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- Phonics is taught in six phases from Year R to Year 2.
- The children work through the phases at their own pace, so may be at a different place to their friends and peers.
- Start with Phase 1 and work through until you find an activity that your child can't do independently.



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# Phonics: Useful resources

- Click on the picture to visit the websites.



- Online phonics games and activities.



- More information about teaching and learning phonics.



- Phonics books for children to read.



# Phonics: Useful resources

- Songs for each grapheme  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U2HYM9VXz9k&safe=true>)
- Alphablocks  
([https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC\\_qs3c0ehDvZkbiEbOj6Drg?safe=true](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_qs3c0ehDvZkbiEbOj6Drg?safe=true))
- Tricky words  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TvMyssfAUx0&safe=true>)



# Phase 3

- Phase 3 introduces the rest of the single letter sounds, and some digraphs and trigraphs. By the end of phase 3, they know one grapheme for every single sound.
- The sounds are taught in the following order:
  - Set 6: j, v, w, x
  - Set 7: y, z/zz, qu
  - ch, sh, th, ng, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear, air, ure, er
- The Phase 3 tricky words are:
  - he, she, we, me, be, was, my, you, they, her, all



# Phase 3: Vocab

- A phoneme is a sound.
- A grapheme is a sound written down.
- A digraph is 2 letters that make one sound (e.g. ch, sh).
- A trigraph is 3 letters that make one sound (e.g. air, ure).



# Phase 3 Activities

- Sentence substitution is a game where you write a sentence and then swap some words out. For example, you could write “the sheep is big” and then swap “sheep” for “duck” and “big” for “wet”.
- Full circle is a game where you write a word and then swap one sound (e.g. change sheep to ship) and see if you can keep changing sounds until you end up where you started. (For example: sheep, ship, hip, hop, bop, beep, sheep).



# Phase 3 Activities

- You can use all of the same Phase 2 activities for Phase 3!
- As their writing confidence develops, you can also play Quickwrite games which time how many words they can write in a minute / two minutes etc.
- You can also play Countdown and see how many words they can read in this time too.
- <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLuGr6z2H2KNG4XgGr7UylwowlcDLr-T-k&safe=true> – Daily Phase 3 phonics lessons.





# Phase 3 Phoneme Frames

- Just like at Phase 2, you can use phoneme frame. Remember that one **sound** goes in each space, not one letter! Sound buttons are useful here too.

<u>sh</u>	i	p
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<u>ch</u>	i	<u>ck</u>
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m	<u>ee</u>	t
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