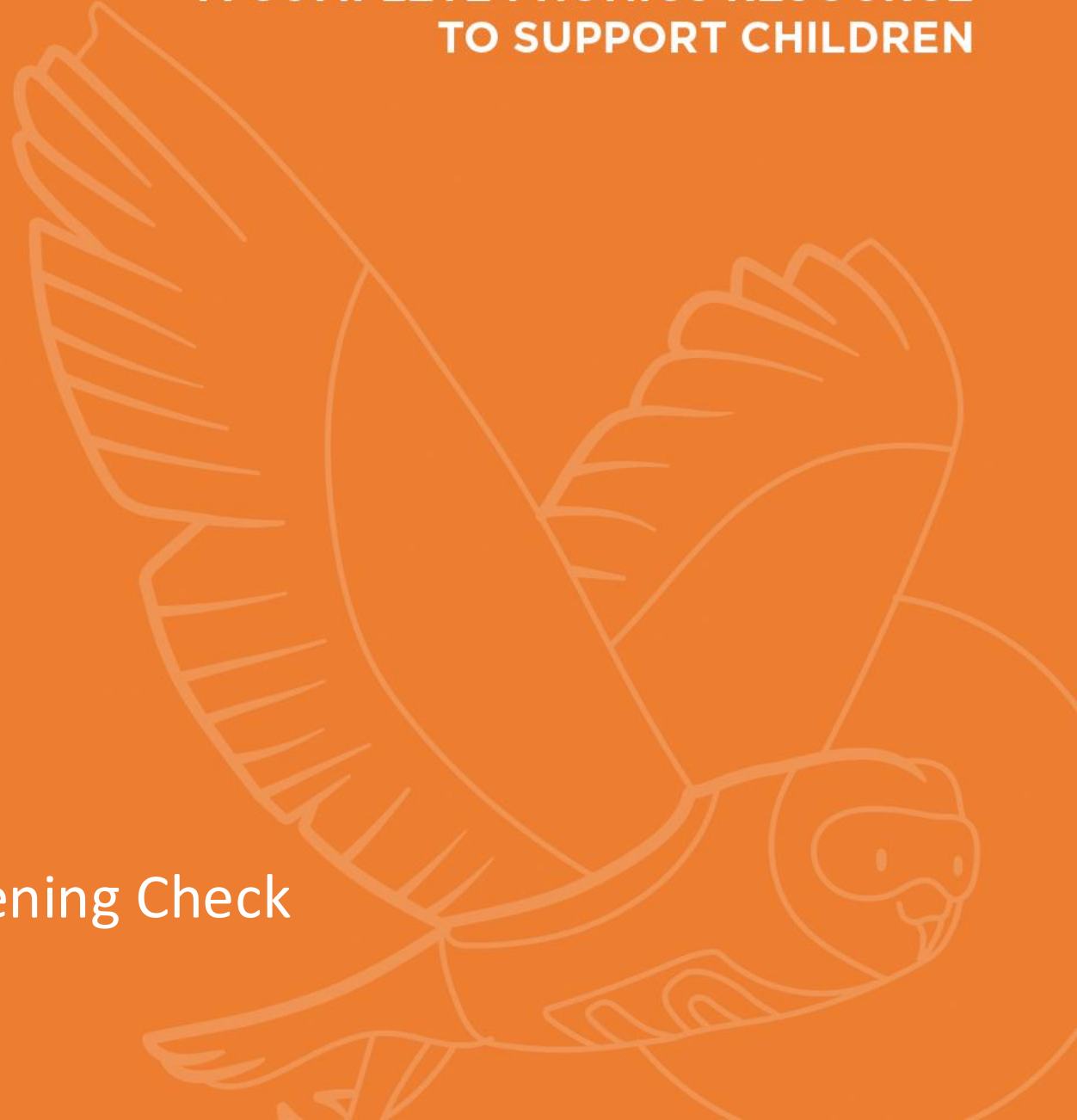




A COMPLETE PHONICS RESOURCE
TO SUPPORT CHILDREN

**Teach reading:
change lives**

Parent workshop: Year 1 Phonics Screening Check





Phonics Screening Check

Wb 9th June 2025

What your child been taught so far

Your child has been taught most of Phase 5, they know:

- new graphemes for the Phase 2 and 3 sounds
- that the same grapheme can have alternative pronunciations.

The 'Grow the code' lessons support children with reading and spelling these alternative spellings.



How we teach Phase 5

Reading words

Children will be able to:

- blend independently
- blend in their heads with increasing fluency and confidence
- start to distinguish between different phonemes/graphemes.



This term we are preparing for the Phonics Screening Check

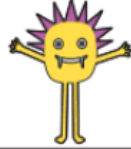





What is the Phonics Screening Check?

- It is a quick check of your child's phonics knowledge.
- It is **not** designed to create any stress or anxiety for your child.
- It assesses decoding skills using phonics.
- It consists of 40 words (20 real words, 20 'alien words').

If children do not achieve the required score in Year 1, they will retake the screening at the end of Year 2.

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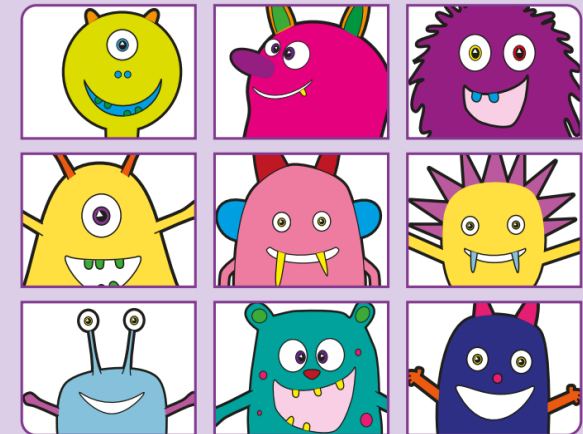
- Your child will sit with a member of staff that they know. (Mrs Owen or Class Teacher)
- They will be asked to read 40 words aloud.
- This takes just a few minutes to complete, but there is no time limit.
- If your child is struggling, the teacher will stop.
- It has been carefully designed not to be stressful for your child.

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Phonics screening check

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What are 'alien words'?



Why we teach alien words
for Phonics Screening Check



A quick guide to alien words

'Alien words' recap



- The check will contain 20 'alien words'.
- The children will be familiar with alien words and will start to read them this term.
- Alien words assess children's decoding skills and are used in lessons for the purpose of preparing for the Phonics Screening Check **only**.
- Children cannot read these words by using their memory or known vocabulary, so they have to use their decoding skills. This is a fair way to assess their ability to decode.
- The Phonics Screening Check will be administered in June.

Supporting your child with phonics



Videos



Phase 2 sounds taught in Reception Autumn 1



Phase 2 sounds taught in Reception Autumn 2



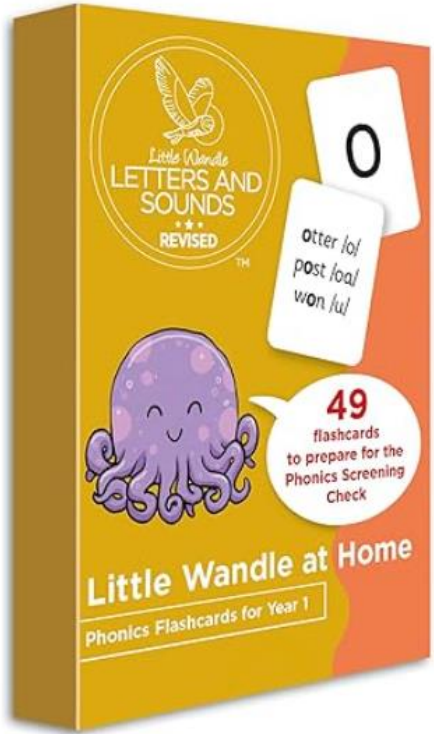
Phase 3 sounds taught in Reception Spring 1



How to say Phase 5 sounds



Little Wandle Home Resources



Little Wandle at Home Phonics Flashcards for Year 1: Phase 5 (Big Cat Phonics for Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised) Cards – 12 Sept. 2022

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How can you help at home?

- Look at the **flashcards** together-play some games with them.
- Watch phonics videos –**Mr Thorne/Geraldine the Giraffe**
- Phonics websites and apps-**Phonicsplay (phase 5)**
- Encourage children to sound out words
- Go on a digraph/trigraph hunt (in books/on packaging etc)
- Most importantly-**READ AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE**

How can I help my child at home?



- Practise reading a mix of real and 'alien' words using the practice sheets sent home today.

- Generate own wordlists
<https://www.phonicswordlist.com/>

- Play games
[phonicsplay.co.uk](https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk)



A screenshot of the 'Phonics Word List Generator' website. The browser address bar shows 'https://www.phonicswordlist.com'. The page has a navigation menu with 'Instructions', 'Blog', 'Contact', 'TPT', and 'Math'. The main heading is 'Phonics Word List Generator!'. There are input fields for 'Word list title:' and 'Number of words:'. Below this is a section for 'STEP 1: Select which phonics features to include. (required!)'. It has two columns: 'Real words' and 'Nonsense words'. The features listed are: CVC (ex: cat, rag, bed), Digraph (ex: chat, ship, neck), Consonant blend (ex: blot, self, twist), R-controlled vowels (ex: car, firm, fork), Silent E (ex: jade, dime, bone), and Vowel teams (ex: aim, food, sour). Each feature has a checkbox in both columns. On the left side of the page, there is a sidebar with 'Word List Generator', 'Decodable Texts', and 'Pre-Made Word Lists' (CVC Word Lists, Digraph Word Lists, Silent E Word Lists).



PhonicsPlay

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Phase 5a Interactive Resources - Weeks 1-4

A resource card for 'Buried Treasure'. It features an illustration of a treasure chest and a pirate. The text says 'Buried Treasure' and 'Good for: Practising blending'. There is a 'Teaching Ideas' button.

A resource card for 'Dragons Den'. It features an illustration of two dragons. The text says 'DRAGON'S DEN' and 'Good for: Practising blending'. There is a 'Teaching Ideas' button.

A resource card for 'Picnic on Pluto'. It features an illustration of a picnic basket and a blue alien. The text says 'PICNIC on PLUTO' and 'Good for: Practising blending'. There is a 'Teaching Ideas' button.



**Children are made readers
on the laps of their parents.**

— Emilie Buchwald

