

Resources for Letters and Sounds

Introduction

Ensuring resources, such as words, GPC's (grapheme-phoneme correspondences) and sound charts (technically a grapheme grid) are matched to Letters and Sounds is crucial for fidelity and consistency.

Carefully selecting resources that are aligned to letters and sounds teaching order so children can successfully blend and segment will greatly aid application, progress and programme success.

Grapheme grids (sound friezes for classroom wall)

Where should the wall class sound charts best displayed?

- Sound charts or technically 'grapheme grids' displayed as each phoneme is introduced.
- At child's height
- Use to read and say the sounds in your daily revise and review.
- Positioned near teaching area.
- Phase 5: Point to 'same, sound BUT different spelling.' For example, 'ou- a mouse in a house.' You can quickly point to 'ow' (phase3).
- Consistency. Have the same grapheme grids in all classrooms.
- For SEND have the same grapheme grids in the writing area.

Should I use sound charts with images?

- *Picture clues are extremely helpful to engage, aid memorisation and support EAL children, and struggling readers.*
- *SEN children benefit from visual prompts and images to aid their recall and retention.*
- *Images are also effective in aiding 'tuning in' when introducing a new sound.*



s	a	t	p	i	n
m	d	g	o	c	ck
e	u	r	h	b	f ff
l ll	qu	ch	sh	th	ng
ai	oe	igh	ee	oo	oo
or	ar	oi	ur	ow	air
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Does the type of font matter?

- *Ensure fonts match your handwriting scheme (cursive/non-cursive).*
- *Using the same font for wall charts, tricky words and words aids consistency.*
- *Using the same font for grapheme grids and words also helps children with SEND and handwriting skills.*
- *Handwriting and pencil grip visual reminders with a variety of writing tools are helpful too in the writing area. Alongside a variety of tools, paper, envelopes, etc.*

What sound charts are useful in the writing area and setting?

- For application, grapheme grids (same as displayed on the wall) in the writing area are helpful to support independence.
- Lots of repeated practise of saying, matching and having a go at writing sounds and words, supported by the use of objects and sound charts with images.
- Tricky words in red- stop! Careful, these are tricky! Tricky words in view and accessible aid learning also and open up on the spot teaching opportunities.
- As children progress give children choice- grapheme grids with images as clue (a- apple) and later in the year, also offer charts with just the graphemes so children do not become dependent on the image/action.

Where can we buy these from? What is recommended?

Grapheme grids/frieze in the order that letters and sounds are taught, are available from these places:

Neutral or aligned to L&S.

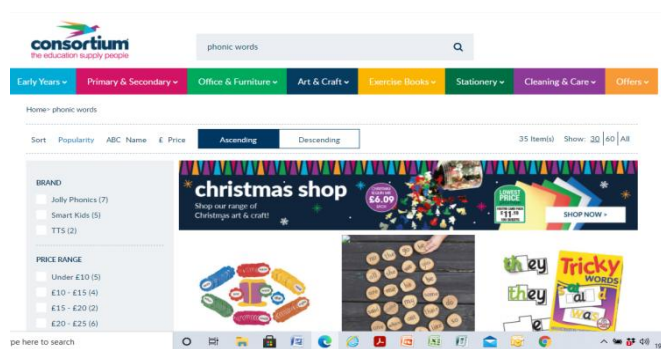
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<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/> (free words, sentences and phonemes)
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<https://www.consortiumeducation.com/>
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<https://www.primaryict.co.uk/pr7878/phonics-pocket-wall-chart-phase-2-114cm-x-6-li02013>

Online video examples, blending and segmenting film clips:

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=PHONEME+CLASS+FREIZES+LETTERS+AND+SOUNDS&qpv=PHONEME+CLASS+FREIZES+LETTERS+AND+SOUNDS&FORM=VDRE>



The screenshot shows the 'Letters and Sounds' website with a navigation bar for different year levels (Year 1 to Year 11). The main content area is titled 'Free Letters and Sounds Resources' and includes a section for 'Phase 1: Introduction' and 'Phase 2: Resources'. It features a colorful truck graphic with the letters 'at' and a list of resources for parents and teachers.



The screenshot shows the Consortium website with a search bar containing 'phonics words'. Below the search bar, there are filters for 'BRAND' (Jolly Phonics (7), Smart Kids (5), TTS (2)) and 'PRICE RANGE' (Under £10 (5), £10 - £15 (4), £15 - £20 (2), £20 - £25 (6)). The main content area displays a 'christmas shop' banner and various products for sale.



Primary ICT, sell a good range of grapheme grids for the class wall, phonic activities, intervention packs and decodable guided books.

My favourite resource.

Good, resources aligned to teaching order of L&S

Smart Kids

Smart kids sell friezes in a box so you can display as you teach and they are in Letters and sounds teaching order. There is a colour for each phase.

<https://www.smartkids.co.uk/products/phoneme-frieze-phase-two>



Phoneme Frieze Phase Two

£12.99 ex VAT

Quantity

1

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Suitable for: 3-5, 5-6, 6-7

This frieze represents the Phase Two phonemes of Letters and Sounds in the progression that they are introduced, along with photographic mnemonic images. The frieze comes in a box so the phonemes that have not yet been taught can be until introduced.

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Customer Reviews



Janet recommends.....Smart Kids resources.

Why?

Exact L& S order

Reasonable price

Sturdy, double sided (one side the word, the other sound buttons – less able/more able support)

Good images to use as memory hook- pppig, hhhhorse. Opportunities to add actions too.

Warning: Need to add more complex, challenging words for higher ability.



Phoneme Frieze Phase Five

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Subtotal for: 1 x £12.99

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Note: May not be a mnemonic. It may be an action to match the image, i.e. 'a'- 'apple' (so use gesture to mime eating an **apple) Gesture & actions are powerful effective memory tools.*

Actions and images: These images alongside actions to ensure engagement, memorisation and participation, may be useful to support the introduction of a phoneme alongside tuning them in as step one of introducing a new phoneme.

Word cards



Letters and Sounds Flash Cards Phase Three

£24.99 ex VAT

All the words used at this stage of Letters and Sounds are provided in this handy boxed set with dividers. Cards are double-sided, showing the word on one side and the word with sound 'buttons' on the other, representing individual phonemes. Use these cards for playing countdown by seeing how...



Letters and Sounds Flash Cards Phase Two

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Double sided with one side showing sound buttons and the other side, just the word. Thick card so easy to handle and sturdy. **They have a degree of progression in the word complexity but perhaps not quite challenging enough if you have higher ability.*

Smart Kids do Chute cards, that focus on one particular phoneme. Good for small group booster work to address key gaps.



Letters and Sounds Phase 2 Letter Sets 4-5 Chute Cards

£5.99 ex VAT

Quantity

- 1 +

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Suitable for: 3-5, 5-6

Learn and revise word level phase-by-phase phonemes and graphemes, using the power of the Smart Chute. Each card gives a targeted learning objective e.g. identifying a missing phoneme from a word, that when posted into the Chute (sold separately) is revealed. Contains over 50 cards covering later letter sets and includes the relevant high-frequency words taken from the first 100 high-frequency appropriate to Phase 2. Suitable for Foundation+.

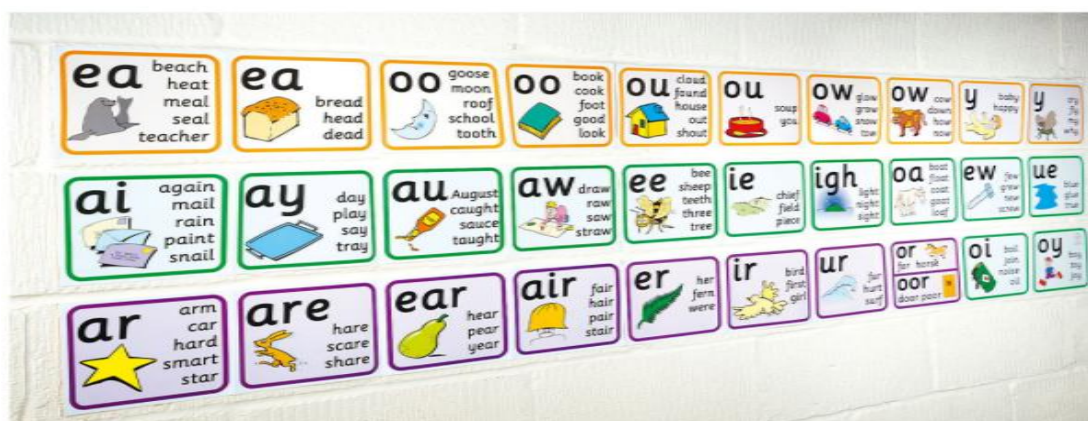
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What can I use for the daily revise and review plus catch up?

This grid is really clear, aids EAL children but isn't overwhelming.

Phase 6 + key stage 2 (ideal for consolidating phase 5 advanced code and year2+)

<https://www.consortiumeducation.com/vowel-phonemes-wall-frieze>



A useful wall chart (grapheme grid) to rapidly read the phonemes then immediately blend to read words!

A good resource for a quick daily revise and review to start a catch up lesson in year 2 and key stage two because you can blend to read the example words on the chart.

Note: not all the code is here- a-e e-e i-e o-e u-e and the 5 vowels a e i o u are essential too.



From TTS 44 Phonic sounds wall poster (all sounds) £30.95

[Buy Phonics 44 Sounds Wall Poster | TTS \(tts-group.co.uk\)](https://www.tts-group.co.uk)

Floppy's Phonics



Oxford Reading Tree: Floppy's Phonics: Frieze

£25.00 plus VAT

Teach phonics with Biff, Chip, Kipper and Floppy! All you need to deliver systematic synthetic phonics.

Suitable for:

Foundation/Key Stage 1

Ages 4-6

Reception/Year 1

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Teach phonics with Biff, Chip, Kipper and Floppy! All you need to deliver systematic synthetic phonics. Phonics consultant **Debbie Hepplewhite**, Series creator **Roderick Hunt**, and Series creator and illustrator **Alex Brychta**

Suitable for:

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Ages 4-6

Reception/Year 1: An attractive frieze for constant reference and revision of sounds and graphemes from Stage 1+ to Stage 4 (**Letters and Sounds Phases 2-4**).

Features

- Fully matched to *Letters and Sounds*.
- Perfect fit with your phonics teaching – endorsed by phonics expert and trainer Debbie Hepplewhite.
- Complements your existing Oxford Reading Tree resources so you can gradually add-on.
- Introduces the loveable characters to make learning to read and write fun – this is where the Oxford Reading Tree adventure begins
- Fully decodable 'floppy's phonics' are also available.

<https://flopypsphonics.com/product/oxford-reading-tree-flopyps-phonics-sounds-letters-singles-pack-books-only/>

Twinkl

Subscribe for membership. Some resources are free.

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/search?term=phonics%20sound%20chart>

They also do intervention packs and phoneme spotter comprehension



Sound Spelling Phonics Anchor Charts

★★★★★ ∨ 1



Phonics Phase 2, 3 & 5 Wall Chart

★★★★★ ∨ 30



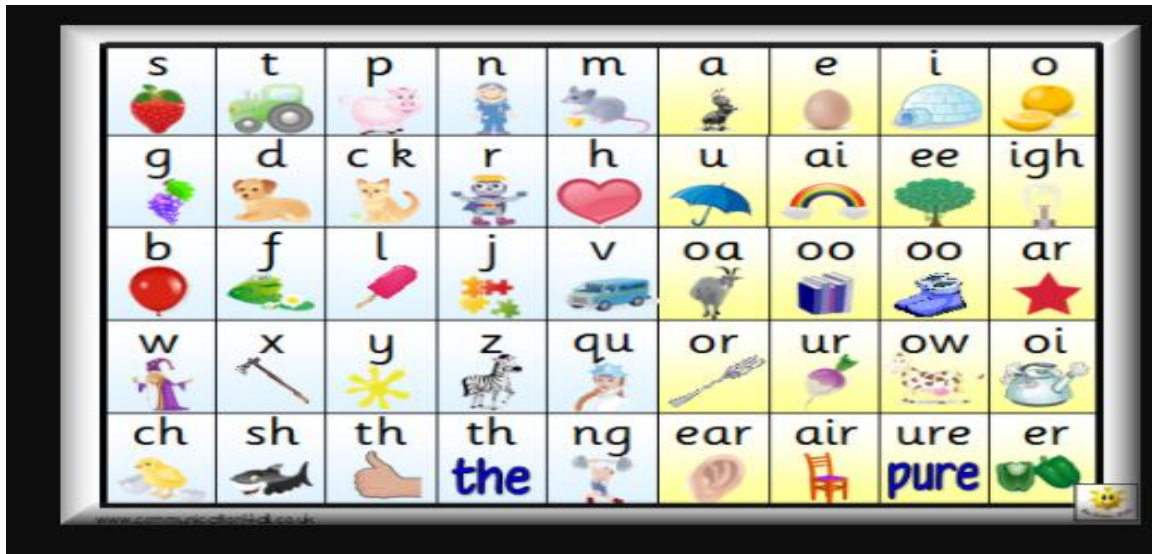
Phase 2 Phonics GPC Chart



Speed Sounds Wall Chart

[Phonics sound mats](#) | [Free phonics phase 2, 3, 4 and 5 sound mats](#) | [TheSchoolRun](#)
Useful parent resources and information too.





A clear and useful grapheme grid for Phase 2 and 3 (reception) Easy gesture/actions to do alongside to aid interaction.

Primary ICT

sounds wall chart uk - Bing image X Phonics Pocket Wall Chart Phase X

https://www.primaryict.co.uk/pr7878/phonics-pocket-wall-chart-phase-2-114cm-x-6-1102013

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phase 5- <https://www.primaryict.co.uk/pr7880/phonics-pocket-wall-chart-phase-5-114cm-x-6-li02105>

Interactive resource with images to match to the correct grapheme.

As with any resources, be careful, just check the all of images are suitable and compatible with L&S.

Other resources



Letters & Sounds Phase 3 Essentials Kit

£99.99 ex VAT

Quantity

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Suitable for: 3-5, 5-6

Covers the next 25 graphemes, most of them comprising two letters (e.g. oa). CVC blending and segmentation will continue to be practised and children will begin to read and spell simple two-syllable words and captions.

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** remember to add more challenging words- two digraphs, more complex, polysyllabic.*

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- Phoneme Frieze.
- I Can... Book and Cards.
- Mnemonic Cards.
- Sentence Substitution game.
- Yes/No Question Cards game.
- Picture Caption Matching puzzles.
- Matching Words & Pictures puzzles.
- Picture Sentence Matching Set 1 & 2.
- Phonics Planner.
- Gratnells Tray.
- Set of Decodable Readers. * sets of decodable books available here too.

44 Sound and Spelling Phonics Tubs



Sound tubs

[Buy 44 Sound and Spelling Phonics Tubs | TTS \(tts-group.co.uk\)](https://tts-group.co.uk)

Teach the different sounds and spellings of the 44 sounds in the English Language with this tactile set of plastic object pieces.

Each tub has items representing a particular sound, helping children see real life examples of how different spellings can create the same sound. Covers initial sounds, long and short vowels and split digraphs.

The tubs can be accessed in a structured format, introducing only the relevant sounds that are being taught, making them suitable for whole class phonics teaching. They can also be used for assessment and revision of sounds in a fun and informal way. There is a label on each tub so all items can be replaced into the correct container.

- **Features:** 44 tubs each containing between 3 and 6 mini plastic versions of real items. Items include giraffe (g), fish (sh), flamingo (ng), cake (a_e), light bulb (igh), cloud (ou)
- **Pack size:** 44
- **Brand:** TTS
- **Age Range:** Suitable for age 3 years and up

<https://blog.maketaketeach.com/phoneme-grapheme-posters-and-resources/>

[Five Phonic Favourites \(tts-group.co.uk\)](https://tts-group.co.uk) See this website for further resources.

Hope this helps!

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