Jolly Phonics

Leading the teaching of literacy

Jolly Readers

Jolly Grammar

The Research

"The Jolly Phonics children's reading skills were 11 months above the level expected for their age"

"The synthetic phonics classes outperformed the whole language classes on 16 out of 19 reading and spelling measures"

"The results demonstrated that Jolly Phonics produced effects that were long-lasting"

5 basic skills

1) Learning the letter sounds
2) Letter formation
3) Blending
4) Identifying sounds in words
5) Tricky Words

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1. Learning the letter sounds

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Letter Sound Order

1) s a t i p n

2) c/k e h r m d

3) g o u l f b

4) ai j oa ie ee or

5) z w ng v oo **oo**

6) y x ch sh th **th**

7) qu ou oi ue er ar

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Storylines and Actions

Learning the sound ‘s’

Action:

Weave hand like a snake, saying *ssssss*

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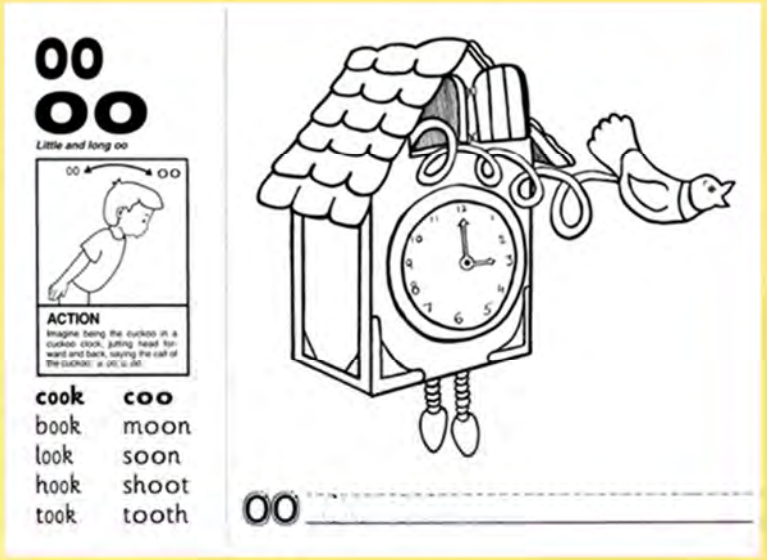
Digraphs

Two or more letters that make one sound



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Alternative Vowel Sounds

Introduced as:	Alternatives taught later:
‘ai’ (rain)	‘ay’ (play) and ‘a-e’ (flame)
‘ee’ (feet)	‘ea’ (leaf)
‘oa’ (boat)	‘ow’ (snow) and ‘o-e’ (bone)

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2. Letter Formation

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Feel Formation

- Finger Phonics books
- On the board
- In the air

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Pencil Hold

- Tripod grip
- 'Froggy Legs' movement

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3. Blending

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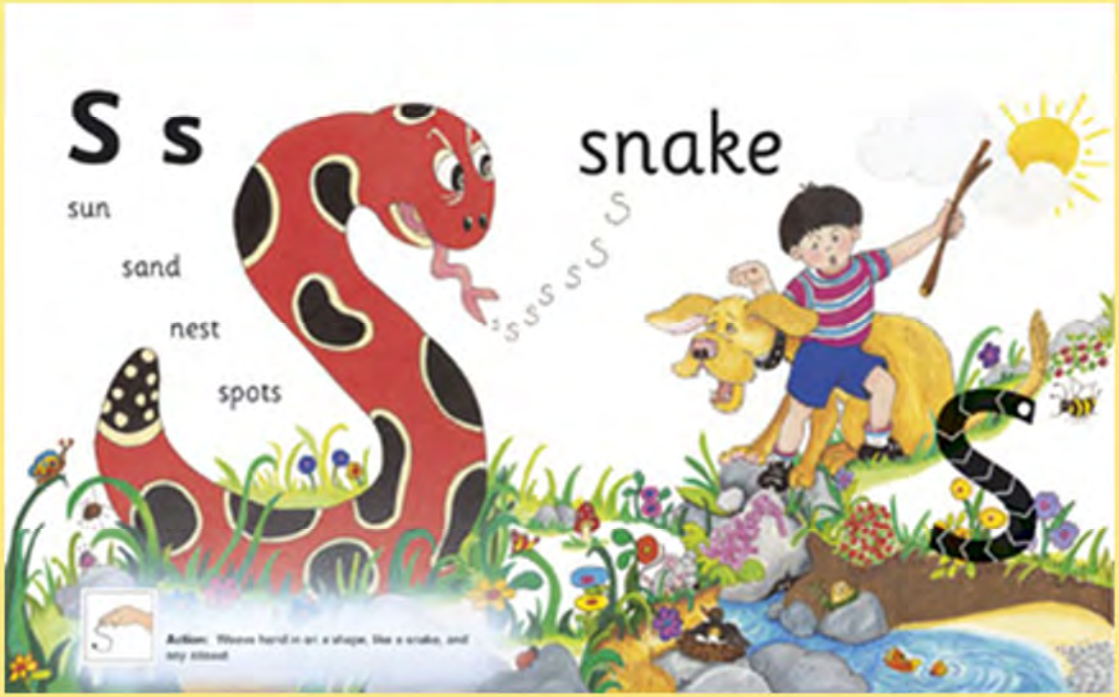
Sounding Out Letters



s-u-n b-oy

3) Blending

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Words with Consonant Blends

- pl-a-n……..plan
- tr-i-ck……..trick
- br-u-sh……brush

tr	pl	gr	cr
dw	fl	br	
scr	spl	thr	

4. Identifying Sounds in Words

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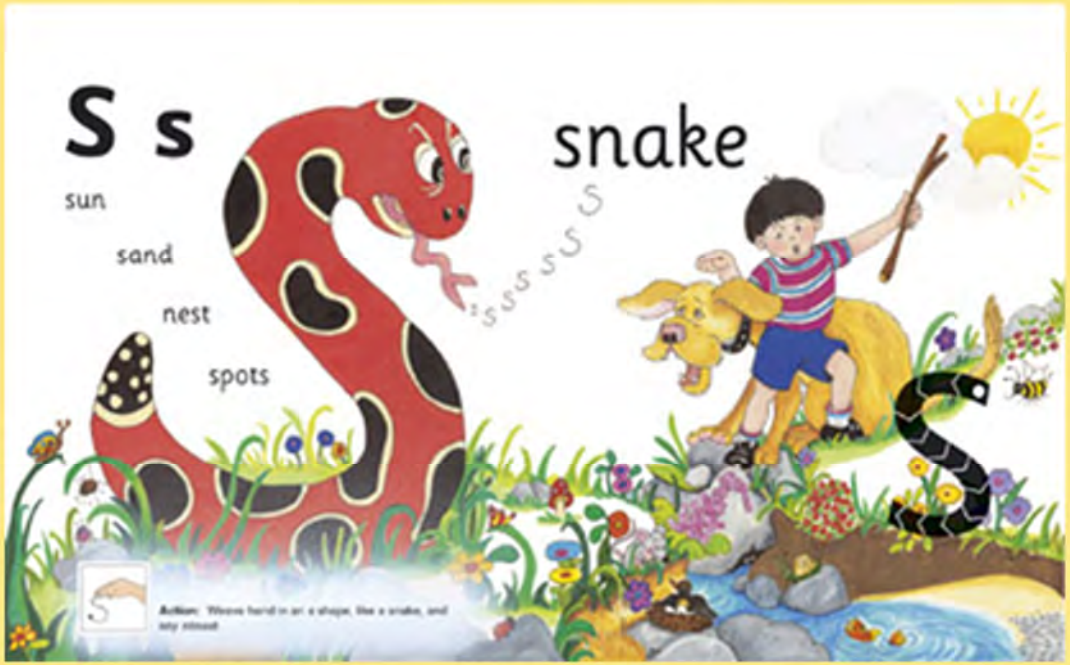
Hearing Individual Sounds

- Hearing one sound
- Identifying all sounds in a word



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5. Learning Tricky Words

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Tricky Words

- Reading – blend and learn
- Spelling Techniques
  - Look, cover, write and check
  - Say it as it sounds
  - Mnemonics

Some words are tricky and cannot be sounded out.
Here is a way of learning them.

Look Say the letters.	Cover Try writing them.	Write, Check	Have another go
the	the		
are	are		
you	you		

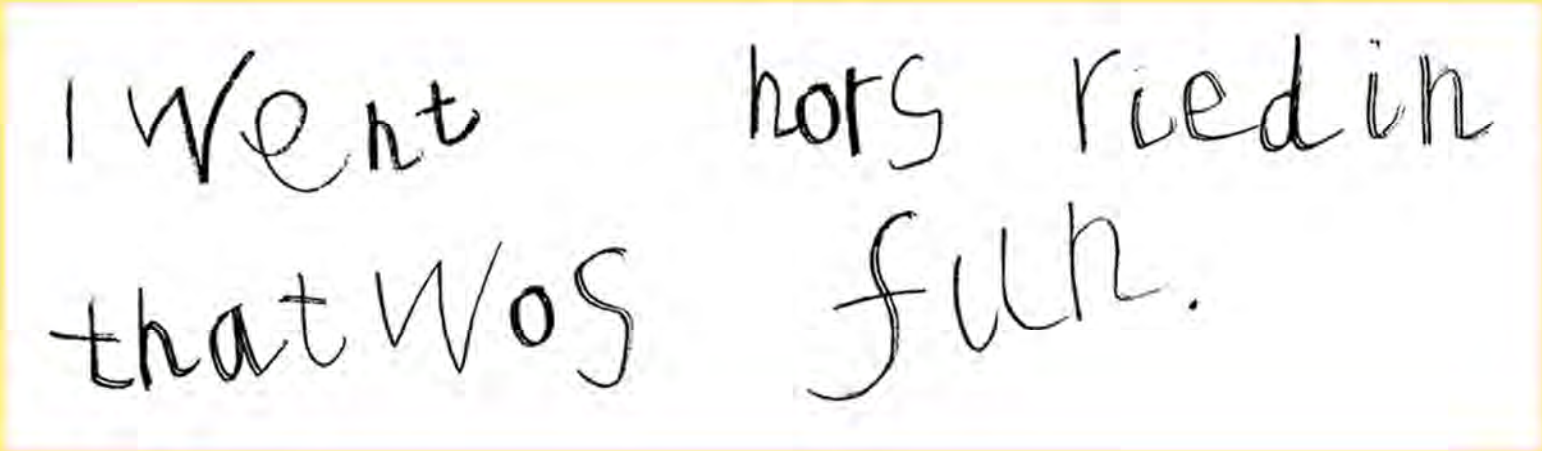
Fill in the missing letters.

t_he ar_ y_u

a_e t_e _re

yo_ th_ _ou

Independent Writing



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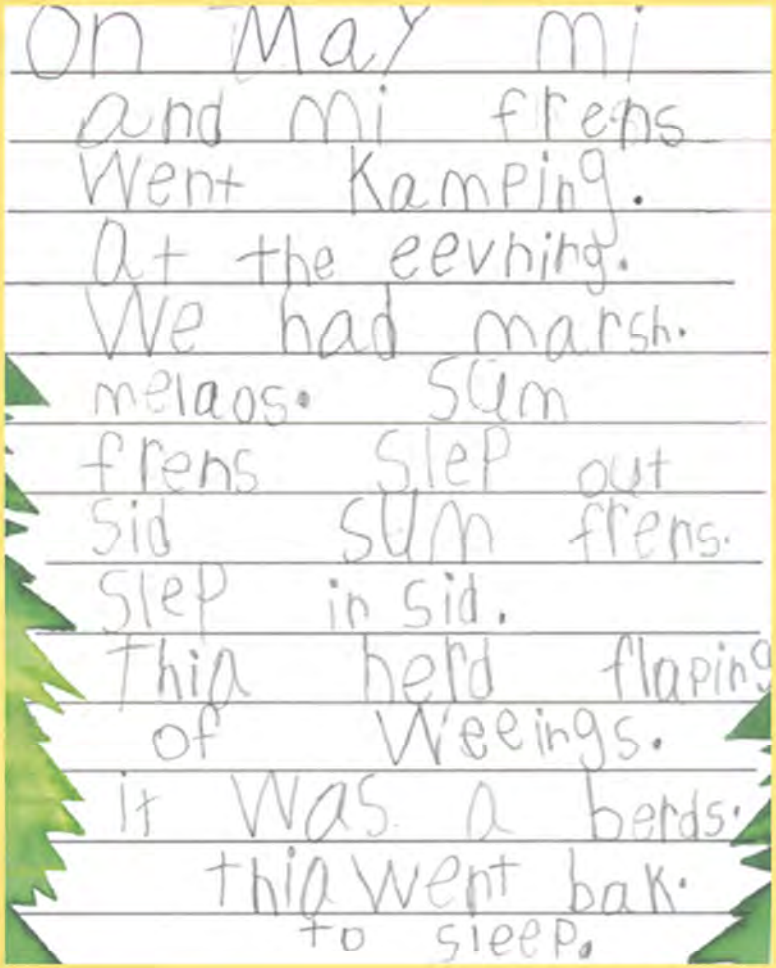

- Ian is 5 years
- In the first 18 weeks of school
- A typical student in the class

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