

Jolly Phonics Program - Overview

Letter Groups

Group 1: s, a, t, i, p, n

Group 2: c k, e, h, r, m, d

Group 3: g, o, u, l, f, b

Group 4: ai, j, oa, ie, ee, or

Group 5: z, w, ng, v, little oo, long oo

Group 6: y, x, ch, sh, voiced th, unvoiced th

Group 7: qu, ou, oi, ue, er, ar

Important: There are two types of sounds in English. Some are pure continuous sounds like ssssss, ffffff, rrrrrrrrrr, mmmmm, nnnnnn and vvvvvv. Other sounds have a schwa - like an 'uh' sound at the end of the letter sound. Like 'b' cannot be said without a schwa at the end. It is recommended that the letter sound is made with as little schwa as possible.

Writing Letters

Letters with Sticks: b, d, f, h, k, l, t

Letters with Tails: f, g, j, p, q, y

Letters that Go Down First: b, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, p, r, t, u, v, w, x

Letters that Go towards End of Page: e, z

Caterpillar Letters: c, a, d, o, g, p

Note: *There is an exit stroke at the end of most of the letters for joining.*

Blending

Initial Consonant Blends

Bl, cl, fl, pl, sl, br, cr, dr, fr, gr, pr, tr, st, sc, sm, sn, tw, shr, thr, scr, spr, str

Examples: bran, clap, clip, club, flag, flat, flap, flip, glad, plan, plug, plum, plot, slap, slim, slug, crab, crop, drag, drip, drop, drug, drum, frog, from, grab, grim, grip, print, prop, trim, trap, trip, smog, snap, snip, snug, swam, swim, swum, twig, twin

Final Consonant Blends

Lb, ld, lf, lk, lm, ln, lp, lt, ct, ft, nt, pt, xt, mp, nd