may/be three-syllable word – diff/l/cult |
| Alternative pronunciations | Some letters have multiple pronunciations. These must be recognised in reading. For example, ea appears in sea and heard , but is pronunced differently in each case. |
| Prefix | A prefix is added to the beginning of a word to change its meaning, spelling and/or word function in a sentence. For example, <i>un-happy</i> . |

Appendix A: Phonics Glossary continued

| Term | Explanation |
|------------|---|
| Root words | A root word is a core word that can have a prefix or suffix added to it. For example, <i>happy</i> is the root word in <i>unhappy</i> and <i>happiness</i> . |
| Suffix | A suffix is added to the end of a word to change its meaning, spelling and/or word function in a sentence. For example, <i>hat-s</i> or <i>happi-ness</i> . |
| Phase | Unlocking Letters and Sounds splits the progression of teaching phonics into phases. Each phase is a distinct stage and the phases are cumulative and progressive. It is important that children are only expected to read words from phases they have been taught. |

Appendix B: Detailed ULS pace and progression



Unlocking Letters and Sounds Summary Progression

This summary progression shows the progression of GPCs and common exception words (CEW) that are taught in each term in **Unlocking Letters and Sounds**. The progression largely follows the progression contained in *Letters and Sounds 2007*, with some modifications, including refinements and clarifications of learning elements omitted from *Letters and Sounds*, and updated guidance, including requirements from the National Curriculum.

The progression is structured broadly to follow Phases 1 to 5 of Letters and Sounds, but some phases are subdivided into smaller sections, offering structured opportunities for revision ('Mastery') and for spelling development.

The detailed progression for **Unlocking Letters and Sounds** shows the GPCs and CEW that are taught on a week-by-week basis. A separate chart is also available showing how the **Ransom Reading Stars** programme of reading books matches the **Unlocking Letters and Sounds** progression. At least two new fully-decodable reading books are available to read every week, for all Phases.

| Year group | Phase | GPCs taught | Common exception words taught |
|----------------------------|---|--|---|
| Preschool | One | Sound discrimination, phonological awareness, rhyme, oral blending and segmenting | |
| Reception Autumn Term 1 | Two | s a t p i n m d g o c k ck e u r h b f ff i ii ss Read words with -s ending | the to into no I go |
| Reception Autumn Term 2 | Three | j v w x y z zz qu ch sh th (voiced and unvoiced) ng al ee igh oa oo oo ar or ur Read words containing -ing endings with no change to the root word | me we be he she was you they all |
| Reception Spring Term 1 | Three | ow oi ear air ure er Reading and spelling words containing digraphs and trigraphs Assess and review Phase 3 work: j v w x y z zz qu ch sh th ng | are my her Revisit: me we be he she |
| Reception Spring Term 2 | Three (Mastery) | Revisit Phase 3 work: al ee igh oa oo oo ar or ur ow ol ear air ure er | Revisit: was you they all are my her |
| Reception Summer Term 1 | Four | CVCC and CCVC words with adjacent consonants that contain graphemes taught in Phase 2 Read words containing -ed and -ing endings with no change to the root word | sald have like so do some come were there little one when out what |
| Reception Summer Term 2 | Four (Mastery) | CVCC and CCVC words with adjacent consonants that contain graphemes taught in Phase 3. Polysyllabic CVCC and CCVC words, CCVCC words, polysyllabic CCVCC words, CCCVCC words | Revisit all Phase 4 CEW |
| Year One Autumn Term 1 | Four (Revision plus Y1 NC requirements) | Revisit Phase 4 work Adding -s and -es as a plural marker for nouns Adding -s and -es as a third person singular marker for verbs Adding the suffix -er to verbs to change them to nouns Adding the suffix -er to adjectives Adding the suffix -est Adding the prefix un- to verbs Adding the prefix un- to adjectives Reading words with contractions | |

Appendix B: Detailed ULS pace and progression continued

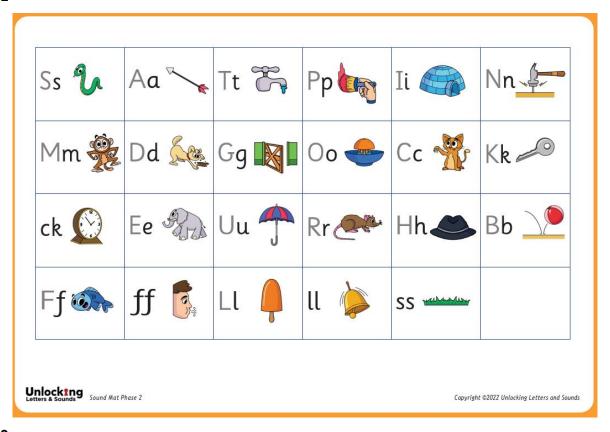
| Year One Autumn Term 2 | Five a) | New graphemes for reading ay ou le ea oy ir ue aw wh ph ew oe au ey a-e, e-e, i-e, o-e u-e Teach the days of the week New phoneme /zh/ | oh their people Mr Mrs looked called |
|---------------------------|---|--|--|
| Year One Spring Term 1 | Five a) (Mastery plus Y1 NC requirements) | Revise new graphemes for reading Revise the days of the week Correct use of -nk ph -wh -tch -ve (NC) | |
| Year One Spring Term 2 | Five b) | Alternative pronunciations of known graphemes for reading; a (as in acorn) a (as in fast) a (as in was) e (as in we) I (as in mind) o (as in no) u (as in unit) u (as in put) ow (as in snow) Ie (as in chief) ea (as in head) er (as in hear) ou (as in you) ou (as in could) ou (as in mould) y (as in by) y (as in gym) y (as in school) ch (as in chef) c (as in cell) g (as in gent) ey (as in gent) ey (as in they) | water where who again thought through mouse work many laughed be cause different any eyes friends once please |
| Year One Summer Term 1 | Five c) | Alternative spellings of phonemes: /ch/ (as in picture) /ch/ (as in catch) /j/ (as in fudge) /m/ (as in lamb) /n/ (as in gnat) /n/ (as in knit) /n/ (as in knit) /n/ (as in wrap) /s/ (as in listen) /s/ (as in listen) /s/ (as in house) /z/ (as in please) /u/ (as in some) /l/ (as in some) /l/ (as in donkey) /ear/ (as in here) /ear/ (as in here) /er/ (as in father) /ar/ (as in half) /air/ (as in there) /air/ (as in bare) /or/ (as in all) /or/ (as in four) /or/ (as in learn) /ur/ (as in word) | |

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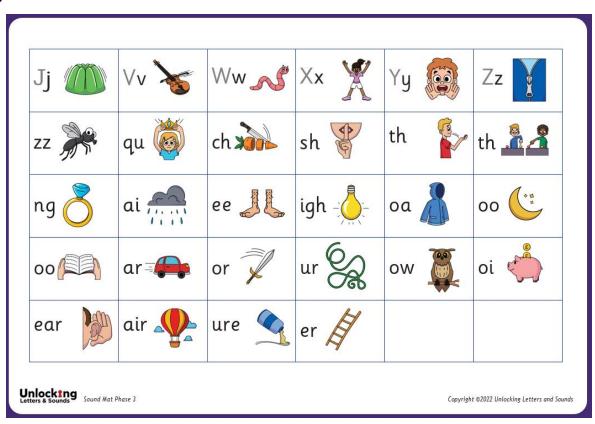
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| Summer Term 2 | | /oo/ (as in could) | |
| | | /oo/ (as in put) | |
| | | /al/ (as in day) | |
| | | /al/ (as in came) | |
| | | /ee/ (as in sea) | |
| | | /ee/ (as in these) | |
| | | /ee/ (as in happy) | |
| | | /ee/ (as in chief) | |
| | | /ee/ (as in key) | |
| | | /igh/ (as in pie) | |
| | | /lgh/ (as in by) | |
| | | /igh/ (as in like) | |
| | | /oa/ (as in low) /oa/ (as in toe) | |
| | | /oa/ (as in toe) /oa/ (as in bone) | |
| | | /(y)oo/ (as in cue) | |
| | | /(y)oo/ (as in tune) | |
| | | /(y)oo/ (as in stew) | |
| | | /oo/ (as in clue) | |
| | | /oo/ (as in June) | |
| | | /oo/ (as in blew) | |
| | | /sh/ (as in special) | |
| | | /sh/ (as in station) | |
| | | /sh/ (as in sugar) | |
| | | /sh/ (as in chef) | |
| Vone Tiuo | Ehro al | Dhaca En) coollings recent character from alternative era | Dovicir roading all common |
| Year Two Autumn Term 1 | Five a) | Phase 5a) spellings recap: choosing from alternative gra- | Revisit reading all common |
| | (Cnollings recent) | | exception words |
| Autumn Term I | (Spellings recap) | phemes with the same sound: ol/oy, ow/ou, ur/er/ir, | exception words |
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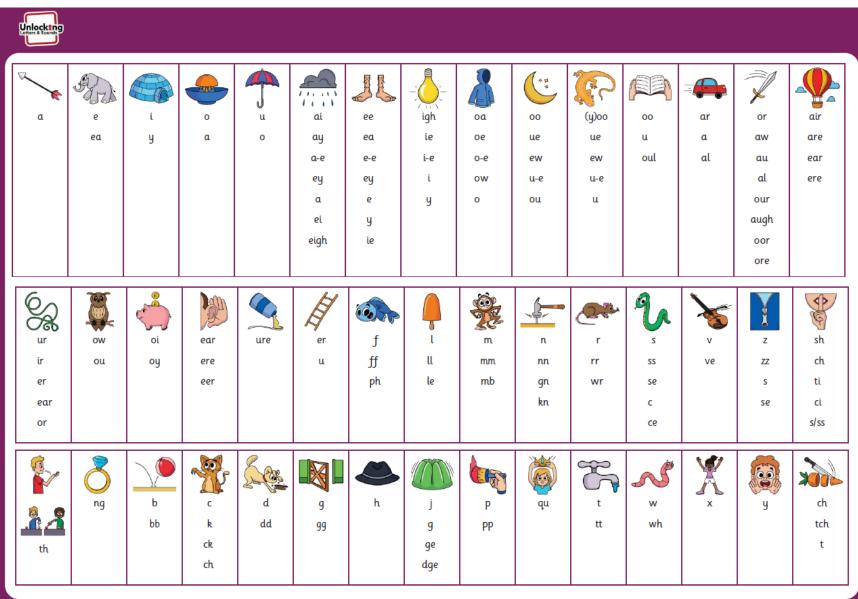
Appendix C: Sound Mats

Phase 2



Phase 3





Phase 5

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<u>Appendix D: KS1 Spelling Rules with CEW Links (adapted from NC Spelling Appendix)*</u>

*The vowel digraphs and trigraphs are only listed if there is guidance given

Year 1

NB: q and u always together "The queen always carries her umbrella."

| Statutory | Rules and guidance (non-statutory) | Example words (non-statutory) | | |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------------------|---------|------------|
| requirements | | | • | • |
| The sounds /f/, | The 'fszl' (fizzle) rule | off | back | frizz |
| /I/, /s/, /z/ and | | puff | luck | jazz |
| /k/ spelt ff, II, ss, | When f, s, z and I follow a single vowel | huff | kick | miss |
| zz and ck | at the end of a short word they are | cuff | sock | kiss |
| | doubled. | cliff | lock | hiss |
| Sniff | | sniff | shock | less |
| Sock | Exceptions : if, pal, us, bus, yes. | snuff | stock | mess |
| Dress | | stuff | buzz | dress |
| fuzz | | well | fuzz | chess |
| | | bell | fizz | |
| The /ŋ/ sound | n before a k has an 'ng' sound | bank | link | honk |
| spelt n before k | 9 | thank | wink | sunk |
| | | think | hunk | tank |
| | | ink | dunk | stink |
| | | pink | | |
| Division of words | Each syllable is like a 'beat' in the spoken | pocket | basket | goblin |
| into syllables | word. Words of more than one syllable | rabbit | bitten | button |
| | often have an unstressed syllable in which | carrot | thunder | hotdog |
| | the vowel sound is unclear. | cobweb | sunset | cotton |
| | | magnet | picnic | |
| -tch for /ch/ | Never at the beginning of a word | catch | notch | pitch |
| 1011 101 1011 | The /ch/ sound is usually spelt as tch if it | fetch | hutch | patch |
| kitchen | comes straight after a single vowel letter. | kitchen | itch | notch |
| latch | demos sirangini arren a sirigie ve wer ierren | ditch | match | watch |
| | Exceptions: rich, which, much, such. | latch | witch | ,, 61.61. |
| | Zacopinon many many modny social | | | |
| The /v/ sound at | English words hardly ever end with the | live | dove | CEW: |
| the end of words | letter v, so if a word ends with a /v/ | give | above | have, love |
| | sound, the letter e usually needs to be | 9.75 | glove | |
| have | added after the 'v'. | | 9.0 / 0 | |
| live | | | | |
| give | Extra points: | | | |
| 9.75 | There will never be an i, j or v at the end | | | |
| | of an English word | | | |
| | You cannot have 'u' and 'v' written | | | |
| | together (possibly because this was hard to | | | |
| | read in old cursive writing scripts so the | | | |
| | following are written with an 'o' e.g. oven, | | | |
| | cover | | | |
| ai, oi | The digraphs ai and oi are virtually | rain | oil | |
| , | never used at the end of English words. | wait | join | |
| | and the second at the second of English worlds. | train | coin | |
| | 'i' doesn't like being at the end of a word | paid | point | |
| | so it changes to an y | afraid | spoil | |
| | 1 to it dianges to all / | Landia | 1 20011 | 1 |

| ay, oy | ay and oy are used for those sounds at | day | boy | CEW: |
|----------------|--|---------------|----------|--------------|
| | the end of words and at the end of | play | toy | today |
| | syllables. | say | joy | |
| | | way | enjoy | |
| | 'i' doesn't like being at the end of a word | stay | annoy | |
| | so it changes to an y | | | |
| Long vowel | Best bet ideas: | CEW: like | sea | see |
| phonemes | A: ai (rain) in the middle and ay (day) | | dream | bee |
| | finally | | meat | free |
| /ai/ | E: ee and ea both in the middle and | | each | feed |
| /ee/ | finally (meet, flea, teach, tea) | | read | tree |
| /igh/ | l: igh (light) in the middle and y in (sky) | | | green |
| /oa/ | finally | | | meet |
| /(y)oo | O: oa (boat) in the middle and ow (show) | | | week |
| | finally | | | |
| | U: u (unicorn, music) and u_e (use, cube) | | | |
| | has the phoneme at the beginning or | | | |
| /aa/ warda | middle, ew and ue are usually at the end | food | blue | novi |
| /oo/ words | Very few words end with the letters oo , although the few that do are often words | | clue | new few |
| 00 | that primary children in year 1 will | pool | true | |
| u_e ue | | moon | irue | grew flew |
| ew | encounter, for example, zoo | zoo moo | | drew |
| CW | Both the oo' and 'yoo' sounds can be | soon | | threw |
| | spelt as u-e , ue and ew . If words end in | | | lillew |
| | the /oo/ sound, ue and ew are more | spoon root | | |
| | common spellings than oo . | hoot | | |
| | common spennings man bo. | 11001 | | |
| | The only common English word ending in | | | |
| | ou is you. | | | |
| OU | The only common English word ending in | mouth | found | shout |
| | ou is you. | around | mouse | out |
| | 55 15 7551 | sound | house | about |
| | | loud | count | round |
| | | proud | pound | |
| Words ending - | Words an 'ee' sound as an end syllable | very | family | baby |
| y as /ee/ | in two or more syllable words are spelt | happy | city | body |
| | with 'y' | funny | party | ' |
| Words ending - | Tend to be in short words | spy | fly | |
| y as /igh/ | | try | try | |
| ph | The /f/ sound is not usually spelt as ph in | dolphin | phonics | photo |
| • | short everyday words (e.g. fat, fill, fun). | alphabet | elephant | graph |
| | , | phone | ' | |
| wh | Tend to be at the start of questions words | CEW: when, | whale | wheel |
| | 455555555555555555555555555555555555555 | where, what | whip | while |
| | | | | |

| Using k for the /k/ | Year 1: The /k/ sound is spelt as k | Kent | king | ice |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|-----------|---------------|
| sound | rather than as c | sketch | kiss | cycle |
| Joona | before e , i and y . | kit | kill | Cycle |
| (link to soft 'c | (including in a split | skin | keep | |
| & soft 'g') | digraph) | SKIII | keep | |
| a son g j | aigraphi | | | |
| | Vagr 2. 's' save /s / when the next letter | | | |
| | Year 2: 'c' says /s/ when the next letter | | | |
| | is: y i e (yolks in eggs) | | | |
| Adding s and es | The above also works for g as 'j' | | la arara | a art ala a a |
| _ | If the ending sounds like $/s/$ or $/z/$, it is | cats | bags | catches |
| to words (plural of nouns and the | spelt as –s . | dogs | | matches |
| | | spends | | boxes |
| third person | If the ending sounds like /Iz/ and forms | rocks | | foxes |
| singular of verbs) | an extra syllable or 'beat' in the word, it | thanks | | |
| | is spelt as -es . | balls | | |
| Adding the | -ing and -er always add an extra | hunting | jumping | adding |
| endings –ing, –ed | syllable to the word and -ed sometimes | hunted | jumped | added |
| and —er to verbs | does. | hunter | jumper | asking |
| where no change | The past tense of some verbs may sound | buzzing | | asked |
| is needed to the | as if it ends in /id/ (extra syllable), /d/ | buzzed | | |
| root word | or /t/ (no extra syllable), but all these | buzzer | | |
| | endings are spelt -ed . | | | |
| | If the verb ends in two consonant letters | | | |
| | (the same or different), the ending is | | | |
| | simply added on. | | | |
| Adding —er and — | As with verbs (see above), if the | grander | quicker | harder |
| est to adjectives | adjective ends in two consonant letters | grandest | quickest | hardest |
| where no change | (the same or different), the ending is | fresher | lower | kinder |
| is needed to the | simply added on. | freshest | lowest | kindest |
| root word | | faster | older | |
| | | fastest | oldest | |
| Adding the prefix | The prefix un- is added to the | unhappy | undone | unkind |
| – ∪n | beginning of a word without any change | undo | unable | unzip |
| | to the spelling of the root word. | unload | unfit | unlock |
| Compound words | Compound words are two words joined | football | homework | CEW: into |
| | together. Each part of the longer word is | playground | lampshade | today |
| | spelt as it would be if it were on its own. | farmyard | teapot | |
| | | bedroom | seaside | |
| | | blackberry | handbag | |
| | | teacup | inside | |
| Common | Pupils' attention should be drawn to the | the | my | one |
| exception words | grapheme-phoneme correspondences | а | by | once |
| | that do and do not fit in with what has | I | you | ask |
| | been taught so far. | of | your | friend |
| | | is | they | school |
| | These are example words and non- | his | be | put |
| | statutory but they are taught through | has | he | push |
| | the ULS scheme and there is an | no | me | pull |
| | expectation that these will be spelt | go | she | full |
| | correctly. | so | we | house |
| | | | were | our |
| - | | • | • | |

| | do | come | love |
|--|-------|------|-------|
| | to | some | here |
| | today | said | there |
| | are | says | where |
| | was | | |
| | | | |

| Y | ear. | 2 |
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| Year 2 | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|
| Statutory | Rules and guidance (non-statutory) | Example | words (non-si | atutory) | | | | |
| requirements | | | | | | | | |
| The /j/ sound spelt | The letter j is never used for the /j/ | jar | change | magic | | | | |
| as ge and dge at | sound at the end of English words. | jacket | charge | gem | | | | |
| the end of words, | At the end of a word, the $/i/$ sound is | join | bulge | age | | | | |
| and sometimes | spelt –dge straight after the $/a/$, $/e/$, | | village | giraffe | | | | |
| spelt as g | /i/, /o/ and /u/ sounds ('short' | badge | huge | giant | | | | |
| elsewhere in words | vowels). | edge | adjust | energy | | | | |
| before y, i and e | After all other sounds, whether vowels | bridge | - | | | | | |
| | or consonants, the $/j/$ sound is spelt as | fudge | | | | | | |
| | -ge at the end of a word. | dodge | | | | | | |
| | In other positions in words, the /j/ | | | | | | | |
| | sound is often (but not always) spelt as | | | | | | | |
| | g before e, i, and y. The $/i/$ sound is | | | | | | | |
| | always spelt as j before a, o and u. | | | | | | | |
| The /s/ sound spelt | 'c' says /s/ when the | race | cell | mercy | | | | |
| c before e, i and y | next letter is: | lace | city | fancy | | | | |
| | y i e | pace | circle | | | | | |
| | (yolks in eggs) | space | cinema | | | | | |
| | | nice | circus | | | | | |
| | Also in split digraph | ice | | | | | | |
| | Also applies for g as /j/ | rice | | | | | | |
| The /n/ sound spelt | The 'k' and 'g' at the beginning of | knit | knuckle | knight | | | | |
| kn and (less often) | these words was sounded hundreds of | knob | know | knot | | | | |
| gn at the beginning | years ago. | knock | knew | gnat | | | | |
| of words | | knowledge | known | gnaw | | | | |
| | | knee | knead | gnome | | | | |
| | | knapsack | kneel | gnash | | | | |
| The /r/ sound spelt | This spelling probably also reflects an | write | wrong | wrapping | | | | |
| wr at the beginning | old pronunciation. | wrote | wren | wrapped | | | | |
| of words | | written | wrap | wreck | | | | |
| | | wrestle | wring | wriggle | | | | |
| /-/ | 71 1 10 10 | wrist | | | | | | |
| The /I/ or /ƏI/ | The -le spelling is the most common | table | angel | metal | | | | |
| sound at the end of | spelling for this sound at the end of | apple | level | pedal | | | | |
| a word spelt: | words (so it is the best bet) | bottle | model | capital | | | | |
| -le | The alonelline is worth loss some | middle | label | hospital | | | | |
| -el | The -el spelling is much less common than -le . | puzzle candle | hotel | animal local | | | | |
| -al | | canale | jewel cruel | _ | | | | |
| -Words ending –il | The -el spelling is used after m , n , r , s , v , w and more often than not after s . | staple | camel | vocal legal | | | | |
| | w, we and more orien man nor after s. | ripple | tunnel | total | | | | |
| | Not many nouns end in -al, but many | topple | squirrel | mental | | | | |
| | adjectives do | sample | towel | petal | | | | |
| | | people | tinsel | Perai | | | | |
| | 1 | People | 1111301 | <u> </u> | | | | |

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| | Another rule of thumb is that if the letter before the suffix (the word ending) is a tall or deep letter (b,d,f,g,h,j,k,l,p,t,y) then the ending is normally –le. Watch out though, a single t can break this rule! If, on the other hand, it is a small letter (a,c,e,m,n,o,r,s,u,v,w,x,z) then the ending is usually –el or –al. | cable tumble eagle angle jungle uncle CEW: little | | pencil fossil nostril basil peril pupil stencil civil evil devil gerbil lentil April |
| The /igh/ sound spelt —y at the end of words | This is by far the most common spelling for this sound at the end of words. | cry fly dry try | fry shy sky defy | why sly reply July |
| Adding —es to nouns and verbs ending in —y | The y is changed to i before —es is added. (Just the words that follow the rule.) | babies diaries copies carries | tries flies replies cities | parties armies jellies fairies |
| Adding —ed, —ing, — er and —est to a root word ending in —y with a consonant before it | The y is changed to i before -ed, -er and -est are added, but not before - ing as this would result in ii. The only ordinary words with ii are skiing and taxiing. | copied copier copying happier happiest | replied replying cried crying drying frying | carried carrier worrier worried worrying |
| Adding the endings ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words ending in -e with a consonant before it | The -e at the end of the root word is dropped before -ing , -ed , -er , -est , -y or any other suffix beginning with a vowel letter is added. Exception : being. | hiking hiked hiked nicer nicest | shiny icy iced icing coming | |
| Adding -ing, -ed, -er, -est and -y to words of one syllable ending in a single consonant letter after a single vowel letter | The last consonant letter of the root word is doubled to keep the /a/, /e/, /i/, /o/ and /u/ sound (i.e. to keep the vowel 'short'). Exception: The letter 'x' is never doubled: mixing, mixed, boxer, sixes. | patting patted humming hummed dropping dropped | sadder saddest fatter fattest | runner runny running hitting hitter |
| The /or/ sound spelt a before I and II | The /or/ sound ('or') is usually spelt as a before I and II . | ball call fall wall | talk walk always | all tall mall |
| The /u/ sound spelt o | | other mother brother nothing Monday | love glove above come honey | money dozen done some |
| The /ee/ sound spelt —ey | The plural of these words is formed by the addition of -s (donkeys, monkeys, etc.). | key donkey monkey valley | chimney alley gallery jersey | hockey money smiley |

| The /o/ sound spelt 'a' after w and qu | a is the most common spelling for the /o/ ('hot') sound after w and qu . | was want watch wander wash | wallet what squad squash | quarrel quantity quantity |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| The /er/ sound spelt 'or' after w | There are not many of these words. | word work worm | worth work worthy | world |
| The /or/ sound spelt 'ar' after w | There are not many of these words. | war warmth | warm | towards warble |
| The /ʒ/ sound spelt s | | treasure usual | | |
| The suffixes —ment, —ness, —ful , —less and —ly | If a suffix starts with a consonant letter, it is added straight on to most root words without any change to the last letter of those words. Exceptions: (1) argument (2) root words ending in -y with a consonant before it but only if the root word has more than one syllable. | enjoyment payment movement sadness darkness | helpful painful hopeful careful hopeless homeless | badly happily happiness prettiness laziness |
| Contractions | In contractions, the apostrophe shows where a letter or letters would be if the words were written in full (e.g. can't – cannot). It's means it is (e.g. It's raining) or sometimes it has (e.g. It's been raining), but it's is never used for the possessive. | can't haven't didn't couldn't | wouldn't shouldn't doesn't it's | l'll l'm you're you'll he'll |
| The possessive apostrophe (singular nouns) | | Megan's, Ravi's, | the girl's, the child's | the man's |
| Words ending in – tion | | station fiction | section action | motion national |
| Homophones and near-homophones | It is important to know the difference in meaning between homophones. | There (signpost for 'r' or look here and there)/their (person drawn for the i) they're | here/hear (ear in hear) quite/quiet see/sea bare/bear | one/won sun/son to/too (too many oo's)/two be/bee blue/blew night/knight |

| Common exception | | door | every | hour |
|------------------|--|--|--|---|
| words | Note: 'children' is not an exception to what has been taught so far but is included because of its relationship with 'child'. Some words are exceptions in some accents but not in others – e.g. past, last, fast, path and bath are not exceptions in accents where the a in these words is pronounced /a/, as in cat. Great, break and steak are the only common words where the /ai/ sound is spelt ea. These are example words from the spelling curriculum appendix and non- statutory (unlike KS2) but they are taught through the ULS scheme and there is an expectation that these will be spelt correctly. | floor poor because find kind mind behind wild child children climb most only both old cold gold hold told could should would | everybody even great break steak pretty beautiful after fast last past father class grass plant path bath clothes busy | move prove improve sure sugar eye who whole any many again half Mr Mrs parents Christmas people water money |

Appendix F: KS1 Best Bets for Spelling

| Phoneme (sound) | Overall Best bet | Middle of the word | End of the word | Others (rare) | Phoneme (sound) | Overall Best bet | Middle of the word | End of the word | Others (rare) |
|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------|---------------------|---|--|--|
| a | α | | | | ai | a_e | ai a_e | ay 'i' doesn't like being at the end of a word or syllable so it changes to an 'y' | apron, gr <u>ea</u> t, v <u>ei</u> n, <u>eigh</u> t, str <u>aigh</u> t th <u>e</u> y |
| e | e | ea | | | ee | ea | y at the end of the last syllable in words with two or more syllables | | he (at the end of short words), e-e (these), chief, key, receipt, people |
| i | i | | | gym, | igh | i_e | | nd or in the middle if wed by a 't' y most common spelling at the end of words. | p <u>ie,</u> k <u>i</u> nd, |
| 0 | o | | | w<u>a</u>sp after 'w' or 'qu' | oa | o_e oa | o_e oa | ow | t <u>oe,</u> n <u>o,</u> th <u>ough</u> |
| u | u | | | m <u>o</u> nth | (y)oo | | u_e | ew ue | <u>u</u> niform |
| OO (book) | 00 | | | p <u>u</u> t, c <u>ou</u> ld | OO (boot) | u_e | 00 | ue ew | gr <u>ou</u> p, fr <u>ui</u> t, |

| Phoneme (sound) | Overall Best bet | Middle of the word | End of the word | Others (rare) | Phoneme (sound) | Overall Best bet | Middle of the word | End of the word | Others (rare) |
|--------------------|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|---|
| oi | oi | oi | oy 'i' doesn't like being at the end of a word so it changes to an 'y' | | air | air are | air (at start of | | b <u>ear,</u> th <u>eir,</u> th <u>ere,</u> v <u>ar</u> y, |
| ar | <u>ar</u> | a | | h <u>alf,</u> h <u>ear</u> t, biz <u>arre</u> | | | | | <u>aer</u> oplane |
| er | er ur | | er at the end of | work after w (this isn't very common), | | | ear <u>eer</u> | | h <u>ere,</u> p <u>ier</u> |
| | <u>ir</u> | | polysyllabic words | <u>ear</u> th col <u>our</u> | ng | ng | | | thi<u>n</u>k 'n before a 'k' has an 'ng' |
| or | or au (beginning or middle, never at end) | | | d <u>oor,</u> s <u>ore,</u> | | | | | sound |
| | | aw (or in middle if before as 'a' b' b' a' b | s <u>aw, August,</u> c <u>aught, four,</u> c <u>all</u> usually spelt as 'a' before 'l' and 'll'., t <u>alk, warm</u> after 'w'- this isn't | <u>sh</u> | <u>sh</u> | | | <u>ch</u> ef, sta <u>ti</u> on, ti <u>ss</u> ue, <u>s</u> ure, spe <u>ci</u> al | |
| | | | | very common | | | | tch tends to be straight | |
| ow | <u>ou</u> | middle when follo | of a word or in the owed by an 'l' or 'n' not 'nd' | pl <u>ough</u> | <u>ch</u> | <u>ch</u> | | after a single short vowel letter | |
| | | | WW. | | | | | | |

| Phoneme (sound) | Overall Best bet | Middle of the word | End of the word | Others (rare) | Phoneme (sound) | Overall Best bet | Middle of the word | End of the word | Others (rare) | |
|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---|--|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|
| Ь | Ь | bb | | | | | | | | |
| С | С | | | kick -very likely to if before an 'y', 'i' or 'e' (yolk)s in eggs' duck at the end of a short word or syllable after a single 'short' vowel, quay, Christmas | j | j | | after 'short' vowels. ge after all other sounds, the /j/ sound is spelt as — ge at the end of a word. English words do not end in 'j' and the letter e usually needs to be added after the 'g'. | g before y, i or e "yolks in eggs" or in year 1 first taught as in a split digraph | |
| d | d | | | <u>dd</u> | | | | 9. | | |
| f | f | | at the end of a short word or syllable after a single short vowel | ph The IfI sound is not usually spelt as ph in short everyday words | | | | | short word or syllable after a single short vowel letter before | (Autele Mille Quite St. He Ki |
| g | g | | | | ι | ι | | the end syllable in a polysyllabic word | w,x,z) then the ending is usually – | |
| m | m | | | la <u>mb</u> | | | | and the letter before <i>is tall or</i> <i>deep letter</i> | el or —al al not many nouns end in —al, but | |
| n | n | | | <u>kn</u> ow, <u>gn</u> aw | | | | (b,d,f,g,h,j,k,l,p,t,y) Watch out a single | many adjectives do il Not many words | |
| r | r | | | <u>wr</u> ap | | | | 't' can break this rule! | end in -il | |

| Phoneme (sound) | Overall Best bet | Middle of the word | End of the word | Others | Phoneme (sound) | Overall Best bet | Middle of the word | End of the word | Others |
|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|---|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--|
| V | V | | English words hardly ever end with the letter v, so if a word ends with a /v/ sound, the letter e usually needs to be added after the 'v'. | | w | w | | | wh tends to be at the start of questions words |
| Z | z | | at the end of a short word or syllable after a single short vowel | i <u>s,</u> plea <u>se,</u> squee <u>ze,</u> | | | | | |

Appendix G: ULS Actions, Images and Handwriting



Unlocking Letters and Sounds

Actions, Images and Handwriting - Phase 2

- These are simple, clear actions that don't impede the child saying the sound
- The sound is only voiced once, so that the teacher can spot those children who are saying the sound slightly behind the rest of the group
- The actions also help warm up hands and fingers, ready for writing

| GPC | Image | Action | Lower Case Lette | r Formation | Upper Case Letter I | Formation |
|-----|-------|--|---|---|---|--|
| S | J | Snake – Slithering snake action with arm | Up and over, around the other way | Ŝ | Up and over, around the other way | Ŝ |
| а | | Arrow – Firing an arrow | Around, up, down and flick | Œ. | Down, down, lift and across | |
| t | | Tap – Twisting a tap | Down and round, pencil off, across | 2 <u> </u> | Down from the top, lift and left to right across the top | 2 |
| р | | Paint – Painting with a paintbrush | Down, up to the top, round to the middle | | Down and back up, around to the middle | P |
| i | | Igloo – Making a curved igloo shape motion with hands | Short down, flick, give it a dot | 1 | From the top to the bot- tom, lift, across, across | 1 |
| n | - | Nail – Hammering a nail | Down, up, over and flick | 10 | Straight down and back up, diagonal down and straight up | |
| m | | Monkey – Monkey arms | Down, up, over and down. Up, over, down and flick | M | Straight down and back up, diagonal down, diagonal up, straight down | /\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\ |
| d | | Dog – Digging dog | Around, all the way up, down and flick | Ö. | Down, up, round to the bottom | Ď |
| g | | Gate – Closing a gate | Around, up, down and a tail | Ï | Round from the top, curl along the line, up and down. Lift and across | |
| 0 | | Orange – Squeezing an orange | Around all the way | Ó | Around all the way | 0 |
| с | | Cat – Clawing cat | Around the curl to sit on the line | Ĉ | Around the curl to sit on the line | |

Appendix G: ULS Actions, Images and Handwriting continued

| k | | Key – Turning a key in a lock | Down, up to the middle, loop and flick | k | Down, lift, diagonal into the middle, diagonal out. | K |
|----|--------------|---|--|----|---|----------|
| ck | | Clock – A ticking clock motion | | | | |
| e | | Elephant – Elephant trunk | Across and over, curl to sit on the line | Q, | Down, back to the top and across, to the middle across, to the bottom across. |] |
| u | | Umbrella – Putting up an umbrella | Down, round, up, down, flick | | Down, round and up to the top | |
| r | 2 | Rat – Make the shape of a rat's nose | Down, up and over | 1 | Down and back up, around to the middle, diagonal down | Ŕ |
| h | | Hat – Putting a hat on your head | Down, up to the middle, over and flick | l. | Down, lift, space and down. Across the middle to join | |
| ь | | Ball – Bouncing a ball | Down, up to the middle, round to the bottom | 10 | Down, lift, space and down. Across the middle to join | B |
| f | | Fish — Hand makes a fish swimming | Over and down, pencil off, across | Ţ | Down, back to the top and across, to the middle across | 3- |
| ff | O Pi | Puff – Puffing out candles | | | | |
| L | | Lollipop – Licking a lollipop | Down and flick | | From the top, down and across | <u> </u> |
| แ | | Bell – Ringing a bell | | | | |
| ss | Will send to | Grass – Grass growing up with fingers | | | | |

Appendix G: ULS Actions, Images and Handwriting continued



Unlocking Letters and Sounds

Actions, Images and Handwriting - Phase 3

- These are simple, clear actions that don't impede the child saying the sound
- The sound is only voiced once, so that the teacher can spot those children who are saying the sound slightly behind the rest of the group
- The actions also help warm up hands and fingers, ready for writing

| GPC | Image | Action | Lower Case Lette | er Formation | Upper Case Letter I | Formation |
|-----|-------|---|---|--------------|---|------------|
| j | | Jelly – wobble like a jelly | down, tail, give it a dot | j | down and curl, lift then across | Ž. |
| v | 1 | Violin – play a violin | down, up, flick | V | diagonal down, diagonal up | \ / |
| w | | Worm – wiggle your finger like a worm | down, up, down, up, flick | \\\\\ | diagonal down and up, diagonal down and up | WW |
| х | X | Exercise – lift arms as if lifting a weight | across to the bottom right, lift, across to the bottom left | 1.2 | across to the bottom right, lift, across to the bottom left | X |
| y | | Yell – hands placed as if yelling | down, round, up, down, give it a tail | 7 | diagonal to the middle, diagonal down | *// |
| z | Yes | Zip – pulling a zip up and down | straight, across, straight | <u>'=</u> / | straight, across, straight | 7 |
| zz | | Buzz – move finger as if following a fly | | | | |
| qu | | Queen – putting on a crown | around, up, all the way down and flick | q' | all the way around, lift and short diagonal | Q |
| ch | Lick | Chop – chopping motion with hand | | | | |
| sh | 1 | Shush – shushing motion with finger | | | | |
| th | C. | Thank — BSL 'thank you' | | | | |

Appendix G: ULS Actions, Images and Handwriting continued

| th | 23 | This and that – pointing at one thing, then at something else | | | |
|-----|----------|---|--|--|--|
| ng | 3 | Ring – putting on a ring | | | |
| ai | | Rain – rain motion with fingers | | | |
| ee | | Feet – point to feet | | | |
| igh | | Light – open and close hand, as if light switching on | | | |
| oa | | Coat – putting on a coat | | | |
| 00 | * | Moon – draw crescent moon with finger | | | |
| 00 | | Book – opening and closing a book | | | |
| ar | = | Car – steering a car | | | |
| or | I | Sword – slashing with a sword | | | |
| ur | & & | Curl – draw curl with finger | | | |
| ow | | Owl – hands make owl eyes | | | |
| oi | | Coin – putting coins in your hand | | | |
| ear | | Hear – cupping ear as if listening | | | |

Appendix H: ULS Reception and Year 1 Assessment Tracking

Reception Assessment Tracking

To be 'on-track' pupils need to meet the following criteria in the term stated below:

| RECEPTION | | Phase 2 | Phase 3 | Phase 4 | Fluency and accuracy guide | |
|-----------|------------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| Autumn 1 | GPCs known | 12/16 (75%) GPCs up to P2 set 4 | | | Reading with developing | |
| | Blending to read | There is no 'on- track' percentage as blending is a new skill. | | | accuracy and fluency books in P2 set 1 | |
| Autumn 2 | GPCs known | 23/23 (100%) GPCs in P2 | 13/21 (60%) GPCs in P3 sets 6-10 | | Reading with developing accuracy and | |
| | Blending to read | As a guide, pupils who are 'on-track' should be able to blend to read 50% of P2 words. | There is no 'on- track' percentage as blending words containing digraphs is a new skill. | | fluency books in P2 set 4 | |
| Spring 1 | GPCs known | 23/23 (100%) GPCs in P2 | 19/26 (70%) GPCs in P3 | | Reading with developing accuracy and | |
| | Blending to read | 23/25 (90%) words in P2 | 17/27 (60%) words in P3 | | fluency books in P3 set 6 | |
| Spring 2 | GPCs known | 23/23 (100%) GPCs in P2 | 21/26 (80%) GPCs in P3 | | Reading with developing | |
| | Blending to read | 25/25 (100%) words in P2 | 22/27 (80%) words in P3 | | accuracy and fluency books in P3 set 9 | |
| Summer 1 | GPCs known | 23/23 (100%) GPCs in P2 | 26/26 (100%) GPCs in P3 | | Reading with developing | |
| | Blending to read | 25/25 (100%) words in P2 | 27/27 (100%) words in P3 | 8/10 (80%) of CCVC/CVCC words with P2 GPCs | accuracy and fluency books in P3 set 10 | |
| Summer 2 | GPCs known | 23/23 (100%) GPCs in P2 | 26/26 (100%) GPCs in P3 | | Reading with developing | |
| | Blending to read | 25/25 (100%) words in P2 | 27/27 (100%) words in P3 | 21/26 (80%) all words in P4 | accuracy and fluency books in P4 containing CCVC, CVCC & polysyllabic words | |

Y1 Assessment Tracking

To be 'on-track' pupils need to meet the following criteria in the term stated below:

| YEAR ONE | | Phase 2 & Phase 3 | Phase 4 | Phase 5a | Phase 5b | Phase 5c | Fluency and accuracy guide | |
|-------------|---------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| Autumn 1 | GPCs known | 49/49 (100%) GPCs in P2 & P3 | | | | | Reading with developing accuracy and | |
| | Blending to read | 52/52 (100%) words in P2 & P3 | 26/26 (100%) words in P4 | | | | fluency books in P4 containing CCVCC, CCCVCC and polysyllabic words | |
| Autumn 2 | GPCs known | 49/49 (100%) GPCs in P2 & P3 | | 14/22 (60%) GPCs in P5a sets 13-15 | | | Reading with developing accuracy and | |
| | Blending to read | 52/52 (100%) words in P2 & P3 | 26/26 (100%) words in P4 | 12/23 (50%) words in P5a sets 13 -15 | | | fluency books in P5a | |
| Spring 1 | GPCs known | 49/49 (100%) GPCs in P2 & P3 | | 18/22 (80%) GPCs in P5a 4/5 (80%) NC | | | Reading with developing accuracy and fluency books in P5a | |
| | Blending to read | 52/52 (100%) words in P2 & P3 | 26/26 (100%) words in P4 | 18/23 (75%) words in P5a 4/5 (80%) NC words | | | | |
| Spring 2 | GPCs known | 49/49 (100%) GPCs in P2 & P3 | | 22/22 (100%) GPCs in P5a 5/5 (100%) NC | 9/15 (60%) GPCs in P5b | | Reading with developing accuracy and fluency books in P5a Mastery | |
| | Blending to read | 52/52 (100%) words in P2 & P3 | 26/26 (100%) words in P4 | 23/23 (100%) words in P5a 5/5 (100%) NC words | 14/23 (60%) words in P5b | | | |
| Summer 1 | GPCs known | 49/49 (100%) GPCs in P2 & P3 | | 22/22 (100%) GPCs in P5a 5/5 (100%) NC | 12/15 (80%) GPCs in P5b | 14/22 (60%) GPCs taught in P5c | Reading with developing accuracy and fluency books in P5b | |
| | Blending to read | 52/52 (100%) words in P2 & P3 | 26/26 (100%) words in P4 | 23/23 (100%) words in P5a 5/5 (100%) NC words | 19/23 (80%) words in P5b | 30/50 (60%) words containing GPCs taught in P5c | | |

| Summer 2 | GPCs known | 49/49 (100%) GPCs in P2 & P3 | | 22/22 (100%) GPCs in P5a 5/5 (100%) NC | 15/15 (100%) GPCs in P5b | 18/22 (80%) GPCs taught in P5c | Reading with developing accuracy and fluency books in P5c |
|-------------|---------------------|--|--|---|---------------------------------|---|---|
| | Blending to read | 52/52 (100%) words in P2 & P3 | 26/26 (100%) words in P4 | 23/23 (100%) words in P5a 5/5 (100%) NC words | 23/23 (100%) words in P5b | 40/50 (80%) words containing GPCs taught in P5c | |

On completion of Phase 5b Mastery and Phase 5c Mastery in year 2, all children should be secure in 100% of GPCs taught and be able to read 100% of words containing these GPCs.

Appendix I: Book Colour Band and Phonic Phases for Phonetically Decodable Books

| Band/colour | Phonic Phase | | | | |
|------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| 0 LILAC | Pre- phonic (books with no words) | | | | |
| 1A PINK A | Introduce Phase 2 phonemes s, a, ,t, p, i, n, m, d | | | | |
| 1B PINK B | Introduce the later phonemes and digraphs of Phase 2: | | | | |
| | g, o, c, k, e, u, r, h, b, f, l, ck, ff, ll, ss | | | | |
| 2A RED A | Introduce Phase 3 phonemes: | | | | |
| | j, x, y, z, v, w, ch, sh, th, nk, qu, zz | | | | |
| 2B RED B | Introduce the phonemes, digraphs and trigraphs of Phase 3 : | | | | |
| | ai, ar, ow, oa, oo, ure, ur, oi, air, ee, er, ear, or, igh | | | | |
| 3 YELLOW Phase 4 | | | | | |
| 4 BLUE | Phase 5a – GPCs up to and including split digraphs | | | | |
| 5 GREEN | Phase 5 | | | | |
| 6 ORANGE | Phase 5 | | | | |
| 7 TURQUOISE | Phase 5 | | | | |
| 8 PURPLE | Year 2 | | | | |
| 9 GOLD | Year 2 | | | | |
| 10 WHITE | Year 2 | | | | |
| 11 LIME | Beyond Year 2 | | | | |

^{*} all have CEW in line with Letters and Sounds phases.