

The letter a makes the “a” sound as in apple.

The letter e makes the “e” sound as in elephant.

The letter i makes the “i” sound as in indian.

The letter o makes the “o” sound as in ostrich.

The letter u makes the “u” sound as in umbrella.

REVIEW of the Vowels—practice going over the short vowel sounds with your child. Practice until you know them all.

a e i o u

e o a u i

i o u u a

e e a i o

Practice the vowel sounds

a e i o u

e o a u i

i o u u a

e e a i o

We will begin with the “s” blend. Have your child read it to you. Assure them that they do not make words only sounds and it sounds silly sometimes.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | s-a | sa |
| e | s-e | se |
| i | s-i | si |
| o | s-o | so |
| u | s-u | su |

su so si se sa
se su so sa si

Do the “m” sound. Remember we are not reading words only blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | m-a | ma |
| e | m-e | me |
| i | m-i | mi |
| o | m-o | mo |
| u | m-u | mu |

Ma me mi mo mu

Se si sa su so

.Read the “n” sound. Keep practicing this until your child knows this sound well.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | n-a | na |
| e | n-e | ne |
| i | n-i | ni |
| o | n-o | no |
| u | n-u | nu |

Na ni ne no nu
Su se sa mi mo

Say the “r” blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | r-a | ra |
| e | r-e | re |
| i | r-i | ri |
| o | r-o | ro |
| u | r-u | ru |

ra re ri ro ru

ni mu se na si

ra ra-n ran

Say the "l" blends

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | l-a | la |
| e | l-e | le |
| i | l-i | li |
| o | l-o | lo |
| u | l-u | lu |

la

le

li

lu

lo

ni

se

ra

mu

no

mo

mo-m

mom

Practice the “f” blends

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | f-a | fa |
| e | f-e | fe |
| i | f-i | fi |
| o | f-o | fo |
| u | f-u | fu |

fa fe fo fi fu
ru se lo ni mo
fu fu-n fun

Say the "h" blends

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | h-a | ha |
| e | h-e | he |
| i | h-i | hi |
| o | h-o | ho |
| u | h-u | hu |

hi ha he ho hu
ra fe mu si no
hi hi-m him

Practice learning the “d” blends

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | d-a | da |
| e | d-e | de |
| i | d-i | di |
| o | d-o | do |
| u | d-u | du |

da di do de du
ne mi ho su ra
da da-d dad

Practice the “b” blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | b-a | ba |
| e | b-e | be |
| i | b-i | bi |
| o | b-o | bo |
| u | b-u | bu |

Bo ba bi bu be

Du ne mi su fa

Bu bu-n bun

Let's learn the "p" blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | p-a | pa |
| e | p-e | pe |
| i | p-i | pi |
| o | p-o | po |
| u | p-u | pu |

pu po pi pa pe
mu bi ha fe ra
pe pe-n pen

Learn about “j” blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | j-a | ja |
| e | j-e | je |
| i | j-i | ji |
| o | j-o | jo |
| u | j-u | ju |

Ju jo ji ja je

Te bu da mi so

Ja ja-m jam

Let's learn the letter "g" blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | g-a | ga |
| e | g-e | ge |
| i | g-i | gi |
| o | g-o | go |
| u | g-u | gu |

go gu ge ga gi
gu go ga ge gi
ga ga-s gas

Let's learn the "v" blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | v-a | va |
| e | v-e | ve |
| i | v-i | vi |
| o | v-o | vo |
| u | v-u | vu |

vu vo vi va ve

li fa je go se

si

va va-n van

Let's learn the letter "t" sounds.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | t-a | ta |
| e | t-e | te |
| i | t-i | ti |
| o | t-o | to |
| u | t-u | tu |

Tu ti ta to te

Bi da nu ho mi

Ti ti-n tin

Let's learn the "w" blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | w-a | wa |
| e | w-e | we |
| i | w-i | wi |
| o | w-o | wo |
| u | w-u | wu |

wu wa wi we wo

ga gi sa ba bo mi

wa wa-g wag

Let's learn the "y" sound.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | y-a | ya |
| e | y-e | ye |
| i | y-i | yi |
| o | y-o | yo |
| u | y-u | yu |

yu yo ya yi ye

wi pa gu de si ma

ya ya-m yam

Let's learn the "z" blends.

| | | |
|---|-----|----|
| a | z-a | za |
| e | z-e | ze |
| i | z-i | zi |
| o | z-o | zo |
| u | z-u | zu |

zu zi za ze zo

gi va su pe ni

mi

za za-p zap

Practice “s and j” blends. Read across the page.

a s-a sa sa-t sat

e s-e se se-t set

i s-i si si-p sip

o s-o so so-b sob

u s-u su su-n sun

sis sat sun set

a j-a ja ja-m jam

e j-e je je-t jet

i j-i ji Ji-m Jim

o j-o jo jo-g jog

u j-u ju ju-g jug

Jim jog jam jet

Let's practice s,f,r,h blend

Ss

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| sa | sa-d | sad |
| se | se-t | set |
| si | si-t | sit |
| so | so-b | sob |
| su | su-n | sun |

ff

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| fa | fa-d | fad |
| fe | fe-d | fed |
| fi | fi-n | fin |
| fo | fo-p | fop |
| fu | fu-n | fun |

Rr

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| ra | ra-p | rap |
| re | re-d | red |
| ri | ri-b | rib |
| ro | ro-t | rot |
| ru | ru-g | rug |

hh

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| ha | ha-t | hat |
| he | he-n | hen |
| hi | hi-t | hit |
| ho | ho-t | hot |
| hu | hu-g | hug |

Let's work on "m, n, d, b" blends.

Mm

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| ma | ma-n | man |
| me | me-t | met |
| mi | mi-d | mid |
| mo | mo-p | mop |
| mu | mu-g | mug |

Nn

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| na | na-g | nag |
| ne | ne-t | net |
| ni | ni-p | nip |
| no | no-d | nod |
| nu | nu-t | nut |

Dd

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| da | da-d | dad |
| de | de-n | den |
| di | di-g | dig |
| do | do-t | dot |
| du | d-d | dud |

Bb

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| ba | ba-d | bad |
| be | be-t | bet |
| bi | bi-g | big |
| bo | bo-p | bop |
| bu | bu-n | bun |

Let's work on "t,p, g, j" blends

Tt

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| ta | ta-p | tap |
| te | te-n | ten |
| ti | ti-n | tin |
| to | to-p | top |
| tu | tu-g | tug |

Pp

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| pa | pa-t | pat |
| pe | pe-t | pet |
| pi | pi-n | pin |
| po | po-t | pot |
| pu | pu-n | pun |

Gg

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| ga | ga-p | gap |
| ge | ge-t | get |
| gi | gi-g | gig |
| go | go-t | got |
| gu | gu-m | gum |

Jj

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| ja | ja-m | jam |
| je | je-t | jet |
| ji | Ji-m | Jim |
| jo | jo-g | jog |
| ju | ju-g | jug |

Let's practice l, v, w, y blends

Ll

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| la | la-p | lap |
| le | le-g | leg |
| li | li-p | lip |
| lo | lo-t | lot |
| lu | lu-g | lug |

Ww

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| wa | wa-g | wag |
| we | we-t | wet |
| wi | wi-g | wig |

Vv

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| va | va-n | van |
| ve | ve-t | vet |

Yy

| | | |
|----|------|-----|
| ya | ya-m | yam |
| ye | ye-t | yet |
| yu | yu-m | yum |

Let's practice reading words. Stick with this today until they know it.

On this page you are going to practice reading the words down the list as quickly as you can. They are grouped with similar words to make it easier. Practice this page over and over until you can become very quick at this.

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| dad | bet | bin | hop | bug |
| had | get | din | mop | hug |
| mad | met | fin | top | dug |
| sad | pet | win | lop | mug |
| fad | let | kin | bop | |
| rad | set | | | |
| | | did | nod | fun |
| bag | bed | hid | rod | bun |
| nag | fed | rid | sod | sun |
| tag | red | lid | pod | run |
| sag | led | | | |
| | | nip | cot | hut |
| lap | beg | rip | dot | but |
| nap | leg | tip | hot | gut |
| map | peg | sip | not | nut |
| gap | Meg | lip | lot | |
| tap | | | | |
| sap | | | | |

Reading list 2. Practice until your child knows it well.

On this page you are going to practice reading the words down the list as quickly as you can. They are grouped with similar words to make it easier. Practice this page over and over until you can become very quick at this.

| | | | | |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| bat | den | big | gum | ham |
| fat | hen | dig | hum | jam |
| hat | men | pig | sum | Pam |
| sat | pen | wig | | Sam |
| mat | ten | rig | ban | yam |
| rat | | fig | fan | |
| Pat | | | ran | bit |
| | jug | him | pan | fit |
| dip | lug | Jim | man | hit |
| hip | pug | dim | | sit |
| lip | rug | rim | | pit |
| zip | tug | Tim | | lit |
| tip | | | | |

In this lesson you will be learning the word "I," "a," and "an." You simply say the letter for the word "I" and the word "a". Let's try it with some simple sentences.

I get.
I get wet.

I win.
I win a van.

I bet.
I bet Dad.

I pop.
I pop a bag.

I sip.
I sip pop.

I dug.
I dug an ant.

I had.
I had fun.

I pet.
I pet a pig.

I got.
I got jam.

I ran.
I ran a bit.

I hug.
I hug Mom.

I sit.
I sit a lot.

Teach your child that sentences begin with a capital letter and end with a period, question mark, or exclamation mark. Show them what that looks like.

Reading simple sentences

| | | |
|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| hug | pup | I hug a pup. |
| wet | pup | I hug a wet pup. |
| big | pup | I hug a big, wet pup! |

| | | |
|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| fed | pig | I fed a pig. |
| fat | pig | I fed a fat pig. |
| big | pig | I fed a big, fat pig. |

| | | |
|-----|-----|----------------------------|
| jog | bit | I jog a bit. |
| hop | lop | I hop a lot. |
| | | I jog a bit and hop a lot! |

| | | |
|-----|-----|----------------------------|
| mop | bit | I mop a bit. |
| run | lot | I run a lot. |
| | | I mop a bit and run a lot! |

Do ck words

The "k" sound at the end of a short vowel single syllable word is usually spelled "ck."

| | | | |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| so-ck | sock | sa-ck | sack |
| ti-ck | tick | to-ck | tock |
| du-ck | duck | su-ck | suck |
| ri-ck | rick | si-ck | sick |
| pi-ck | pick | Ni-ck | Nick |
| ja-ck | jack | pa-ck | pack |
| ra-ck | rack | ro-ck | rock |

Practice these words until they are comfortable with them.

Rack jack back sack hack lack

Deck beck peck neck peck
 deck

Picksick lick tick Nick kick

Rock sock dock lock jock

Suck duck tuck muck luck duck

review ck

nick cup I nick a hot cup.

lack sock I lack a red sock.

duck peck A duck can peck.

Ken back Ken is back in bed.

pack sack I can pack a big sack.

kiss sick I kiss a sad, sick cat.

Jack back Jack had a back deck.

kick rock I can kick a big rock.

There are 4 words here that the “s” sounds like “z”. The words are “is” “his” “as” and “has”.. Make the zzzzz sound not an ssss sound.

is

his

is

is mad

his bed

jet is

is mad as

his bed has

his jet is

as

has

as

as hot

pup has

bad as

as hot as

his pup has

as bad as

Let's try some four letter words

ru run run-t runt

he hel hel-d held

te ten ten-t tent

run-t Ben has a runt pet pig.

hel-d Ben held his pet pig, Gus.

ten-t Gus is as fat as a big tent!

ro rom rom-p romp

ju jum jum-p jump

re res res-t rest

rom-p Ben and Gus romp.

jum-p Ben and Gus run and jump.

fas-t Ben runs fast but Gus puffs a lot!

read across the page

sa
se
si
so
su
sa
se

sap
set
sip
sop
sum
san
sen

sand
send

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len
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lof
lum
limp

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lend
list
loft
lump
limp

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mid
mop
mud
mis
mil

mist
milk

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fi
fo
fu
fe

fas
fen
fis
fon
fun
fel

fast
fend
fist
fond
fund
felt

| | | |
|----|-----|------|
| ba | ban | band |
| be | ben | bend |
| bo | bon | bond |
| bu | bus | bust |
| be | bes | best |

| | | |
|----|-----|------|
| ra | ram | ramp |
| re | res | rest |
| ri | rif | rift |
| ro | rom | romp |
| ru | rus | rust |

| | | |
|----|-----|------|
| da | dam | damp |
| de | des | desk |
| di | dis | disk |
| du | dum | dump |
| de | den | dent |

| | | |
|----|-----|------|
| ha | han | hand |
| he | hel | held |
| hi | hin | hint |
| hu | hun | hunt |
| hu | hus | husk |

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|------|----|-----|------|
| ga | gas | gasp | ta | tas | task |
| gu | gul | gulp | te | ten | tent |
| gu | gus | gust | tu | tus | tusk |
| pe | pes | pest | ki | kil | kilt |
| pu | pum | pump | ke | kep | kept |
| pe | pen | pent | ke | kel | kelp |
| ju | jus | just | we | wep | wept |
| ju | jum | jump | wi | wim | wimp |
| je | jes | jest | wi | win | wind |

Ben and Gus jump on land.
 Gus the pig is as fat as a big tent.
 Ben jogs and Gus pants.

Us

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|------|----|-----|------|
| ca | cam | camp | fe | fen | fend |
| du | dum | dump | ha | han | rand |
| ro | rom | romp | re | ren | rend |
| li | lim | limp | be | ben | bend |
| ju | jum | jump | me | men | mend |
| ru | rus | rust | le | lef | left |
| be | bes | best | ra | raf | raft |
| mi | mis | mist | li | lif | lift |
| la | las | last | tu | tuf | tuft |
| ju | jus | just | gi | gif | gift |

Ben left Gus on his raft.

Ben fed Gus ham, jam, ants, figs, gum, and milk.

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|------|----|-----|------|
| De | Den | Dent | Si | Si1 | Silk |
| Re | Ren | Rent | Mi | Mi1 | Milk |
| Mi | Min | Mint | Hu | Hu1 | Hulk |
| Ra | Ran | Rant | Bu | Bu1 | Bulk |
| Le | Len | Lent | | | |

| | | | | | |
|----|-----|------|----|-----|------|
| Fe | Fe1 | Felt | Gi | Gi1 | Gild |
| Be | Be1 | Belt | We | We1 | Weld |
| Me | Me1 | Melt | He | He1 | Held |
| ki | ki1 | Kilt | Me | Me1 | meld |

Ben jumps in his hot tub.
Gus went in his hot tub as well.
Ben felt mad.
Gus is just a pet pig.
Pigs can not jump in hot tubs!

| | | | |
|-----|------|-----|------|
| Gu1 | Gu1f | | |
| Se1 | Se1f | Tas | Task |
| | | Bas | Bask |
| Kep | Kept | Tus | Tusk |
| Rap | Rapt | | |
| Wep | Wept | Lis | Lisp |
| Kep | Kept | Gas | Gasp |
| | | Ras | Rasp |
| He1 | Help | Wis | Wisp |
| Gu1 | Gu1p | | |
| Ke1 | Ke1p | | |

| | | | |
|------|------|------|------|
| damp | mint | lift | sent |
| ramp | hint | sift | bent |
| camp | lint | gift | lent |
| lamp | tint | rift | dent |
| | | | went |
| help | rest | mask | rent |
| yelp | test | task | tent |
| help | best | | |
| | vest | pump | wept |
| felt | west | lump | kept |
| belt | lest | bump | |
| pelt | nest | jump | bust |
| welt | pest | dump | dust |
| melt | | hump | must |
| | send | | rust |
| fast | tend | list | just |
| mast | mend | fist | |
| past | lend | mist | tilt |
| last | bend | | wilt |
| vast | fend | dusk | |
| pant | weld | tusk | pulp |
| rant | held | | gulp |

And
dust
hand
rust
sand
milk

And-y
dust-y
hand-y
rust-y
sand-y
milk-y

Andy
dust
handy
rusty
sandy
milky

dusty and rusty
handy and dandy
silky and milky
Andy is sandy
ducky is lucky
hulky and bulky

jumpy and bumpy
candy is dandy
lumpy is dumpy
husky is dusky
Dolly is jolly
pesty and testy

Ben felt jumpy and sick
Ben has a pesty bug.
Ben rests on his bumpy bed.
Gus hid in Ben's bed.
Gus is a fat, lumpy bump in Ben's bed!

On this page, "y" is added to three-letter words, with only one consonant at the end so we must double this consonant to keep the short vowel sound.

| | | |
|-----|---------|-------|
| run | run-n-y | runny |
| pen | pen-n-y | penny |
| sun | sun-n-y | sunny |
| Dan | Dan-n-y | Danny |
| fun | fun-n-y | funny |
| bun | bun-n-y | bunny |

kitty is bitty

Buzzy is fuzzy

Jenny has penny

sunny and runny

Bobby has hobby

Kenny and Benny

bunny is funny

paddy is daddy

buddy is muddy

Danny has nanny

puppy and guppy

Kimmy and jimmy

Jimmy has a fuzzy bunny.

Jimmy's bunny is Sammy.

Fuzzy Sammy fell in a misty pond.

Funny Sammy is muddy and wet!

When a short vowel in a one-syllable word is followed by a final "l", "f", "s", or "z" we usually double the letters in order to keep the short-vowel sound. Tip to help in spelling.

| | | |
|------|------|------|
| tell | Biff | sass |
| fell | jiff | Bess |
| well | tiff | mess |
| sell | miff | Tess |
| | | hiss |
| will | buff | kiss |
| hill | puff | miss |
| fill | huff | fuss |
| dill | muff | |
| | | jazz |
| | bass | buzz |
| doll | Cass | fuzz |
| loll | lass | fizz |
| bell | mass | |
| dell | | |

| | | | |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| ba-sh | bash | ra-sh | rash |
| ma-sh | mash | sa-sh | sash |
| da-sh | dash | ga-sh | gash |
| ha-sh | hash | la-sh | lash |
| fi-sh | fish | di-sh | dish |
| wi-sh | wish | gu-sh | gush |
| hu-sh | hush | ru-sh | rush |
| ca-sh | cash | po-sh | posh |
| sh-ip | ship | sh-op | shop |

pa-th path

ba-th bath

ha-th hath

Se-th Seth

wi-th with

ma-th math

pi-th pith

Be-th Beth

REVIEW sh and th

read across

thin fish

with cash

dash shop

Beth wish

posh bath

Beth math

dash path

Seth wish

rush path

bath gush

fish mushy

rush hush

When this digraph follows a
consonant it is spelled -ch

| | | | |
|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| pun-ch | punch | lun-ch | lunch |
| ran-ch | ranch | ben-ch | bench |
| pin-ch | pinch | bun-ch | bunch |

When this digraph follows a
vowel it is spelled -tch

| | | | |
|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| pi-tch | pitch | pa-tch | patch |
| ca-tch | catch | re-tch | retch |
| no-tch | notch | fe-tch | fetch |
| la-tch | latch | ma-tch | match |

Here are some exceptions to
the rule:

rich

such

much

-ing

s-ing sing

p-ing ping

d-ing ding

p-ing ping

k-ing king

w-ing wing

-ang

b-ang bang

r-ang rang

g-ang gang

h-ang hang

s-ang sang

-ung

r-ung rung

h-ung hung

s-ung sung

-ong

s-ong song

l-ong long

fish-ing fishing
sing-ing singing
rush-ing rushing
gasp-ing gasping

help-ing helping
limp-ing limping
send-ing sending
bash-ing bashing

READ DOWN

patching
matching
packing
sacking
jumping
bumping
sending
bending
ringing
singing
helping
yelping

-ink

s-ink sink

r-ink rink

l-ink link

p-ink pink

m-ink mink

-unk

s-unk sunk

d-unk dunk

b-unk bunk

-ank

s-ank sank

r-ank rank

y-ank yank

t-ank tank

Up to this point we have been learning about short vowel sounds. Now we are going to learn about long vowel sounds.

Long vowel sounds are easy, because the vowel just says its name.

The way we usually make a vowel say its name is by adding the letter "e" to the end of the three letter word. The "e" we add stays silent but it changes the short vowel sound to a long vowel sound.

I remember saying the rule for vowels:

The first one does the talking and the second one does the walking.

Over the next lessons we will be learning about long vowels.

Read down each set of words. Long Aa

can

fat

Notice how the
"ck" endings
change to just
"k" when "e" is
added

cane

fate

hat

tap

hate

tape

tack

lack

take

lake

cap

gap

cape

gape

Jack

tack

Jake

take

mad

man

made

mane

rack

sack

rake

sake

pan

jan

pane

jane

back

bake

Long Aa Review

bake cake

safe gate

late date

take game

same lake

made cape

mate wave

ate cake

best sale

lock gate

wish cake

muddy lake

duck sale

fish sale

ranch gate

rich cake

Long i --read down the columns

rip

pin

ripe

pine

hid

bit

hide

bite

din

dim

dine

dime

rid

pin

ride

pine

kit

bit

kite

bite

Long li review

bug bite

ride bike

dive tide

fine lime

mile hike

pile fish

song time

cat bite

take bike

bumpy limes

yank vine

pile sand

duck bite

with bike

pick tide

sang hike

pile lunch

likejumping

Long Oo read down the list

hop

not

hope

note

cop

cod

cope

code

mop

rod

mope

rode

rob

tot

robe

tote

Long Oo review

big rope

yank bone

neck bone

long robe

pink robe

rode wave

poke bug

big joke

rode fast

hang rope

made joke

such bone

patch rope

fetch robe

There are two ways to say the long “u” sound.

These words say “yoo”

cut

us

cute

use

cub

cube

These words say “oo”

tub

duck

tube

duke

Long U review

cute June

use tube

pure cube

cure Luke

pure tune

Duke rude

cute mule

June rude

There are several ways to spell the long “e” sound besides just adding and “e” to the end of the short vowel sounds.

Ee and ea are actually vowel digraphs. Which are 2 letters with only one sound. For example.

Here Eve Pete

When you have 2 e’s it makes it long “e” sound.

see seek seen seed

fee feet feed feel

wee weep weed week

bee beet beef beep

These words make the long “e” sound when spelled with ea.

sea seat seam

eat east each

tea team teach

bea beat bead beam

lea leaf leap leak

rea read real rear

When a 2 letter word ends in “e” it has a long sound.

me

be

he

we

she---is included counts as a digraph

feed me

be seen

he mean

she feeds

he seeks

be weak

Long e review

We feed each neat cat beef.

She is seen eating real meat.

He leaps on a peak near a beach.

She peeks and sees a big beast.

See Gus leap and eat each bee!

Feed me weak tea and a peach.

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