

'Sound Blending Group A'

Before your child can start to read, they need to learn to: say the sound that is represented by each letter or groups of letters. These are called 'speed sounds.' They also need to know how to blend the sounds together in a word to read **it e.g. c-a-t -> cat**. This is called 'sound-blending'.

In Read Write Inc. phonics, we use the term 'speed sounds' - because we want your child to read them effortlessly. In this Read Write Inc. group children will be taught to read the first 16 Set 1 sounds and orally blend the matching words. Children will be working on the 'Sound Blending books'.

> When your child learns their Set 1 sounds in school, they will learn: • the letters that represent a speed sound e.g. 'm'

• a simple picture prompt linked to the 'speed sound' and a short phrase to say e.g. 'Maisie, mountain, mountain'.

Set 1 Sounds are taught in the following order masdtinpgockubfelhshrjvywthzchquxngnk.

Before your child progresses to the next group, they will need to consolidate all the single letter sounds in Set 1 and continue to practise their blending skills. The progress of all children is tracked carefully and one to one provision will be given to support your child if necessary.