Phonics/Decoding
A Building Block for Literacy Development

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Phonemic Awareness

Phonics & Word Study

Vocabulary

Fluency

Comprehension
Phonological Awareness -> Phonics

Sound-Symbol Relationship

Sound Awareness /TH/  Symbol Awareness th

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Progression of Sounds

1 Letter = 1 Sound /S/ or a = short a sound

sat

2 Letters that hold their sound when together /st/

stop

2 Letters that make a new sound when together /ch/

chip
Fundations Hand Tapping

How To Tap Words

1 2 3
M A T

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Phonics Continuum

- Applying Sound-Symbol to read multisyllabic words

fan -> fan-tas-tic

- Identifying the syllable types within multisyllabic words

surprise -> sur-prise

- Applying phonics knowledge to sentences and text

fluency, expression -> comprehension
Supporting Your Child at Home

- **Talk about letters and sounds** - Help your child learn the names of the letters and the sounds the letters make. Turn it into a game! "I'm thinking of a letter and it makes the sound mmmmmm."

- **Grocery Store Game** - Choose a letter as you're walking into the store. Make a game of finding things in the store that start with that letter.

- **Trace and Say** - Have your child use a finger to trace a letter while saying the letter's sound. Your child can trace on paper, in sand, or on a plate of sugar. Next, see if your child can trace a simple two- or three-letter word (it, at, sat) and sound it out.

- **Syllable Division** - When reading longer words, have your child cut the word into syllables first.

Ex: back l pack  rab l bit  ro l bot
Q&A

Resources to support your child at home

- Reading Rockets Article with additional information: [https://www.readingrockets.org/teaching/reading-basics/phonics](https://www.readingrockets.org/teaching/reading-basics/phonics)
- Video that shows how to pronounce sounds: [https://youtu.be/A8sjxXSDRyl](https://youtu.be/A8sjxXSDRyl)
- Online websites for phonics practice:
  - Starfall.com
  - Kizphonics.com
  - Splashlearn.com
  - Phonicsboom.com