



# **Step Into Phonics**

Emerging Attention Sensory Awareness	Maintaining Attention Anticipation	Joint attention Interactions
Reacts to sounds e.g. startles	Attends to loud sounds e.g. stills	Attends to a human face
Responds to loud sounds e.g. briefly turns head	Attends to quiet sounds	Follows the movement of a person by moving
Responds to quiet sounds	Responds to everyday sounds	eyes or head
Reacts to being spoken to	Makes differentiated responses to sounds e.g.	Reacts briefly to the initiation of interaction
Responds to being spoken to	smiles when hears music or frowns when hears	Responds to the initiation of interaction e.g.
Reacts to being handled e.g. startles	crying etc	makes brief eye contact
Responds to being handled	Attempts to locate sounds e.g. may move eyes or	Responds to a smile
Reacts to the touch of objects	head	Responds to other facial expressions (sad,
Reacts to the touch of familiar objects (cup,	Follows a sound	puzzled, surprised etc)
spoon, brush)	Demonstrates attention when being spoken to	Attends to interaction with people
Makes a differentiate response to the touch of two	Attempts to locate source of voice – may move	Responds briefly to playful interactions by an
or more familiar objects	eyes or head	adult (variable attention or occasional anticipation
Reacts to the movement of a person	Locates source of voice	etc)
Glances at a human face	Responds to different tones of voice	Responds briefly to familiar playful interactions by
Reacts to the movement of an object	Makes different responses to different tones of	an adult
Glances at an object	voice	Differentiated responses to a range of playful
Responds to a single item or activity	Responds to different people's voices – will show	interactions e.g. may laugh, show surprise etc
Responds when own name is called e.g. stills or	a different response between a familiar or	Actively seeks attention
shows a change of expression	unfamiliar voice.	Repeats a behaviour which has just produced a
·	Will make differentiated responses between	response from an adult
	different people's voices	Makes a distinct movement to make contact with
	Demonstrates sustained attention when being	an interactive partner
	spoken to	Makes meaningful patterns of movement during
	Will respond differently to different styles of	interactions e.g. pushing away or reaching out
	handling e.g. rough and tumble play and gentle	Makes attempts to copy formal patterns of
	soothing.	movement (waving or song actions)
	Makes differentiated responses between different	Makes spontaneous use of formal patterns of
	kinds of touch. Stroking, tickling or patting etc	movement
	Attends to an object	Imitates an action or a sound
	Tracks an object by moving eyes or head	Imitates 2 -5 actions or sounds
	Responds to the sight of a familiar object	Imitates more than 5 actions or sounds
	Makes differentiated responses to the sight of up	Takes 1 turn following another person's lead
	to five objects	Continues turn taking sequence for more than
		one turn

Makes differentiated responses to the sight of more than five objects Attends to one item or activity and demonstrates a response e.g. positive or negative Attends to two items or activities Attends to more than two items or activities	Responds to communication partner by initiating the repeat of an activity Initiates turn taking sequence Gives signals that can be interpreted as a request for attention within a structured routine activity Gives distinct signals that can be interpreted as a request for attention 3 or more times in an activity Gives signals that can be interpreted as a request for more of an activity in a structured routine activity  Attends to more than 2 items or activities and signals a preference  Seeks an object taken out of immediate sight Attempts to uncover an object which is seen to be hidden under something
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Aspect 1 Environmental Sounds	Aspect 2 Instrumental Sounds	Aspect 3 Body Percussion	Aspect 4 Rhythm and Rhyme
Notice sounds around you Recognise that different objects make different sounds Start to identify sounds and name them Communicate about the sounds. Describing sounds. Comparing sounds	Explore the sounds that instruments make Awareness that you have to act upon an instrument to make a sound Start to identify the sounds of familiar instruments and name them Awareness of how you act upon an instrument affects the sound it makes Follow instructions to recreate a sound using an instrument, e.g. Tap the drum loudly. Shake the tambourine quietly Communicate about the sounds. Describing sounds. Comparing sounds	Explore the sounds our bodies can make Join in and copying actions with familiar songs Join in with a body percussion pattern Copy a body percussion sequence Awareness of how you can change body percussion sounds Create their own sequences of body percussion Join in with longer sequences of body percussion Describe body percussion Follow instructions to recreate a body percussion sound, e.g. Stamp your feet loudly. Clap your hands softly	Joining in with songs and rhymes To ecognise familiar rhythms and rhymes. Recognising that words rhyme. Copying and keeping to a simple beat. Joining in and copying breaking words into syllables with a beat. Playing with rhyme. Making up their own rhyming words. Completing sentences with their own rhymes orally." Breaking words down into syllables with a beat. Creating their own beat.



# **Level 1 Continued**

Aspect 5 Alliteration	Aspect 6 Voice Sounds	Aspect 7 Oral Blending and Segmenting
Explore the initial sounds of words.  To select objects with a given initial sound from a choice of two. Identify initial sounds of words.  To match to objects with the same initial sound. Playing with alliteration.	To explore different mouth movements and sounds. Copying different voice sounds and mouth movements. To recognise different voice sounds. To make a variety of different voice sounds, including animal sounds. Say speech sounds clearly. Talking about voice sounds. Describing voice sounds. Comparing voice sounds. Creating their own ideas for voices of characters/imitating voices.	Identify the initial sounds of words.  Awareness that words can be broken into phonemes.  Choosing the correct object when hearing the word broken into phonemes.  Saying a simple CVC and VC word after hearing it broken into phonemes.  Joining in with segmenting CVC and VC words into phonemes.  Segmenting CVC and VC words into phonemes.  Starting to blend the phonemes of longer words. Identifying how many phonemes are in a CVC or VC word.



Can pupil say the correct phoneme when shown the flashcard?				
Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5
S	i	g	ck	h
a	n	O	e	b
	m	С	u	f
	d	k	r	ff
				1
				II
				ss

Tricky Word Recognition		
to the		
no		
go		

Blending Assessment: Can Pupil blend the sounds as you 'robot talk' the words?	Segmenting Assessment: Can pupil 'robot talk' these words?	
sat	bat	
cup	huff	
h e n	pen	
miss	moss	
bog	cog	
d o II	dog	
r a g	till	
s o ck	sack	



Ste	ep 1	Step 2	
		Consonan	t Digraphs
Can they say the phoneme when the grapheme is shown?	Can they produce the grapheme when the phoneme is heard? e.g. type. write or order letters	Can they say the phoneme when the grapheme is shown?	Can they produce the grapheme when the phoneme is heard? e.g. type. write or order letters
j	j	ch	ch
V	V	sh	sh
W	w	th (moth)	th (moth)
X	x	th (feather)	th (feather)
у	у	ng	ng
Z	z		-
zz	zz		
qu	qu		

Step 3				
Vowel Digrap	hs and Trigraphs			
Can they say the phoneme when the grapheme is shown?  Can they produce the grapheme when the phoneme is heard? e.g. type.  write or order letters				
ai	ai			
ee	ee			
igh	igh			
oa	oa			
oo (book)	oo (book)			
oo (moon)	oo (moon)			
ar	ar			
or	or			
ur (purse)	ur (purse)			
ow	ow			
oi	oi			
ear	ear			
air				
ure	ure			
er (pepper)	er (pepper)			



### **Level 3 continued**

Step 4		Step 5	
Reading Decodable Words: Can the child segment the word then blend it together?	Spelling Decodable Words: Adult to say the word, can the child segment it and produce the word? e.g. type. write or order letters	Reading Tricky Words	Spelling Tricky Words
j-u-g	jam	he	to
v-a-n	vet	she	they
w-e-t	win	we	no
b-o-x	fox	me	go
y-e-s	yap	be	Ī
z-a-p	zip	was	
f-i-zz	buzz	you	
qu-a-ck	quit	they	
sh-o-p	rich	all	
th-i-ng	them	are	
th-i-s	sheep	my	
t-ai-l	thin	here	
m-oo-n	rain		
c-00-k	boot		
r-oa-d	hook		
l-igh-t	goat		
p-ar-k	night		
ch-ee-k	mark		
w-or-n	queen		
b-ur-p	fork		
t-ow-n	turn		
s-oi-l	owl		
b-ear-d	year		
ch-air	pair		
ma-n-ure	cure		
p-e-pp-er	dinner		
f-ar-m-y-ar-d	ring		



Step 1		Step 2	
Reading CVCC Words: Can the child sound out the word and blend the sounds together?	Spelling CVCC Words: Can the child segment the word and produce the word correctly? e.g. type. write or order letters	Reading CCVC Words: Can the children sound out the word and blend the sounds together?	Spelling CCVC Words: Can the child segment the word and produce the word correctly? e.g. type. write or order letters
m-i-l-k	tent	f-r-o-g	twin
h-a-n-d	lamp	g-r-a-b	plum
p-ai-n-t	bench	s-m-e-ll	stop
t-oa-s-t	boost	c-r-ee-p	train
t-e-s-t-i-ng	melting	c-l-ow-n	float
s-a-nd-p-i-t	desktop	s-t-ar-l-igh-t	treetop

Step 3		Step 4	
Reading Words with Adjacent Consonants: Can the children sound out the word and blend the sounds together?	Spelling Words with Adjacent Consonants: Can the child segment the word and produce the word correctly? e.g. type. write or order letters	Reading Tricky Words	Spelling Tricky Words
s-t-a-n-d	frost	said	he
b-l-e-n-d	twist	so	she
c-r-u-s-t	slept	have	we
d-r-i-n-k	blink	like	me
s-p-r-i-ng	scrap	come	be
t-w-i-s-t-i-ng	printer	some	was
		were	you
		there	they
		little	all
		one	are
		do	my
		when	here
		out	
		what	



Step 1 Grapheme Recognition		Step 2  Reading Decodable Words	
ie saying /ee/	ie saying /ee/	shriek	sh-r-ie-k
tch	tch	waited	w-ai-t-e-d
are saying /air/	are saying /air/	birds	b-ir-d-s
ear saying /air/	ear saying /air/	foxes	f-o-x-e-s
ore	ore	scratch	s-c-r-a-tch
		growing	g-r-ow-i-ng
		faster	f-a-s-t-er
		slowest	s-l-ow-e-s-t
		square	s-qu-are
		pear	p-ear
		live	I-i-ve
		freeze	f-r-ee-ze
		choice	ch-oi-ce
		nurse	n-ur-se
		score	s-c-ore
		unkind	u-n-k-i-n-d



#### **Level 5 continued**

Step 3	Step 4	Step 5 Spelling Common Exception Words	
Spelling Decodable Words	Reading Common Exception Words		
Adult to say the word, can the child segment it and produce the word? e.g. type. write or order letters			
field	January	friend	
velled	February	also	
poats	April	once	
vishes	July	please	
pitch	scissors	live	
ooking	castle	coming	
ouder	beautiful	Monday	
coldest	treasure	Tuesday	
pare	door	Wednesday	
ear	floor	brother	
give	bought	more	
orse	favourite	before	
preeze	autumn	January	
roice	gone	February	
nore	know	April	
ınseen	colour	July	
	other	scissors	
	does	castle	
	talk	beautiful	
	two	treasure	



Step 1	Step 2	Step 3 Spelling Common Exception Words	
Reading Decodable Words	Spelling Decodable Words		
Can they read the words?	Can they produce the words? e.g. type. write or order letters		
shy sledge carries sign knife married annoying wrapper giggle happier laziest squirrel	fry smudge puppies gnome know copied studying wrist muddle cheekier dirtiest model	door floor bought favourite autumn gone know colour other does talk two four eight world work poor great break steak	