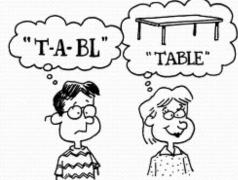


#### The Year 1 Phonics Screening Check.

#### What is Phonics?

Children are taught to read by breaking down words into separate sounds or 'phonemes'. They are then taught how to blend these sounds together to read the whole word.



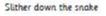


Around the apple and down the

leaf

#### My Sound Mat







Around the dinosaurs bottom and up to his neck



Down the tower, across the tower





All around the orange



Down the insects body and a

dot for his head.

Maisie, mountain, mountain

Curl around the caterpillar



Down Nobby and over his net

Down the kangaroo's body curl his tail and leg



Down the pirates plait and

around the pirates face

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



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







Slice into the egg, go over the top, then under the egg.



Down his body curl and dot





Down the horses head to his hooves and over his back

My Sound Mat



sh says the horse to the hissing snake



Down his back then curl over his arm



Down a horn, up a horn and under the yak's head



Down up, down up



The princess in the tower is saved by the horse, thank you!



Zig, zag, zig



Down the wing up the wing

Down the long leg

The horse sneezes when the caterpillars hairs get up his nose ch-ch-choo



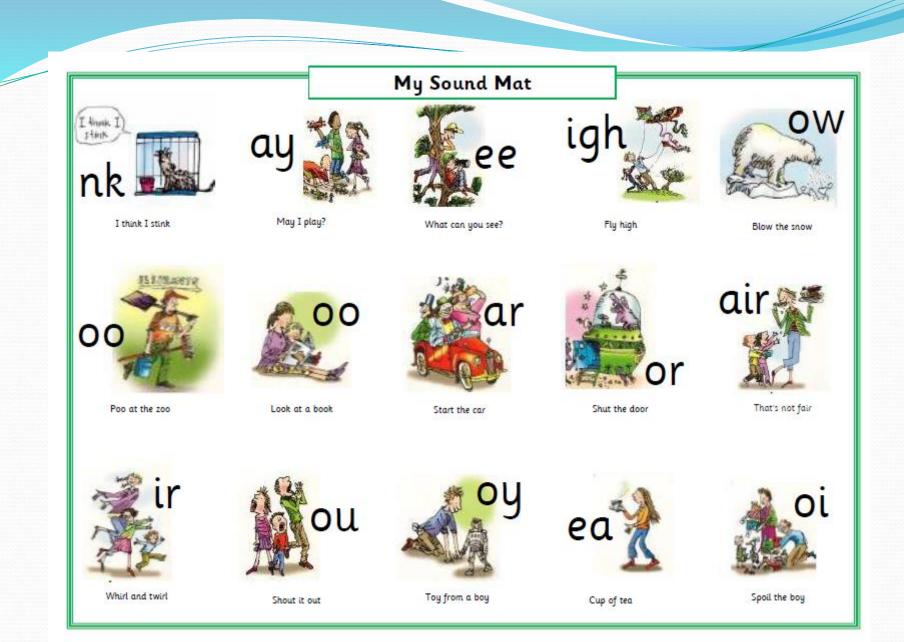
The queen never goes out without her umbrella

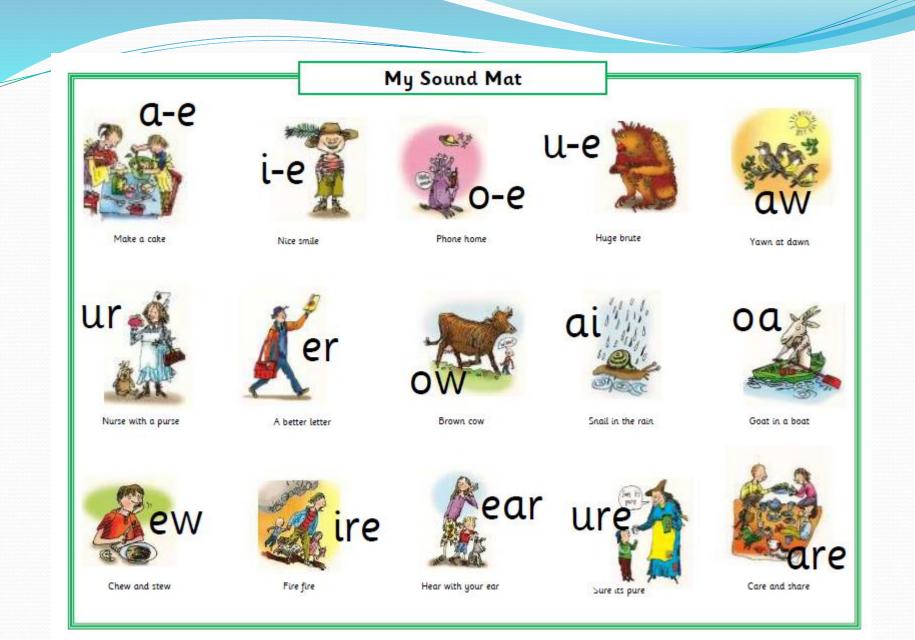


Down the arm and leg, repeat the other side



Thing on a string







#### What is the Screening Check?

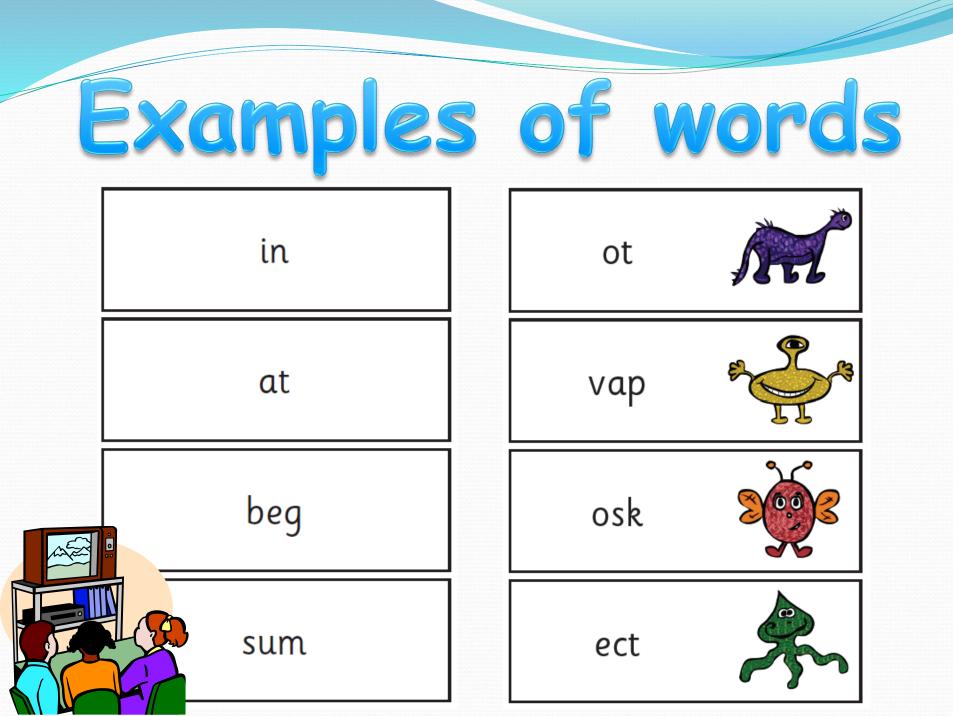
The National phonics screening check is a statutory assessment that was introduced in 2012 by the government for Year 1 pupils. It is a quick and easy check of your child's phonics knowledge.

The focus of the check is to provide evidence of children's decoding and blending skills, not to test their vocabulary.

Devery Year 1 child in the country will be taking the **statutory** phonics screening check in the same week.

#### What will the children do?

- The test is estimated to take 4 to 9 minutes to complete
- Pupils will be asked to 'sound out' a word and blend the sounds together. e.g. d-o-g dog dog dog dog
  The check will consist of 20 real words and 20 non-
- words
- Children will be told if the word is a real or 'alien' word, with a corresponding alien image.



#### How will it be administered?

Teachers will conduct all of the screening checks with the children;



- The children will complete the check one to one in a quiet area of the school;
- We are not permitted to indicate to the children at the time whether they have correctly sounded out and / or blended the word.

### And the results ...?

□ South Hill will be scored against a national standard (yet to be determined by DfE)

- We will inform you of whether they fall below or within this standard.
  - If your child's score falls below the national standard they can re-take the Phonics Screening Check in year 2.



#### When will it happen?

The screening (challenge!) will take place in June.



## How can you help?

Complete the homework tasks on your phonics grid.

Play the games in the packs available on the website.

Children can practise their phonics by playing games online.

The children particularly like -

- \* Buried Treasure
- \* Poopdeck Pirates
- \* Picnic on Pluto



How can you help? REMEMBER: Phonics is not the only way you become a good reader. Continue to read with your child each night

and encourage them to:

- Sound out, re-read to check it makes sense, and use pictures for clues.
- Ask questions about the book;



And most importantly ENJOY READING!

# Questions?



https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/phonics-screeningcheck-sample-materials-and-training-video