Dear Parent / Carer,

Below are the different sounds, their matching rhymes, examples of real words with each sound and examples of ‘alien’ words, similar to the ones that the children will be tested on in the Phonics Screening Check in June. To prepare them for this check, please make an effort to test your child on all the sounds each day. Then see if they are able to successfully decode and read the example real words and the alien words for each sound. You may wish to write this onto flash cards to make it easier for your child to practise.

Encourage them to spot the phonemes (sounds) in each real/alien word to help them to blend. When your child is confident, you can encourage them read a selection of the words in any random order!

When your child can read ALL the words and alien words provided here with ease, get them to think of other examples of real and ‘alien’ words with each sound. Add these to your own collection of flashcards and practise these for 5-10 minutes every day!

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| **Sounds** | **Examples of real words** | **Examples of pseudo ‘alien’ words** |
| **a** | applecattap | habvam |
| **b** | badbat | bazbav |
| **c** | catcupcan | cavcaznac |
| **d** | dogdimpod | dilpidfud |
| **e** | henletfedlemon | grefcedbepdem |
| **f** | iffixfond | vifkiffap |
| **ff** | puffscruffcliffstuff | cruffliffbruffhaff |
| **g** | gumgiftgasgot | gadganfkag |
| **h** | hamhandhen | haffhax |
| **i** | hitbittripbrick | hinpivdiz |
| **j** | jam jugjog | kajnijsuj |
| **k** | napkinkidkitten | KippidKrubKrist |
| **l** | leglooloft | pelsilnmilp |
| **ll** | fullmilliondrillstill | gellbilltsull |
| **m** | manjammagnetmushrooms | manetmelvmup |
| **n** | nestnutsneedle | nethneshtnuds |
| **o** | hotplopshop | Koscoxbnov |
| **p** | petclapplantsplums | tepDrapquap |
| **qu** | quiltquickquackquiz | quibquav |
| **r** | redrugrock | rilrapdremp |
| **s** | sithenssick | tegssaxpmavs |
| **ss** | MissKissdresses | VissBrissniss |
| **t** | tagstapcongrats | VamsTigs |
| **u** | cupssumumbrella | nustlusp |
| **v** | vetsvestvelvet | bevpivdelvet |
| **w** | wetwigwent | WepWipWeem |
| **x** | mixexitfoxesexcited | vixpixexip |
| **y** | yesyellyuck | yiptyedyix |
| **z** | zipzebrazoom | vezwizpbiz |
| **zz** | jazzfuzzfizz | luzzsuzzduzz |
| **ch** | checkdutchchoplunch | NuchDruchChimchan |
| **ck** | quackduckrocketchickenclock | weckdackgockfruck |
| **ng** | singingbringbangstring | dringfringfongstreng |
| **ph** | prophetgraphelephantdolphin | phonitralphaphream |
| **th** | thisbothwithsixth | wrethbrethnithdrith |
| **sh** | shipshelldishshelf | shimpshevshubshix |
| **wh** | whenwhisperwhipwheat | whedwhidwhiv |
| **Letter string:****Str** | StringStrongstreet | StrumpStredStrill |
| **Letter string:****scr** | ScrumScrapscratch | ScrakScraxScraf |
|  | **Examples of real words** | **Examples of pseudo ‘alien’ words** |
| **ay**may I play? | spr**ay**playholidaybirthdayMay | j**ay**mbaytconaylaypgotayl |
| **ee**what can you see? | sl**ee**pneedcreepingseedsfeel | l**ee**tgeepseegfeevtheeb |
| **igh**fly high | brightmighthighertights | dighlwighconightjight |
| **ow**blow the snow | showgrowknowthrow | fowkscrowdrowtdinowt |
| **oo**poo at the zoo | foodcoolspoonspooky | doogtoodsassoomwooz |
| **oo**look at a book | goodwoodlookshook | goopdoobyaboofnoov |
| **ar**start the car | hardscarmarktarget | quarpsargdonarttharg |
| **or**shut the door | sortingshortnorthordertorchforty | rorthdorgcorthysorfetlorp |
| ***Trigraph*****air**that’s not fair | lairfairypairstairsrepair | sairdairthairlzair |
| **ir**whirl and twirl | dirtythirstythirdgirlbird | hirgwirpquirlvirly |
| **ou**shout it out | foundmouthroundhouseoutsideoutrage | doutragenouthgoundoufsite |

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|  | **Examples of real words** | **Examples of alien words** |
| **ea**cup of tea | cleanscreamedmeatlead | feabneagdeampleab |
| **oi**spoil the boy | voicecoinnoisypoint | hoinwoildoifcanoiv |
| ***Split digraph*****a-e**make a cake | namehatetaleshape | dapelupadefanezame |
| ***Split Digraph*****i-e**nice smile | shinewhiteliketime | dilesigewhizenige |
| ***Split digraph*****o-e**phone home | spokebrokethronedose | fosewosecroseplose |
| ***Split digraph*****u-e**huge brute | confuseuseJunerudeexcusemule | guseduzeabudesupefubebuke |
| **aw**yawn at dawn | crawlyawnedhawkfawnawfulprawn | canawkawnwrawnquawnhawtpawz |
| ***Trigraph*****are**care and share | scaresquarebaredareaware | garedwarescrarestrare |
| **ur**nurse with a purse | burnedlurkturnslurppursehurl | gurfdurgvurlsurbnurp |
| **er**better letter | properweatherafternevercorner | reverrafterkanergersert |
| **ow**brown cow | nowbrowncrownshowerflowerpower | fowersprowergowzrowsbowt |
| **ai**snail in the rain | failagainexplainchain | haiktthailmaimsaipt |
| **oa**goat in a boat | floatapproachtoastfoamloath | hoampoaszoagconoadyoat |
| **ew**chew the stew | viewfewjewelnephew | lewtzewptephewkewel |
| ***Trigraph*****ire**fire fire! | admirewiretiredhired | gireconpirestronirenire |
| ***Trigraph*****ear**hear with your ear | fearnearspearyear | kearvearlydreartbearf |
| ***Trigraph*****ure**sure it’s pure | surepictureculturestructure | nuredurezurevure |
| **au**Laura, the daughter | launchdaughterfraudvault | jautbaugmault |
| **ue**blue glue | bluegluearguecontinuestatue | fluempluescruepcrued |
| ***Split digraph*****e-e**evening scene | deletethemeevecomplete | ClumpeteDrevePlene |
|  **ie**Lie for a pie | triedrepliedcriedtie | ziebiejiesie |
| **oe**There goes my toe | toespotatoestomatoesfoegoes | KoeStroevargoesvoes |

If you have any further questions, please don’t hesitate to ask your class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year 1 Team