



Phonics Support for Parents/Carers

Upper case letters	Lower case letters	Vowels	Consonants
Capital letters, used at the start of sentences, names	Shorter and smaller versions of upper case letters.	aeiou	bcdfghjklmn
(people, places) days, months and seasons.			pqrstvwxyz
Phonemes	Graphemes	Digraph	Trigraph
distinct units of sound	Letters used to represent the phoneme	A sound made up of two letters	A sound made up of three letters
GPC – Grapheme Phoneme Correspondence		sh er	igh air
Blending	Segmenting	Vowel diagraph	Pseudo words
Say it fast Building words for reading by pushing together all the	<i>Break it down</i> Splitting up words for spelling by breaking up words into all	A two-letter vowel sound	Words that can be decoded but are not real words
phonemes in the word. c - a - t = cat	their phonemes and then working out what graphemes are need to represent each	ai ee oa	zeep
c - a - c - cac	phoneme		
	dog = d - o - g		
Syllable	Red words	High Frequency words	CVC word
A unit of pronunciation within a word.	Common exception words that cannot be sounded out.	Words that appear very often,	Word made of a consonant, vowel, consonant
cake = 1 syllable wa ter = 2 syllables lem on ade = 3 syllables	was said	and	pig