

Read, Write Inc Spelling



Spelling

‘English has, probably, the richest vocabulary in the world, with so many words that have similar meanings... However... The most complex alphabetic language in the world.

English has many ways of writing each sound because we have more speech sounds and have inherited so many spellings from different languages. This makes the code so much harder to learn. For example, **we write the sound ‘ay’ at least 8 ways: play, rain, make, eight, straight, reign, rein, break.’**



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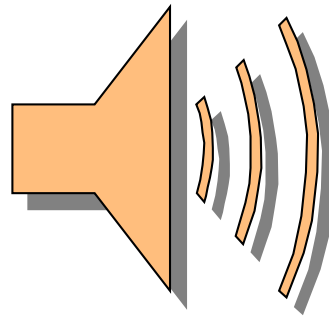
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Sounds

All words are made up of sounds

In English there are 44



Graphemes

A grapheme is a sound written down

English has more than 150 graphemes

A complex code!

Chart

- This chart shows the most usual graphemes for the 44 sounds

The complex English alphabetic code

Consonants: stretch

f	l	m	n	r	s	v	z	sh	th	ng
ff	ll	mm	nn	rr	ss	ve	zz	ti		nk
ph	le	mb	kn	wr	se		s	ci		
					c					
					ce					

Consonants: bounce

b	c	d	g	h	j	p	qu	t	w	x	y	ch
bb	k	dd	gg		g	pp		tt	wh			tch
	ck				ge							
	ch											

Vowels

a	e	i	o	u	ay	ee	igh	ow
	ea				ā-e	y	ī-e	ō-e
					ai	ea	ie	oa
						e	i	o

oo	oo	ar	or	air	ir	ou	oy	ire	ear	ure
ū-e			oor	are	ur	ow	oi			
ue			ore		er					
ew			aw							
			au							

Children learn a simple code first

Simple Speed Sounds chart

Consonants: stretchy

f	l	m	n	r	s	v	z	sh	th	ng
										nk

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	k											

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a	e	i	o	u	ay	ee	igh	ow
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oo	oo	ar	or	air	ir	ou	oy
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If English had a simple code...

...spelling and reading would be much
easier!

play mayk trayn cafay strayt wayt brayk

green dreem kee hee happee

light kight fligh lgh igh tigh

blow smowk flowt gow mowst

moon broot bloo groo

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c-a-t

- ch-a-t
- l-igh-t
- c-r-a-sh

How can you help your child?

By...

- using pure sounds
- knowing the graphemes
- understanding how 'Fred' helps with reading and spelling



And...

- By having fun with Fred Talk at home!

“What a tidy r-oo-m!”

“Where’s your c-oa-t?”

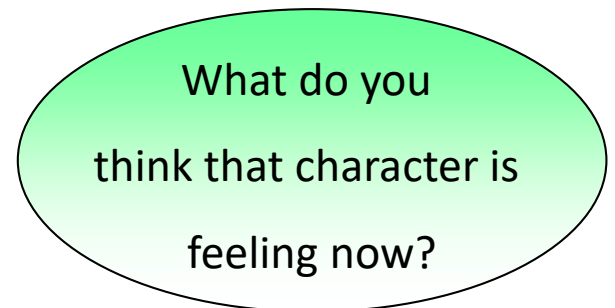
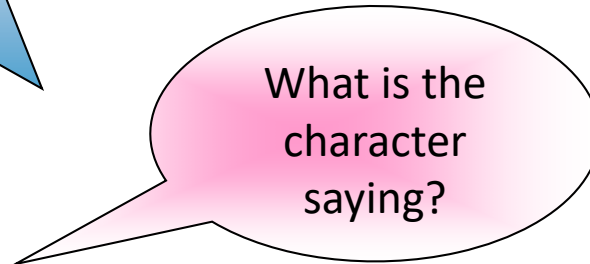
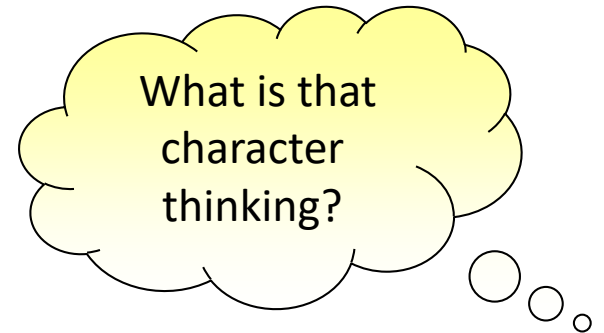
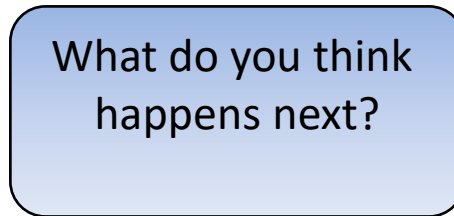
“Time for b-e-d!”

*back, head, tum, leg, hand, foot, knee
coat, hat, scarf, zip, sock, glove
run, walk, skip, hop, fast, slow, stop, shop
red, blue, green, black,
knife, fork, spoon, plate, bowl, pan
bread, cheese, meat, soup, jam, cake*

And...

- By **reading** your child lots of lovely stories and asking lots of questions!

Use these prompts to help you:



And...

By **talking** to your child as much as possible and
'feeding' them new and different words:

“Let’s **eat** our lunch now.”

“Let’s **munch** our lunch now.”

“Let’s **scoff** our lunch now.”

“Let’s **devour** our lunch now!”

You’re looking ... not just... but...

I’m not just... I’m....!

And...

- By enriching conversations through description:

“Look at that rain. It looks like little diamonds sparkling on the window pane!”

- By having fun with words and language.

“I’m as hot as a spud in a cooking pot!”

- By praising your child for using new words or interesting phrases

Spelling: The alphabetic code

- 44 speech sounds
- Every word made up to speech sounds that are spoken so quickly we hardly notice them
- When you spell a word, you are writing down these speech sounds:
- SPELLING CHART
- 44 sounds spelled with 1,2 or 3 letters:
GRAPHEME
- STRETCHED SOUNDS (fff, shhhhh) and BOUNCED SOUNDS (b, c)
- Vowel sounds
- <https://global.oup.com/education/content/primary/series/rwi/?region=uk>
- Helpful information for parents / Free support and resources
- Phonemes Pronunciation video (5 mins)



Dot, dash and count

- Draw a dot for a speech sound written with a one letter grapheme (e, g, bad)
- Draw a dash for a sound written with a two letter grapheme (thing)
- Draw a link (or a smile) to indicate a split grapheme (make)
- Add dots, dashes and links

bad grunt thing press

splash make brute read brown



Quality Phonics lesson



<http://www.ruthmiskintraining.com/teacher-support/video/index.html>