

Use the following children’s literature to reinforce the focus phoneme of each Sound Waves Spelling unit.

These books should be read aloud to early years students* as they are unlikely to have the word recognition skills required to read the texts independently.

By reading the stories aloud, you will help expand students’ vocabulary and background knowledge, which are required for language comprehension. It also familiarises them with different text types, models reading behaviours and establishes reading as an enjoyable activity.

We recommend using these books alongside the Sound Waves Decodable Readers to help early years students develop reading comprehension skills.

The Decodable Readers give students specific opportunities to apply their knowledge of phoneme–grapheme relationships and phonemic awareness, which over time leads to quick and accurate word recognition. See page 5 for more information about the Sound Waves Decodable Readers.

*The books listed are also suitable for upper years students to read independently.

Phoneme	Title	Author/s	Illustrator/s
	Mr McGee and the Big Bag of Bread	Pamela Allen	Pamela Allen
	Did You Take the B From My _ook?	Beck Stanton, Matt Stanton	Beck Stanton, Matt Stanton
	Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?	Bill Martin Jr	Eric Carle
	Barney	Catherine Jinks	Stephen Michael King
	Benny Bungarra’s Big Bush Clean-Up	Sally Morgan	Ambelin Kwaymullina
	Blue, the Builder’s Dog	Jen Storer	Andrew Joyner
	The Koala Who Could	Rachel Bright	Jim Field
	Not Cute	Philip Bunting	Philip Bunting
	Macca the Backpacker	Matt Cosgrove	Matt Cosgrove
	Cows Can’t Fly	David Milgrim	David Milgrim
	I’m Fabulous Crab!	Nicki Greenberg	Nicki Greenberg
	Clancy the Quokka	Lili Wilkinson	Alison Mutton
	Lucky and Spike	Norma MacDonald	Norma MacDonald
	I’m a Dirty Dinosaur	Janeen Brian	Ann James
	Odd Dog Out	Rob Biddulph	Rob Biddulph
	Diary of a Wombat	Jackie French	Bruce Whatley
	Mrs White and the Red Desert	Josie Boyle	Maggie Prewett
	Davy and the Duckling	Margaret Wild	Julie Vivas
	Why Can’t I be a Dinosaur?	Kylie Westaway	Tom Jellett
	Dinosaur Day Out	Sara Acton	Sara Acton
	Dingoes are Not Dogs	Chris Sarra	Cherbourg State School students
The Diddle That Dummed	Kes Gray	Fred Blunt	
	No One Likes a Fart	Zoë Foster Blake	Adam Nickel
	The Foot Book	Dr Seuss	Dr Seuss
	Floof	Heidi McKinnon	Heidi McKinnon
	Pig the Pug	Aaron Blabey	Aaron Blabey
	Waddle Giggle Gargle!	Pamela Allen	Pamela Allen
	Frog on a Log in a Bog	Andy Griffiths	Terry Denton
	Three Billy Goats Gruff	Nick Bland	Nick Bland
	The Gruffalo	Julia Donaldson	Axel Scheffler
	Goodnight, Glow Worms	Aura Parker	Aura Parker
	I Want My Hat Back	Jon Klassen	Jon Klassen
	Hooray! There’s a Hippopotamus on Our Roof Having a Birthday Party	Hazel Edwards	Deborah Niland

Recommended Stories



Phoneme	Title	Author/s	Illustrator/s
	Jazzy in the Jungle	Lucy Cousins	Lucy Cousins
	Jetty Jumping	Andrea Rowe	Hannah Sommerville
	Nannie Loves	Kylie Dunstan	Kylie Dunstan
	Leaping Lola	Tracey Hawkins	Anil Tortop
	Wonderful Shoes	Emma Bowd	Tania McCartney
	The River	Sally Morgan	Johnny Warrkatja Malibirr
	Coming Home to Country	Bronwyn Bancroft	Bronwyn Bancroft
	Blue Whale Blues	Peter Carnavas	Peter Carnavas
	Mr Chicken Lands on London	Leigh Hobbs	Leigh Hobbs
	Ella's Umbrellas	Jennifer Lloyd	Ashley Spires
Mulga Bill's Bicycle	A.B. Paterson	Kilmeny Niland, Deborah Niland	
	Marvin Wanted More!	Joseph Theobald	Joseph Theobald
	Romping Monsters, Stomping Monsters	Jane Yolen	Kelly Murphy
	Two Mates	Melanie Prewett	Maggie Prewett
	No! Never!	Libby Hathorn, Lisa Hathorn-Jarman	Mel Pearce
	Where is Nana?	Cherbourg State School, Murgon State School, St Joseph's Primary School students	Cherbourg State School, Murgon State School, St Joseph's Primary School students, Venus Rabbitt, Robert Langton, Ricky Morgan
	My Nanna is a Ninja	Damon Young	Peter Carnavas
	Going to the Footy	Debbie Coombes	Debbie Coombes
	The Silly Seabed Song	Aura Parker	Aura Parker
	Puddles are for Jumping	Kylie Dunstan	Kylie Dunstan
	All the Ways to be Smart	Davina Bell	Allison Colpoys
	Sharing	Fay Stewart-Muir, Sue Lawson	Leanne Mulgo Watson
	The Singing Mermaid	Julia Donaldson	Lydia Monks
	Kindness Makes Us Strong	Sophie Beer	Sophie Beer
Magic Beach	Alison Lester	Alison Lester	
	A Pair of Pears and an Orange	Anna McGregor	Anna McGregor
	Too Many Pears!	Jackie French	Bruce Whatley
	Jump Over the Puddle	Emma Quay	Anna Walker
	The Terrible Plop	Ursula Dubosarsky	Andrew Joyner
	Ribbit Rabbit Robot	Victoria Mackinlay	Sofya Karmazina
	Loongie the Greedy Crocodile	Lucy Dann, Kiefer Dann	Bronwyn Houston
	"Slowly, Slowly, Slowly", Said the Sloth	Eric Carle	Eric Carle
	Celeste Sails to Spain	Alison Lester	Alison Lester
	Spinifex Mouse	Norma MacDonald	Norma MacDonald
	Bat vs Poss	Alexa Moses	Anil Tortop
	Stellarphant	James Foley	James Foley
	Bear in Space	Deborah Abela	Marjorie Crosby-Fairall
	Funky Chicken: Chooks in Space	Chris Collin	Megan Kitchin
	Something Wonderful	Raewyn Caisley	Karen Blair
	Superworm	Julia Donaldson	Axel Scheffler
	Goodnight, Mice!	Frances Watts	Judy Watson
	Sing Me the Summer	Jane Godwin	Alison Lester

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	Three Billy Goats Gruff	Nick Bland	Nick Bland
	The Tiger Who Came to Tea	Judith Kerr	Judith Kerr
	Tricky's Bad Day	Alison Lester	Alison Lester
	Boomerang and Bat	Mark Greenwood	Terry Denton
	The Smallest Turtle	Lynley Dodd	Lynley Dodd
	The Toast Tree	Corina Martin	Fern Martins
	The Very Busy Spider	Eric Carle	Eric Carle
	I Love Me	Sally Morgan	Ambelin Kwaymullina
	Koalas Eat Gum Leaves	Laura Bunting	Philip Bunting
	Where the Wild Things Are	Maurice Sendak	Maurice Sendak
	We're Going on a Bear Hunt	Michael Rosen	Helen Oxenbury
	Soon	Libby Gleeson	Jedda Robaard
	Do Not Open This Book	Andy Lee	Heath McKenzie
	You Might Find Yourself	Tai Snaith	Tai Snaith
	The Littlest Yak	Lu Fraser	Kate Hindley
	Hairy Maclary and Zachary Quack	Lynley Dodd	Lynley Dodd
	The Zebra Who Ran Too Fast	Jenni Desmond	Jenni Desmond
	The Nose Book	Al Perkins	Joe Mathieu
	All My Treasures: A Book of Joy	Jo Witek	Christine Roussey
	We're Going on a Treasure Hunt	Kelly DiPucchio	Jay Fleck
	The Treasure of Pirate Frank	Mal Peet, Elspeth Graham	Jez Tuya
	Where, Oh Where, is Rosie's Chick?	Pat Hutchins	Pat Hutchins
	Munch	Emma McCann	Emma McCann
	Choo Choo	Virginia Lee Burton	Virginia Lee Burton
	I am Jellyfish	Ruth Paul	Ruth Paul
	Hooray for Fish!	Lucy Cousins	Lucy Cousins
	Sharing a Shell	Julia Donaldson	Lydia Monks
	The Sloth Who Came to Stay	Margaret Wild	Vivienne To
	Grandpa's Teeth	Rod Clement	Rod Clement
	The Red Feather	Ben Kitchin	Owen Swan
	This Girl, That Girl	Charlotte Lance	Charlotte Lance
	I Got This Hat	Jol Temple, Kate Temple	Jon Foye
	That Cat	Jacqueline Harvey	Kate Isobel Scott
	Crabbing with Dad	Paul Seden	Paul Seden
	Tabby McTat	Julia Donaldson	Axel Scheffler
	Alpacas with Maracas	Matt Cosgrove	Matt Cosgrove
	Who Fed Zed?	Amelia McInerney	Adam Nickel
	Take Ted Instead	Cassandra Webb	Amanda Francey
	My Friend Fred	Frances Watts	A. Yi
	Bin Chicken	Kate Temple, Jol Temple	Ronojoy Ghosh
	Pig the Winner	Aaron Blabey	Aaron Blabey
	Pig in a Wig	Chrissie Krebs	Chrissie Krebs

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	Frog on a Log in a Bog	Andy Griffiths	Terry Denton
	Oi Frog!	Kes Gray	Jim Field
	Oi Dog!	Kes Gray, Claire Gray	Jim Field
	The Very Hungry Caterpillar	Eric Carle	Eric Carle
	Duck in the Truck	Jez Alborough	Jez Alborough
	Don't Hug Doug (He Doesn't Like It)	Carrie Finison	Daniel Wiseman
	The Snail and the Whale	Julia Donaldson	Axel Scheffler
	No Way Yirrikipayi!	Milikapiti School students, Alison Lester	Milikapiti School students, Alison Lester
	Dave's Cave	Frann Preston-Gannon	Frann Preston-Gannon
	Our Home, Our Heartbeat	Adam Briggs	Kate Moon, Rachael Sarra
	Go Home, Cheeky Animals!	Johanna Bell	Dion Beasley
	Noni the Pony	Alison Lester	Alison Lester
	Noni the Pony Rescues a Joey	Alison Lester	Alison Lester
	Noni the Pony Goes to the Beach	Alison Lester	Alison Lester
	Mr McGee Goes to Sea	Pamela Allen	Pamela Allen
	Pete the Sheep	Jackie French	Bruce Whatley
	Little Green Donkey	Anuska Allepuz	Anuska Allepuz
	The Last Peach	Gus Gordon	Gus Gordon
	Sheep in a Jeep	Nancy Shaw	Margot Apple
Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas	Lucinda Gifford	Lucinda Gifford	
	In the Dead of the Night	Arthur McBain	Tom Knight
	Mike I Don't Like	Jol Temple, Kate Temple	Jon Foye
	Little Tiger's Big Holiday	Mark Marshall	Mark Marshall
	Goodbye House, Hello House	Margaret Wild	Ann James
	Mopoke	Philip Bunting	Philip Bunting
	The Snow Wombat	Susannah Chambers	Mark Jackson
	Pearl Barley and Charley Parsley	Aaron Blabey	Aaron Blabey
	The Bark Book	Victoria Mackinlay	Beth Harvey
	You Were the First	Patricia MacLachlan	Stephanie Graegin
	The Bird in the Herd	Kathryn Apel	Renée Trembl
	Too Many Cheeky Dogs	Johanna Bell	Dion Beasley
	Saved!!!	Lydia Williams	Lucinda Gifford
	Grumpycorn	Sarah McIntyre	Sarah McIntyre
	Don't Push the Button!	Bill Cotter	Bill Cotter
	It Looked Like Spilt Milk	Charles G. Shaw	Charles G. Shaw
	Green Eggs and Ham	Dr Seuss	Dr Seuss
	My Deadly Boots	Carl Merrison, Hakea Hustler	Samantha Campbell
	Wombat Stew	Marcia K. Vaughan	Pamela Lofts
	We Love You, Magoo	Briony Stewart	Briony Stewart
	Busting!	Aaron Blabey	Aaron Blabey
	Yak and Gnu	Juliette MacIver	Cat Chapman

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	Cowzat!	Bruce Atherton	Ben Redlich
	Red House, Blue House, Green House, Tree House!	Jane Godwin	Jane Reiseger
	Owl Know How	Cat Rabbit, Isobel Knowles	Cat Rabbit, Isobel Knowles
	Kipper's Toybox	Mick Inkpen	Mick Inkpen
	The Wolf Who Cried Boy!	James O'Neill	Russell Ayto
	Rosie Revere, Engineer	Andrea Beaty	David Roberts
	Meerkat Choir	Nicki Greenberg	Nicki Greenberg
	Johnny's Beard	Michelle Worthington	Katrin Dreiling
	There is Something Weird in Santa's Beard	Chrissie Krebs	Chrissie Krebs
	The Very Itchy Bear	Nick Bland	Nick Bland
	The Pear in the Pear Tree	Pamela Allen	Pamela Allen
	Where is Bear?	Jonathan Bentley	Jonathan Bentley
	Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy	Lynley Dodd	Lynley Dodd
	Scaredy Bath	Zoë Foster Blake	Daniel Gray-Barnett
	Quick as a Wink, Fairy Pink	Lesley Gibbes	Sara Acton
	Dreamers	Ezekiel Kwaymullina	Sally Morgan
	The Ricker Racker Club	Patrick Guest	Nathaniel Eckstrom
	Brothers From a Different Mother	Phillip Gwynne	Marjorie Crosby-Fairall

Decodable Readers with a difference

Our companion series, Sound Waves Reading, consists of a carefully curated suite of Decodable Readers.

These books perfectly align with the Sound Waves Spelling teaching sequence and are available in three levels of difficulty: support, core and extended.

Find out more at www.fireflyeducation.com.au/soundwavesreading.

Sound Waves Decodable Readers are available for Foundation and they will be available for Year 1 in Term 3, 2023.



