

Letters and Sounds

Phase Five Parent Information.

Children entering Phase Five are able to read and spell words containing **adjacent consonants** and some **polysyllabic words**.

The purpose of this phase is for children to broaden their knowledge of graphemes and phonemes for use in reading and writing. They will learn new graphemes and alternative pronunciations for those graphemes they already know. Children will become quicker at recognising graphemes of more than one letter in words and at blending the phonemes they represent. When spelling words they will learn to choose the appropriate graphemes to represent phonemes.

Tricky words to read

oh, their, people, Mr, Mrs, looked, called, asked, water, where, who, again, thought, through, work, mouse, many, laughed, because, different, any, eyes, friends, once, please

Tricky words to spell

said, so, have, like, some, come, were, there, little, one, do, when, what, out,

Phase Five graphemes

Grapheme	Example word	Grapheme	Example word
ay	day	aw	saw
ou	about	wh	when
ie	pie	ph	phonics
ea	seat	ew	chew
oy	toy	oe	toe
ir	girl	au	launch
ue	blue	ey	money

Phase Five alternative phonemes

Grapheme	Example words	Grapheme	Example word
a	hat, acorn, fast, was	ch	picture, catch
e	bed, he	j	fudge
i	tin, mind	m	lamb
o	hot, cold	n	gnat, knit
u	but, unit, put	r	wrap
ow	down, low	s	listen, house
ie	pie, chief	z	please
ea	sea, head	i	happy, donkey
er	farmer, fern	ear	here, deer
ou	out, you, could, mould	ar	father, half
y	yes, by, gym, very	air	there, pear, bare
ch	chin, school, chef	or	all, four, caught, launch
c	cat, cell,	ur	learn, word
g	got, gent	oo	would, full
ey	money, they	ai	day, came

ee	sea, these, happy, chief, key	igh	pie, by, like
oa	low, toe, bone	(y)oo	cue, tune, stew
oo	clue, June, blew	sh	special, station, sure, chef
zh	treasure		

100 high-frequency words in phases

Phase Five

Note that some of the words that were tricky in earlier phases become fully decodable in Phase Five

Decodable words

don't
old
I'm
by
time

day
made
came
make
here
saw
very
put (*south*)

house
about
your

Tricky words

oh
their
people
Mr
Mrs
looked
called
asked
could