

Distribution of Graphemes

Levels	Graphemes included in Phonics Resources and Stories for Older Learners and The Drop-In Series	Graphemes in the Post-16 Phonics Toolkit
Levels 1 and 2 (Forward with Phonics) Basic Code (Post-16 Tool Kit)	Short vowels, b, c, d, f/ff, g, h, j, k, l/ll, m, n. p, r, s/ss, t, v, w, x, y, z/zz	Same plus qu and ng
Level 3 (Forward with Phonics) Basic Code Plus (Post-16 Tool Kit)	ck, ch, sh, th, qu, ng, wh	Same minus qu, ng and wh Plus: long vowels as in <u>ta</u> ble, <u>h</u> e, <u>fi</u> nd, <u>so</u> , <u>u</u> nit ay, oy, le, y, er, ing, ed, bb, dd, gg, mm, nn, pp, rr, tt Split digraphs: <u>mi</u> stake, <u>P</u> ete, <u>bi</u> ke, <u>al</u> one, <u>mu</u> te
Level 4 (Forward with Phonics) One-to-Many (Post-16 Tool Kit)	Vowel Sounds:	
	/ae/ - ay, a-e, a, ai, ea, ey, eigh	Same plus ei (vein), aigh (straight)
	/ee/ - ee, e, ea, y, e-e, ie, ei, i	“ ay (quay), eo (people)
	/oe/ - oe/ o, o-e, ow, oa	“ ou (soul), ough (though), eau (bureau)
	/er/ - er, ir, or, ur, ear, our, re, ar	“ ire (Cheshire)
	/e/ - e, ea, ai, a, u (bury), ie (friend)	“ ay (says), excluding u (bury)
	/ow/ - ou, ow	“ ough (plough)
	/oo/ - oo, u, u-e, o, ew, ou, ue, ui, ough, oe (shoe)	“ wo (two)
	/ie/ - igh, ie, i-e, l, y	“ eigh (height), eye
	/oo/ - oo, u, oul	“ o (woman)
	/or/ - or, aw, au, al, ore, oar, our, ough, a, ar, augh, oor	Same excluding oor (door)
	/air/ - air, are, ear, ere, eir	Same
	/ar/ - ar, a, al, au	Same plus ear (heart), are (are), excluding al (calm)
	Plus the following included in ‘additional teaching points’:	
	/i/ - y (gym), u (busy)	Same plus o (woman), e (pretty), ui (build)
	/u/ - o (other), ou (young), oo (blood)	Same
	/ue/ - u (unit), u-e (use), ew (few), ue (cue)	Same plus iew (view), eu (feud), eau (beauty)
	/oi/ - oi (oil), oy (boy)	Same

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	Consonant Sounds:	
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	/ch/ - tch (catch)	Same
	/k/ - ch (school)	Same plus cc (occur), que (cheque), qu (mosquito)
	/f/ - ph (phone)	Same
	/j/ - g (gentle), ge (strange), dge (bridge)	Same
	/l/ - le (apple), al (hospital) il (pupil)	Same plus el (label), ol (symbol)
	/m/ - me (come), mn (autumn), mb (comb)	Same
	/n/ - kn (know), gn (sign)	Same plus nn (dinner), ne (imagine)
	/r/ - wr (write)	Same plus rr (hurry), rh (rhino), rrr (diarrhoea)
	/s/ - c (centre), ce (fence), se (horse), st (castle), sc (scene)	Same plus ps (psychic), sw (answer)
	/v/ - ve (have), f (of)	Same
	/z/ - s (his), se (please), ze (freeze)	Same