

Phase 2 Phonics— Go to [www.mrthorne.com](http://www.mrthorne.com) for support

Letter	Word building examples	High Frequency Words
s		
a		
t		
p	sat tap pat	a as at
i	sit pit tip pip sip	is it
n	pan tin tan nap	in an
m	man mat map	am
d	sad dip	dad did and
g	pig dig gas gap	
o	pot top dog pop	got on not
c	cot cap cat cod	can
k	kid kit	
ck	pack sack kick pick sick	
e	pet ten net pen peg men neck	get
u	run mug cup sun mud	Mum up put
r	rat rag ram rug rot rip rim	
Tricky words	to the	
h	hot hut hop hit hat hum hug	had his him has
b	bad bag bed bug bus bat	big back but
f /ff	fan fat fit fun fog huff puff	of if off
l/ll	lap leg lit bell fill doll sell tell	let
s/ss	less hiss mess boss fuss kiss	
Tricky words	no go I into	

# Phase 3 Phonics—Go to [www.mrthorne.com](http://www.mrthorne.com) for support

Letter	Word building examples	High Frequency Words
j	jam jab jug jog job jet	
v	van vet vat	
w	win wig wag web wax	will
x	mix fix box tax six	
Tricky words	to the no go I into (reading)	
y	yes yet yap yell	
z	zip zigzag	
zz	buzz jazz	
qu	quit quiz quick quack	
Tricky words	we me (reading) to the (spelling)	
ch	chop chin chip chill check such rich	
sh	ship shop shed shell fish cash rush	
th / th	thin thick moth / that this them	
ng	ring rang hang song wing king long	
Tricky words	he she be (reading)	
ai	wait hail pain aim sail main tail rain	
ee	feel weep feet jeep meet week	see
igh	high sigh light might night right	
oa	coat load goat loaf road soap oak	
Tricky words	was (reading) no go (spelling)	
oi	Oil boil coin coil join soil	

# Phase 3 Phonics Go to [www.mrthorne.com](http://www.mrthorne.com) for support

Letter	Word building examples	High Frequency Words
oo (long)	zoo boot hoof zoom cool food root	too
oo (short)	foot cook good book took wood wool	look
ow	owl cow how town	down now
Tricky words	my (reading)	
ar	bar car bark card cart hard jar	
air	air chair fair hair lair pair	
ear	ear dear fear hear gear near tear	
Tricky words	you (reading)	
er	germ perm term	
ur	fur burn burp curl hurt surf turn	
or	fork cork sort born worn fort torn	
ure	sure pure cure	
Tricky words	her they all are (reading)	

# Phase 4 Phonics Go to [www.mrthorne.com](http://www.mrthorne.com) for support

Letter	Word building examples	High Frequency Words
-st	nest best chest cost lost gust toast	just
-nd	band land hand pond fond wind	
-mp	lamp damp camp limp chimp jump	
-nt	tent dent hunt joint paint burnt	went
nk	bank thank sink link think bunk	
Tricky words	said so (reading) he she we me be (spelling)	
-ft	gift lift shift tuft theft	
-sk	ask task tusk husk desktop	
-lt	tilt belt felt melt melting shelter	
-lp	gulp helpdesk helper	
Others	golf shelf (_lf) milk (_lk) kept (_pt)	
Tricky words	have you like come (reading) was you	
tr-	trip tree train trash trail trend	
dr-	drank drift droop drop driftwood	children
gr-	grab green grip groan grunt grant	
cr-	creep crash crisp cramp crust crept	
br--	brand bring brush brown brass	
fr-	frog fresh frost frown freshness	from
Tricky words	were there little one (reading) they	
bl-	bleed blend blink blank blast	

# Phase 4 Phonics Go to [www.mrthorne.com](http://www.mrthorne.com) for support

Letter	Word building examples	High Frequency Words
fl-	flag flair float floating	
gl-	glad glass glint	
pl-	plan plum plump	
cl-	clamp clown clear	
sl-	slept slant	
Tricky words	do when out what (reading) my her (spelling)	
sp-	spot spin spoil spoon sport speech spend	
st-	stop step steep start star stair	
tw-	twin twist twisting	
sm-	smell smart smear	
Others	printer (pr) scoop (sc) skunk( sk) sniff (sn)	
-nch	bench drench trench punch crunch lunchbox	it's
scr-	scrunch scrap	
shr-	shrink	
str-	strap string street	
thr-	thrust thrush thrill	

# Phase 5 Phonics Go to [www.mrthorne.com](http://www.mrthorne.com) for support

Letter	Word building examples	High Frequency Words
-ay	play may say stray clay spray tray	
-ou-	out cloud scout found proud sprout about house	
-ie	Pie lie tie die cried tried spied fried	
-ea-	Sea seat meat treat heap least	
Tricky words	oh their (reading) said so (spelling)	
-oy	boy toy joy oyster destroy enjoy royal	
-ir	girl sir bird shirt skirt birth third first	
-ue	blue clue glue true issue tissue ven-	
-aw	paw raw claw jaw lawn yawn law	
Tricky words	People Mr. Mrs. (reading) have like	
wh-	when which wheel whisper	
ph-	phonics dolphin elephant alphabet	
-ew	new few stew blew chew grew drew screw	
-oe	toe hoe doe foe woe goes tomatoes	
-au-	haul launch haunted August author	
Tricky words	Looked called (reading) some come	
a-e	take game race snake came made	
e-e	these even theme gene scene	

# Phase 5 Phonics Go to [www.mrthorne.com](http://www.mrthorne.com) for support

Letter	Word building examples	High Frequency Words
i-e	like pine ripe shine slide prize nice	time
o-e	bone pole home alone those stone woke	
u-e	June flute prune rude rule	
/zh/	treasure vision television pleasure	
-s- -ge	Visual measure usual casual beige	
Tricky word	asked (reading) were there (spelling)	
Alternative pronunciations of graphemes: c g ch y		by
Tricky words	Water where who again thought	
Alternative pronunciations of graphemes: a i o u		old
Tricky words	work mouse many laughed because	put
Alternative pronunciations of graphemes: ea ie er ow ou		old
Tricky words	Different any eyes friends once please (reading) when what oh their people Mr. Mrs. Looked called asked (spelling)	very your here

# Tricky words

**Tricky words** are those **words** which cannot be sounded out correctly using the letters and sounds. The only way these **words** can be read and spelt correctly is by learning them and having plenty of practise

Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5
the	you	said	oh
to	they	have	their
I	all	like	people
no	are	so	Mr
go	my	do	Mrs
into	her	some	looked
	he	Come	called
	she	were	asked
	we	there	could
	me	little	
	be	one	
	was	when	
		out	

# Year 1 Common Exception Words

a	I	school
are	is	she
ask	love	so
be	me	some
by	my	the
come	no	there
do	of	they
friend	once	to
full	one	today
go	our	was
has	pull	we
he	push	were
here	put	where
his	said	you
house	says	your

# Year 2 Common Exception Words

door	even	sugar
floor	great	eye
poor	break	could
because	steak	should
find	pretty	would
kind	beautiful	who
mind	after	whole
behind	fast	any
child	last	many
children	past	clothes
wild	father	busy
climb	class	people
most	grass	water
only	pass	again
both	plant	half
old	path	money
cold	bath	Mr
gold	hour	Mrs
hold	move	parents
told	prove	Christmas
every	improve	
everybody	sure	

# Year 3/4 Common Exception Words

accident	continue	guard
accidentally	decide	guide
actual	describe	heard
actually	different	heart
address	difficult	height
answer	disappear	history
appear	early	imagine
arrive	earth	increase
believe	eight	important
bicycle	eighth	interest
breath	enough	island
breathe	exercise	knowledge
build	experience	learn
busy	experiment	length
business	extreme	library
calendar	famous	material
caught	February	medicine
centre	forward	mention
century	fruit	minute
certain	grammar	natural
circle	group	naughty
complete		
consider		

## Year 3/4 Common Exception Words

notice	recent
occasion	regular
occasionally	reign
often	remember
opposite	sentence
ordinary	separate
particular	special
peculiar	straight
perhaps	strange
popular	strength
position	suppose
possession	surprise
possess	therefore
possible	though
potatoes	although
pressure	thought
probably	through
promise	various
purpose	weight
quarter	woman
question	women

# Year 5/6 Common Exception Words

accommodate

accompany

according

achieve

aggressive

amateur

ancient

apparent

appreciate

attached

available

average

awkward

bargain

bruise

category

cemetery

committee

communicate

community

competition

conscience\*

conscious\*

controversy

convenience

correspond

criticise

curiosity

definite

desperate

determined

develop

dictionary

disastrous

embarrass

environment

equipped

equipment

especially

exaggerate

excellent

existence

explanation

familiar

foreign

forty

frequently

government

guarantee

harass

hindrance

identity

# Year 5/6 Common Exception Words

immediate	opportunity	sacrifice
immediately	parliament	secretary
individual	persuade	Shoulder
interfere	physical	signature
interrupt	prejudice	sincere
language	privilege	sincerely
leisure	profession	soldier
lightning	programme	stomach
marvellous	pronunciation	sufficient
mischievous	queue	suggest
muscle	recognise	symbol
necessary	recommend	system
neighbour	relevant	temperature
nuisance	restaurant	thorough
occupy	rhyme	twelfth
occur	rhythm	variety
		vegetable
		vehicle
		yacht