

First, your child will learn to read:

- Set 1 Speed Sounds: these are sounds written with one letter:
- Set 1 sounds written with two letters ('special friends').
- Simple words containing these sounds, by sound-blending.
- Read words in carefully levelled Red, Green and Purple Storybooks.

### Set 1 Sounds

Each sound is linked to a picture hook and short rhyme to help the children learn and remember them.



Maisie, mountain, mountain



Around the apple and down the leaf



Slither down the snake



Around the dinosaurs bottom and up to his neck



Down the tower, across the tower



Down the insects body and a dot for his head.



Down Nobby and over his net



Down the pirates plait and around the pirates face



Round the girls face, down her hair and give her a curl



All around the orange



Curly around the caterpillar



Down the kangaroo's body curl his tail and leg



Down and under the umbrella, up to the top and down to the puddle



Down the laces, over the toe and to the heel



Down the stem and draw the leaves



Clear pronunciation of sounds is extremely important. This video will demonstrate how to say sounds clearly.

### Learning to Blend Simple Words

Your child will learn to read words containing Set 1 Speed Sounds by blending sounds together to create words. We call this 'Fred Talk'.

m-a-t *mat*

c-a-t *cat*

g-o-t *got*

f-i-sh *fish*

s-p-o-t *spot*

b-e-s-t *best*

s-p-l-a-sh *splash*

The video below explains the process of teaching blending and Fred Talk.

## Useful Websites

[Parent guide to Read Write Inc. Phonics | Oxford Owl](#) – Really useful website that includes a worksheet for each letter of Set 1 to practise letter formation.

[Set 1 – Parent Reading at Home Booklet 1](#)

[Amazon – RWI Flashcards](#) – A useful pack of flashcards to use when practising sounds and blending.

Now that your child knows all their single sounds, some simple ‘special friends’ and has learnt to blend simple words, they will now learn:

- To read and recognise Set 2 Speed Sounds: ay, ee, igh, ow (as in *blow*) oo (as in *zoo*) oo (as in *look*), ar, or, air, ir, ou (as in *out*), oy
- To read words containing these sounds
- Read a wider range of ‘red words’ (words that cannot be read using phonic skills).
- To read Pink, Orange and Yellow Storybooks, building speed and fluency.

**Set 2 Sounds** Each sound is linked to a picture hook and a rhyme to help the children learn and remember the sounds.



Set 2 sounds pronunciation is shown in this video at 2 mins.

## Useful Websites

[Parent guide to Read Write Inc. Phonics | Oxford Owl](#) – Really useful website that includes a worksheet for each letter of Set 2 to practise letter formation.

[Set 2 & 3 Parent Reading at Home Booklet 2](#)

[Amazon – RWI Flashcards Set 2 and 3](#) – A useful pack of flashcards to use when practising sounds and blending.