

Phonics Glossary

Common language used in phonics at Headley Park

<p>Phoneme The smallest unit of sound in a word - often referred to as a sound.</p>	<p>Grapheme A letter or sequence of letters that represent a phoneme (The written form of a sound.)</p>	<p>GPC (Grapheme-phoneme correspondence) The match between a phoneme and grapheme.</p>
<p>Digraph A phoneme that is represented by two letters. (Two letters make one sound)</p>	<p>Trigraph A phoneme that is represented by three letters.</p>	<p>Vowel digraph Vowel digraphs are two vowels that when placed together generate one sound.</p>
<p>Adjacent consonants Consonants blended together when reading a word.</p>	<p>Split vowel digraphs A digraph that is separated by one or more consonants within a word. E.g, make.</p>	<p>Alternate graphemes Different representations of a phoneme in a word.</p>
<p>Polysyllabic word A word with more than one syllable.</p>	<p>Blending Say individual phonemes, put together to make a word.</p>	<p>Oral blending Say phonemes in the word and blend in your head or out loud. Can you get your c-oa-t?</p>
	<p>Segmenting Breaking words or parts of words into phonemes.</p>	<p>CEW Common exception words are words where the usual spelling rule doesn't apply.</p>