

Letters and Sounds

Phase Four Parent Information.

Children entering Phase Four will be able to represent each of the 42 **phonemes** by a **grapheme** and be able to **blend** phonemes to read **CVC** words and **segment** CVC words for spelling. They will have explored reading simple **two-syllable words** and **captions**. They will know their letter names and be able to read some **tricky words**.

The purpose of Phase Four is to consolidate children's knowledge of graphemes in reading and spelling words containing adjacent consonants and polysyllabic words.

Phase Four Graphemes

Grapheme (‘magic’ e or modifying e)	Example words
a-e	came made, race
e-e	these, Pete, theme
i-e	like, pine, time
o-e	bone, home, woke
u-e	cube, tube, cute

Tricky words to read

said, so, have, like, some, come, were, there, little, one, do, when, out, what.

Tricky words to spell

he, she, we, me, be, was, you, they, all, are, my, her.

100 high-frequency words in phases

Phase Four

Decodable words

went
it's
from
children
just
help

Tricky words

said
have
like
so
do
some
come
were
there
little
one
when
out
what

Please refer to the **Glossary** for an explanation of key terms.