

Sound it out: Learn to read



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Next

You will need:

- Magnetic letters (small and big)
- Magnetic board
- Alphabet card
- 26 small cards with one letter written on each
- Extra cards for the other phonemes
- Different coloured counters
- Card with letter boxes (3 & 4)
- Year groups spelling lists

Next

Steps:

Phase 1/ 2

- Ask pupil to match a letter to same among 9 other letters.
- Ask pupil to sort similar letters small and capital e.g. dddd, yyyy
- Begin to learn the alphabet song.
- Say a word, stretch out the phonemes e.g. c-a-t, ask pupil to say how many phonemes s/he can hear.
- Pupil to put a counter into the letter box for each time s/he hears a phoneme whilst saying the word slowly.
- Say a word, stretch out the phonemes e.g. c-a-t, ask pupil to pick out phonemes s/he can hear.
- Pupil pick out phonemes in the word in order in which they occur
- Give pupil lots of practise in listening to phonemes in words.
- Pupil should now be getting better at listening to and hearing phonemes in the word.

Next

Reading, writing and spelling

Phase 2

Pupils will learn letters one at a time, and at the same time will write them, sound them out and learn to join them up into words, and to break words down into sounds which they can spell.

On the whiteboard, show the picture of the letter to be learned, say it's sound and show the pupils how to form the letter in the air then on the whiteboard and ask the pupils to copy your hand movements.

Pupils practise writing this on miniwhiteboard, sand or paper.

Revise the lesson using the ~~letters~~ programme web link .

Next

Making words

These lessons are spread over several days

1. Show pupils the picture of the target word e.g. cat
2. Orally blend the phonemes in c-a-t by emphasising each
3. Ask pupils to count each phoneme they can hear on their fingers
4. Practise with a few more objects or pictures

Moving on to reading:

1. Draw a letterbox on the whiteboard, begin with two
2. Say the word 'at' emphasising the two phonemes
3. Show pupils how to write these into the letterbox pointing to each as it is written.

a	t
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4. Ask pupils to repeat this using their letterbox.
5. Repeat with 3 or 4 other two letter words.
6. Next day, repeat the above steps with 3 letter words.

c	a	t
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Next

Making words

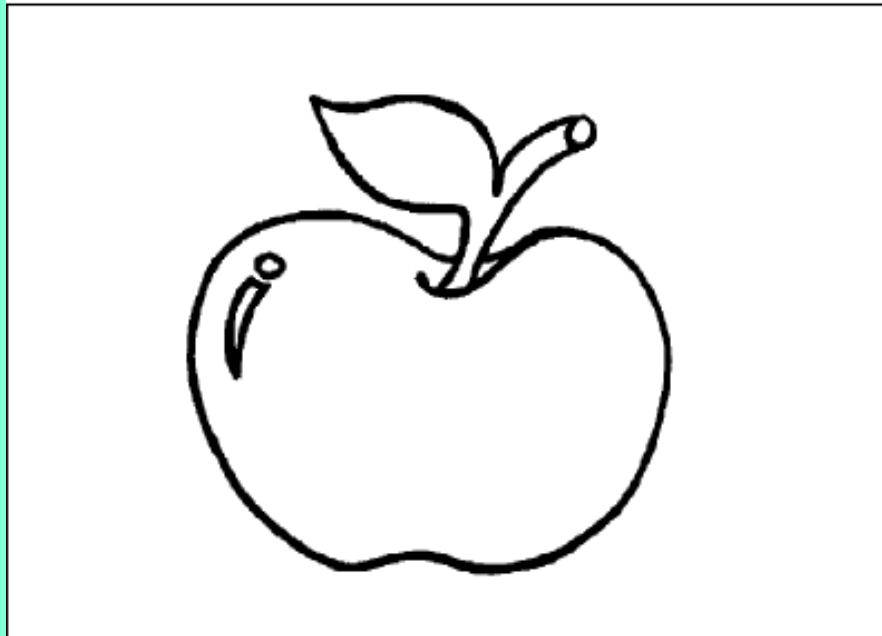
Hot tip:

Teach pupils an alliteration that emphasises the new phoneme e.g. 'Uncle was upstairs because he was unable to untie his shoe lace.'

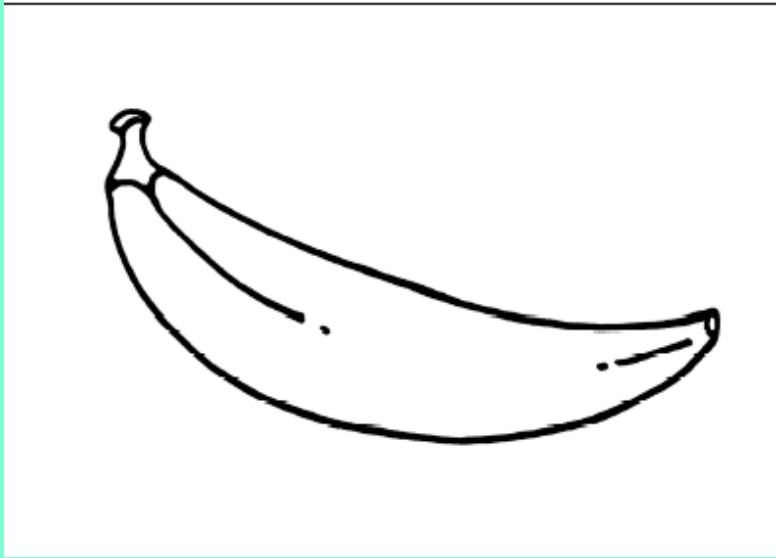
Dealing with misspelled words:

1. Pronounce the misspelled word exactly as it is written
2. Ask pupil if this is what they intended to write
3. Ask pupil to have another go, this time correctly
4. After a time lapse, come back to the word and ask the pupil to write it again.

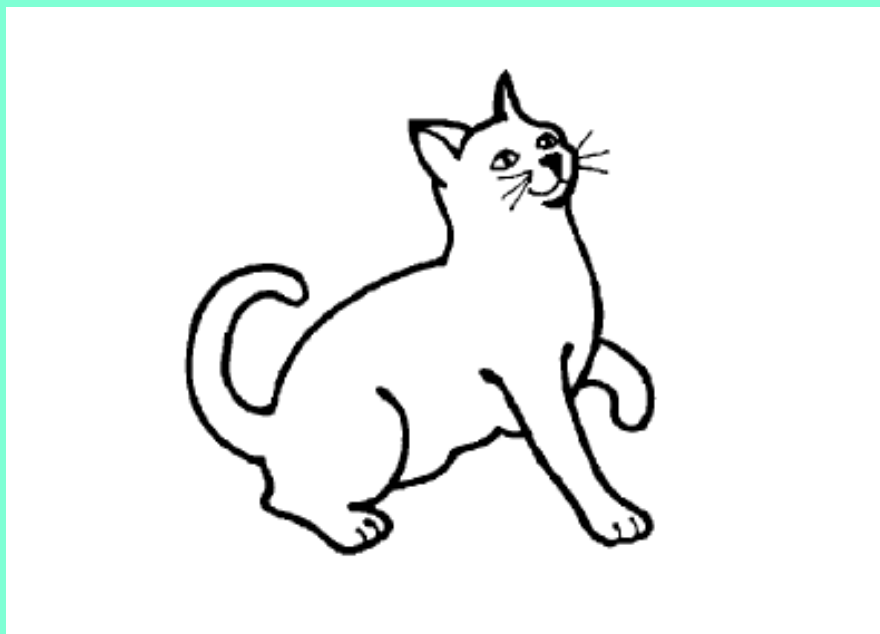
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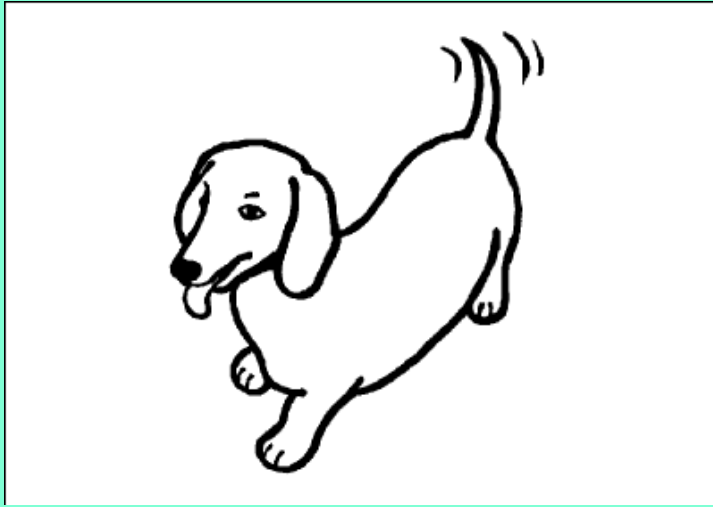
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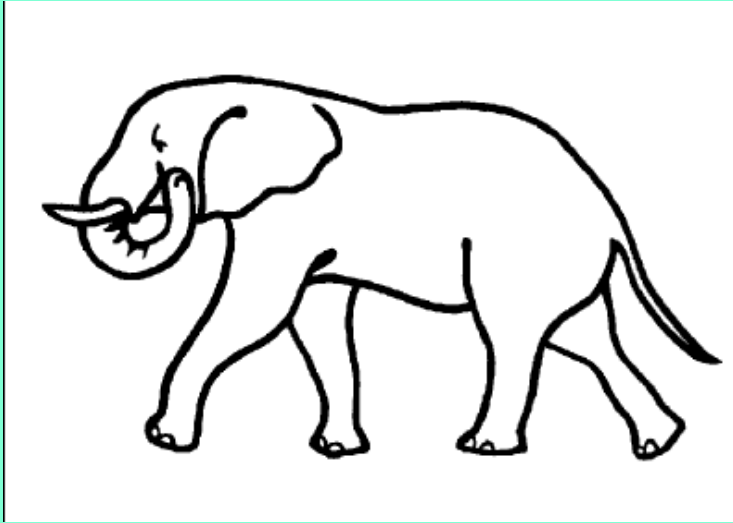
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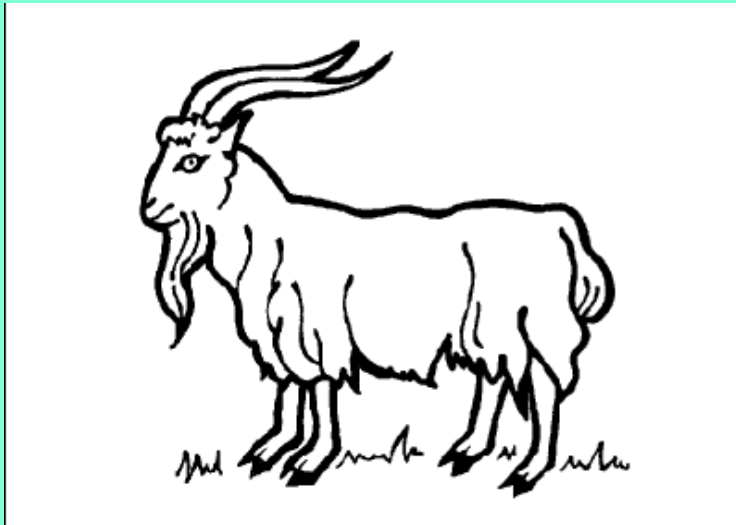
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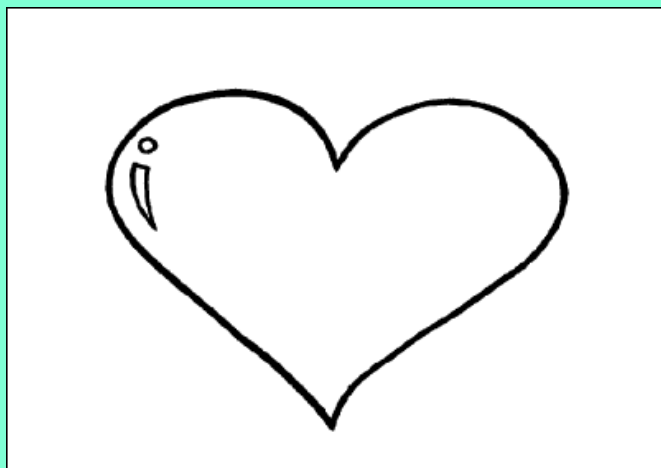
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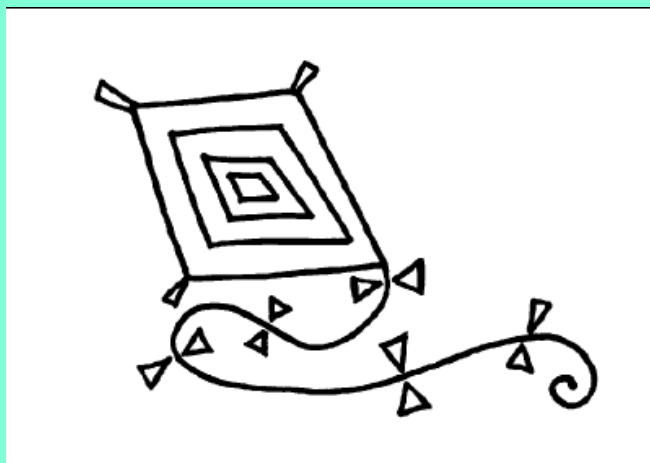
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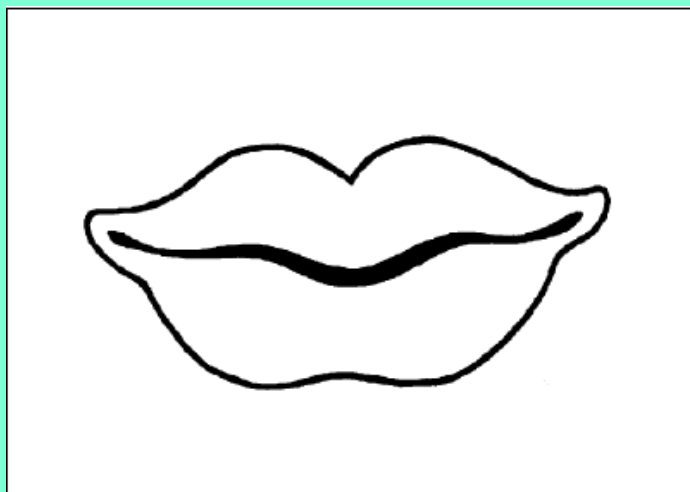
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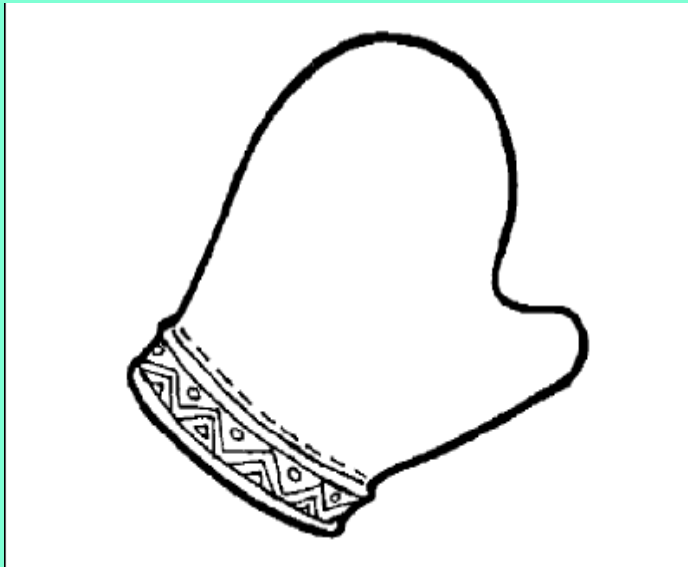
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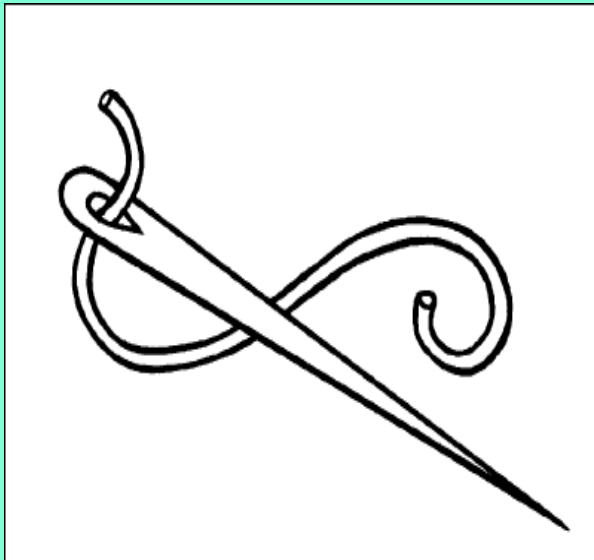
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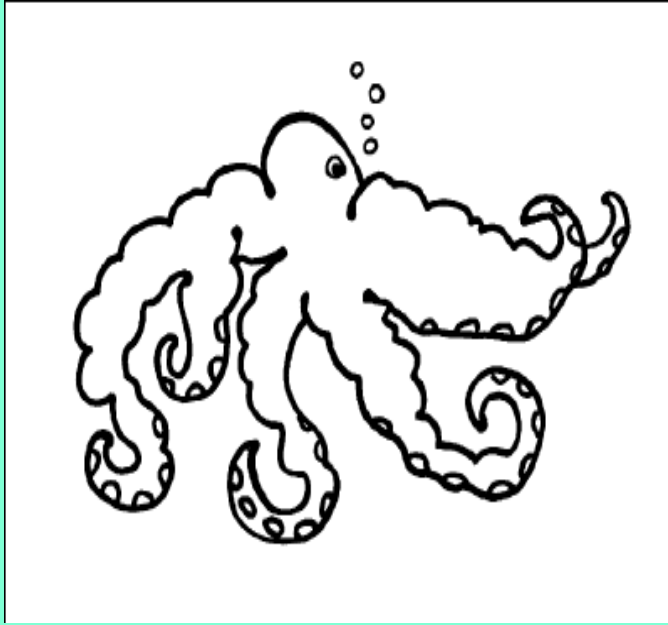
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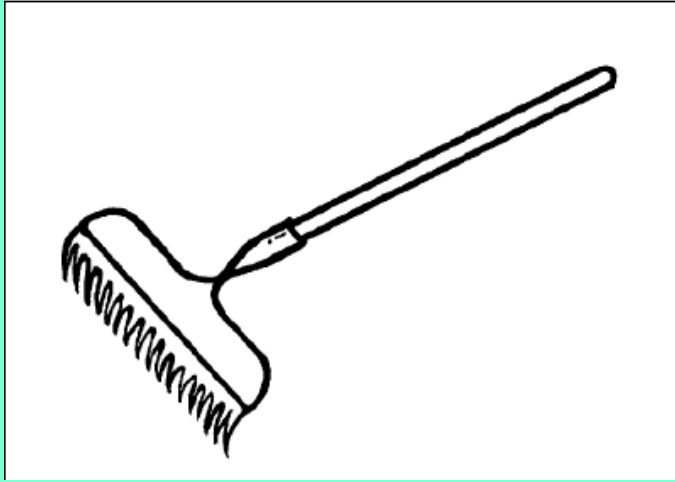
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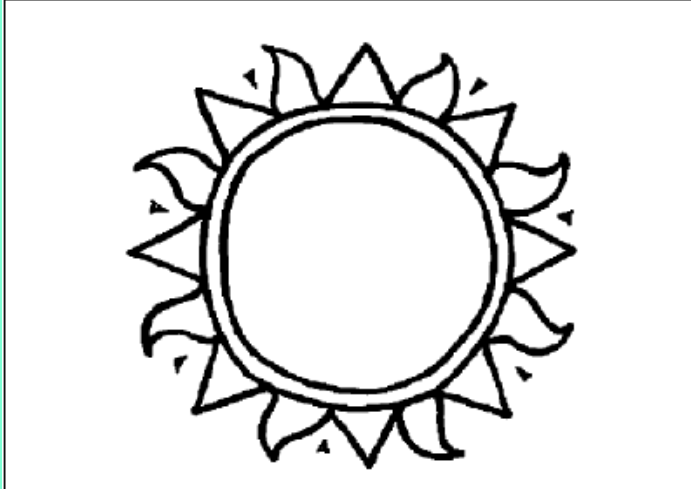
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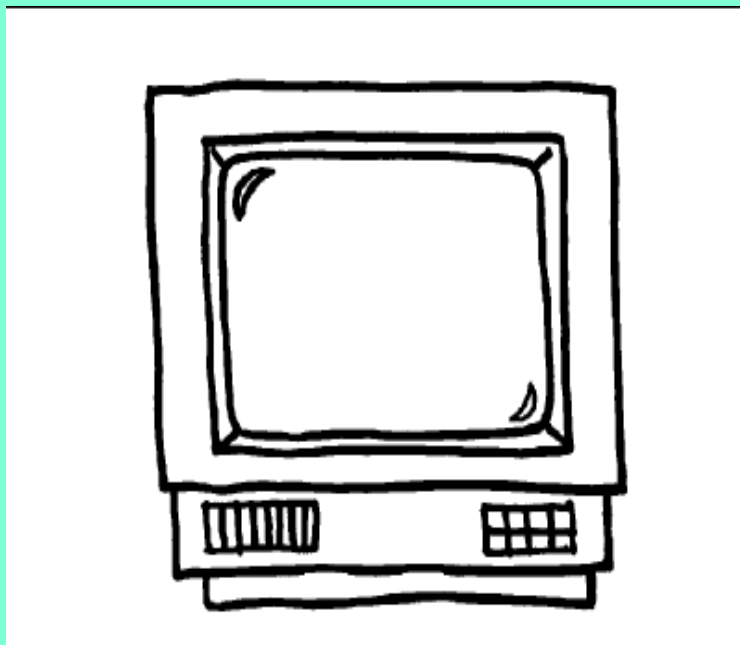
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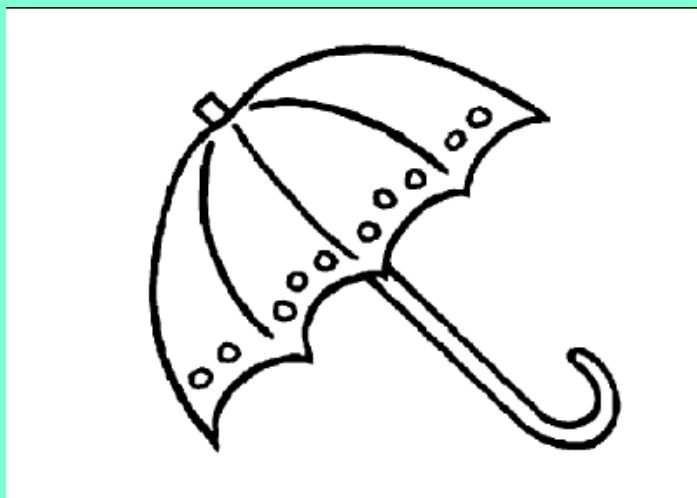
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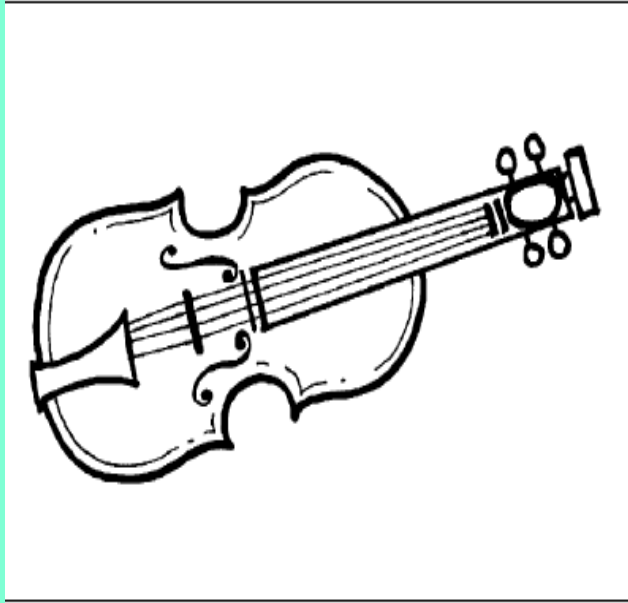
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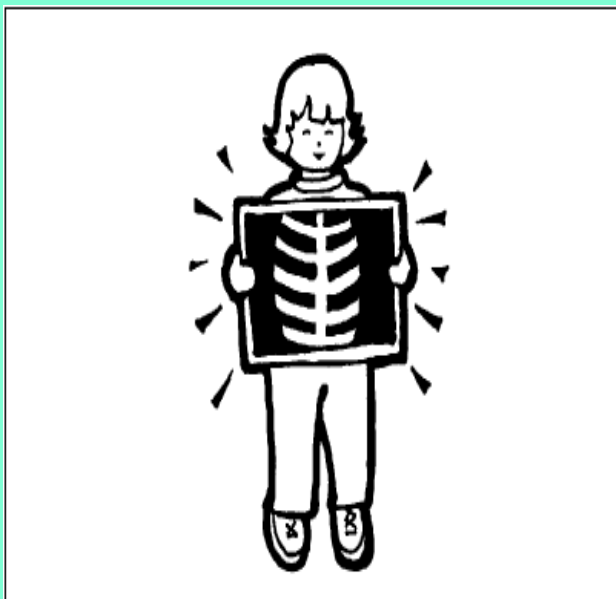
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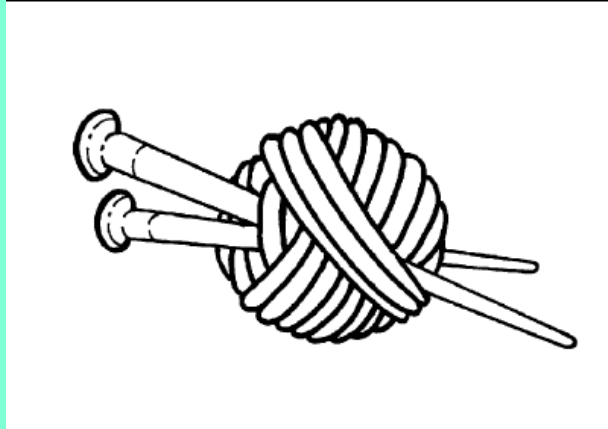
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X x



Yy



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Phase One

Nursery

To provide opportunities for pupils' cross curricula language development

*A Rhyme a week:
Nursery Rymes for Early Years*



A book a Week



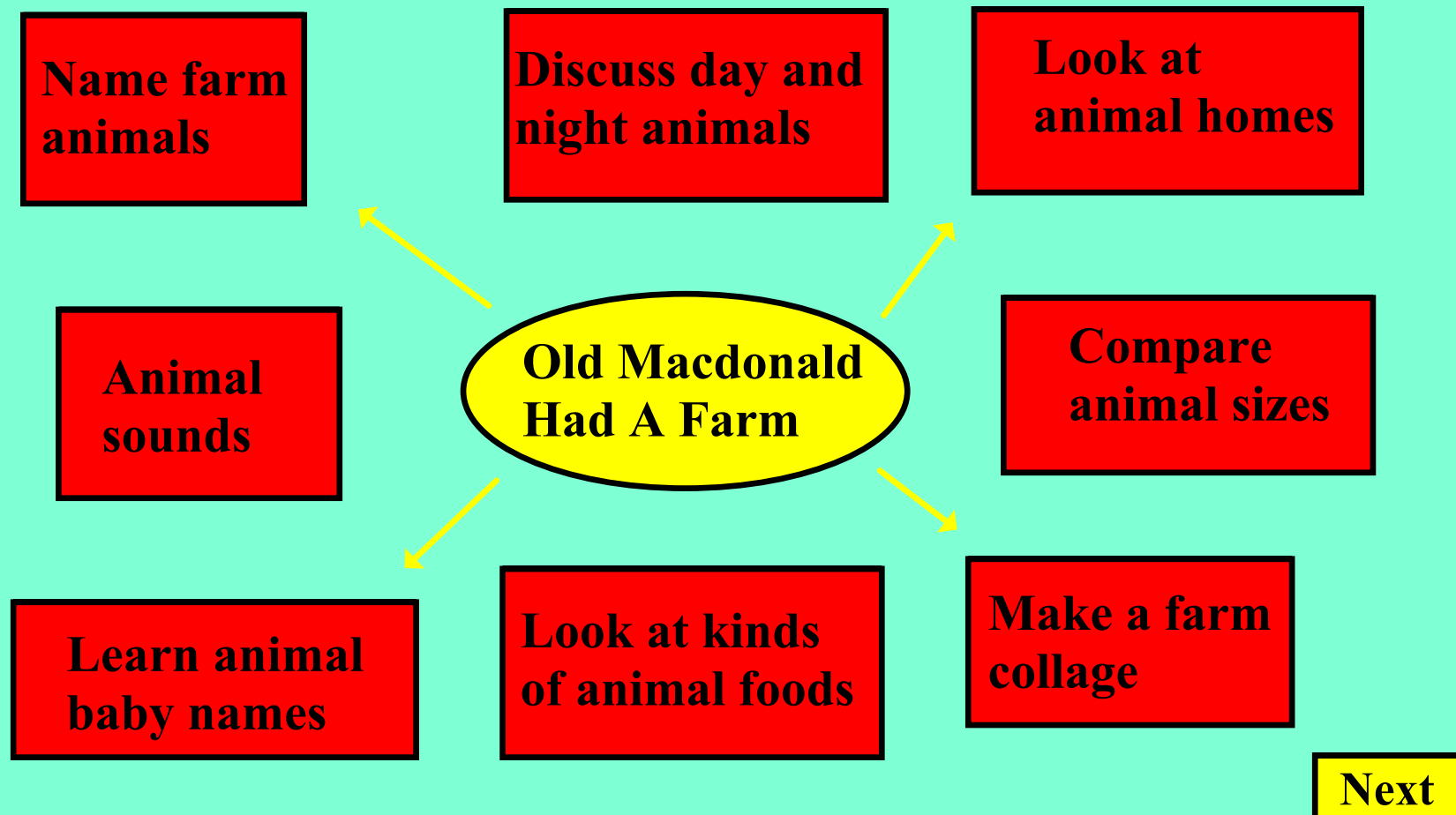
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Nursery

Aspect 1: to develop pupil's listening skills and awareness of sounds in the environment *A sample plan*

Enrichment activity: Farm visit



Phase One

Nursery

- To discriminate phonemes
- To reproduce audibly the phonemes they hear, in order, all through the word

Fish song



Old Macdonald had a farm



ABC order



Contents

Phase Two

Reception - Autumn 2nd Half

- Recognise and recall all letter names and sounds
- Orally blend and segment cvc words.

Letter sounds

Letters names and formation

cvc word wheels

cvc word maker game

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Phase Two

Reception - Autumn 2nd Half

- Recognise and recall all letter names and sounds
- Orally blend and segment cvc words.

Let's read cvc words.



Alphabetical order



Spelling levels



Next

Phase Three

Reception - Spring term

The vowel digraphs

ai ee ea oa ay

The vowel teams

Next

Phase Three

Reception - Spring term

Words using vowel graphemes

oo igh ar ow or ur er oi

Play vowel graphemes game



Words and pictures



Spelling levels



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Phase 4

Reception - Summer term

- Blending cvcc and ccvc
- Reading words with adjacent consonants

Play The Word Wheel game



Word blender game



Learn to read



Contents

Phase 5

Year 1

- Practice recognition and recall of graphemes and different pronunciations of graphemes
- Practise reading and spelling polysyllabic words

Alphabetical order



Spelling levels



Next

Phase 5

Year 1

- Read automatically all the words in the list of 100 high-frequency words

Stories and rhymes



Traditional stories



The tooth fairy



Clifford Interactive story books



Contents

Phase 6

Year 2

- Gaining independence
- Adding suffixes to words
- Learning spelling rules.

Word dice



Compound words



Spellings checker



The Gingerbread Man



Next

Phase 6

Year 2

- Gaining independence
- Adding suffixes to words
- Learning spelling rules.

Spelling levels



Mnemonics



Contents

Year 3

Spell unfamiliar words using known conventions including grapheme-phoneme correspondence and morphological rules

Syllables game



Spelling game



Mnemonics



Spelling levels



Next

Year 3

Know and apply common spelling rules

Prefixes and Suffixes



Double consonants



Plural nouns



Apostrophes



Ending y to i



The silent e



Contents

Year 4

- Distinguish the spelling and meaning of
- common homophones
- Know and apply common spelling rules

Confusing words.



Spelling it right



Contents

Year 5 & 6

Spell familiar words correctly and employ a range of strategies to spell difficult and unfamiliar words.

Spelling it right



Mnemonics



Next

Year 5 & 6

Group and classify words according to their spelling patterns and their meanings

Words with similar meaning



Homophones game



Contents

Spell check

- Select ten words from the list the class or group has been working on
- Ask pupils to write selected words on their miniwhite boards or paper.
- Pupils can tick the ones they got right at end of test.

Younger pupils

- Younger classes should have five words to spell.
- Look and note how well pupils are holding their pens or pencils.
- Look and note how well pupils are forming their letters.

Next

Spell check

Word	Tick
Comment	

Next

Spelling lists

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Spelling lists

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Spelling lists

S

s	sat	sat
s	sad	sad
s	set	set
s	sit	sit
s	sun	sun
s	sums	sums
S	Sam	Sam
gas	gas	gas
yes	yes	yes
us	us	us
bus	bus	bus
mess	mess	mess
kiss	kiss	kiss

Spelling lists

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Spelling lists

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Spelling lists

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Spelling lists

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w	wag	wag
w	wig	wig
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tw	twin	twin
sw	swim	swim
sw	swag	swag
dw	dwell	dwell

Spelling lists

C	sound	listen	say
	c	cat	cat
	c	can	can
	c	cap	cap
	c	cot	cot
	c	cup	cup
	c	cut	cut
	C	Colin	Colin
	mac	mac	mac
	sc	scab	scab
	ac	act	act
	lic	lick	lick
	muc	muck	muck
	crac	crack	crack

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Spelling lists

k

k	kid	kid
k	kit	kit
k	kip	kip
k	kill	kill
k	kiss	kiss
k	kept	kept
Ken	Ken	Ken
elk	elk	elk
ink	ink	ink
sk	skid	skid
sk	skin	skin
sk	skip	skip
kick	kick	kick

Spelling lists

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Quentin

Quentin

Spelling lists

X

ox	ox	ox
fox	fox	fox
box	box	box
six	six	six
mix	mix	mix
wax	wax	wax
fax	fax	fax
Max	Max	Max
ox	oxen	oxen
nex	next	next
ex	exit	exit
tax	tax	tax
tax	taxi	taxi
Rex	Rex	Rex

Spelling lists

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Spelling lists

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su - ch

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ri - ch

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in - ch

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fin - ch

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Spelling lists

th

th - ank	thank
th - ink	think
th - at	that
th - em	them
th - en	then
th - is	this
th - in	thin
th - eft	theft
th - ose	those
th - e	the
th - ese	these
th - ere	there
th - ey	they
th - eir	their

Spelling lists

th

ba - th	bath
pa - th	path
wi - th	with
pi - th	pith
clo - th	cloth
bro - th	broth
ten - th	tenth
fif - th	fifth
six - th	sixth
nin - th	ninth
dep - th	depth

Spelling lists

sh

sh - ed

shed

sh - ip

ship

sh - op

shop

sh - ut

shut

sh - ell

shell

sh - in

shin

sh - all

shall

sh - ift

shift

sh - ock

shock

sh - elf

shelf

Spelling lists

sh

a - sh	ash
ma - sh	mash
fi - sh	fish
wi - sh	wish
bu - sh	bush
pu - sh	push
da - sh	dash
sla - sh	slash
fre - sh	fresh
bru - sh	brush
tra - sh	trash
fini - sh	finish

Spelling lists

Joining together with r

br - ick brick

br - ing bring

cr - ack crack

cr - isp crisp

dr - op drop

dr - ess dress

dr - um drum

fr - og frog

fr - om from

Spelling lists

Joining together with l

bl - ot blot

bl - ack black

bl - ed bled

cl - ap clap

cl - ock clock

fl - ag flag

fl - at flat

fl - ask flask

gl - ad glad

Spelling lists

st	st - amp	stamp
	st - and	stand
	st - ink	stink
	fa - st	fast
	ne - st	nest
	fi - st	fist

Spelling lists

sl

sl - ed

sled

sl - ot

slot

sl - am

slam

sp

sp - in

spin

sp - ell

spell

sp - ot

spot

cla - sp

clasp

gra - sp

grasp

Spelling lists

sn

sn - ap

snap

sn - iff

sniff

sn - ug

snug

sm

sm - ash

smash

sm - ell

smell

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smog

sw

sw - im

swim

sw - ing

swing

sw - ept

swept

Spelling lists

sk

sk - in

skin

sk - ip

skip

sk - etch

sketch

ma - sk

mask

fla - sk

flask

bri - sk

brisk

tw

tw - in

twin

tw - it

twit

tw - ist

Spelling lists

squ

squ - are	square
squ - at	squat
squ - int	squint
squ - ash	squash
squ - awk	squawk
squ - id	squid
squ - irrel	squirrel
squ - eeze	squeeze

Spelling lists

spr

spr - ay

spray

spr - ing

spring

spr - ain

sprain

str

str - aw

straw

str - ing

string

str - eam

stream

Spelling lists

shr

shr - ed shred

shr - ug shrug

shr - iek shriek

shr - ill shrill

dw

dw - ell dwell

dw - arf dwarf

Spelling lists

ee	b - ee	bee
	b - ee - n	been
	gr - ee - n	green
	n - ee - d	need
	s - ee - n	seen
	f - ee - t	feet
	w - ee - k	week
	sl - ee - p	sleep
	k - ee - p	keep

Spelling lists

ea	s - ea	sea
	ea - t	eat
	s - ea - t	seat
	ea - ch	each
	b - ea - ch	beach
	cr - ea - m	cream
ai	n - ai - l	nail
	sn - ai - l	snail
	r - ai - n	rain
	tr - ai - n	train
	ag - ai - n	again

Spelling lists

ie

l - ie

lie

p - ie

pie

t - ie

tie

t - ie - d

tied

tr - ie - d

tried

cr - ie - d

cried

Spelling lists

oa	oa - k	oak
	s- oa - k	soak
	c- oa - t	coat
	g- oa - t	goat
	fl- oa - t	float
	thr- oa - t	throat
	r - oa - st	roast
	t - oa - st	toast

Spelling lists

a says 'a'

b - a - ke	bake
c - a - ke	cake
c - a - me	came
g - a - me	game
g - a - te	gate
l - a - te	late
pl - a - te	plate
br - a - ve	brave
sh - a - ve	shave
sp - a - de	spade

i says 'i'

f - i - ne	fine
w - i - ne	wine
l - i - ke	like
k - i - te	kite
f - i - ve	five
m - i - ne	mine
d - i - ve	dive
dr - i - ve	drive
b - i - te	bite
wh - i - te	white
r - i - de	ride
sl - i - de	slide
sm - i - le	smile

o says 'o'

b - o - ne	bone
c - o - ne	cone
n - o - se	nose
r - o - se	rose
cl - o - se	close
th - o - se	those

u says 'u'

u - se	use
c - u - be	cube
t - u - be	tube
c - u - te	cute
t - u - ne	tune
J - u - ne	June
fl - u - te	flute
r - u - le	rule

i-e'	l -i- k-e	like
	b -i- k-e	bike
	sm -i- l- e	smile
	pr -i- z-e	prize

Spelling lists

oo	b - oo - k	book
	c - oo - k	cook
	g - oo - d	good
	w - oo - d	wood
	f - oo - t	foot
	s - oo - n	soon

oo	z - oo	zoo
	b - oo - t	boot
	sh - oo - t	shoot
	c - oo - l	cool
	p - oo - l	pool
	m - oo - n	moon
	br - oo - k	brook

Spelling lists

igh

h - igh high

f - igh - t fight

l - igh - t light

n - igh - t night

br - igh - t bright

y says 'I'

b - y by

cr - y cry

tr - y try

sk - y sky

wh - y why

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