

# Jolly Phonics Flash Cards

This pack of Jolly Phonics Flashcards is made up of 56 cards - 43 regular word blending cards and 13 alternative word blending cards.

Dots placed under the pictures represent the number of sounds within the relevant word and will help children to blend the sounds into words.

(NB Ensure that you encourage your child to learn the letters by their sounds, not their names eg the letter 'a' should sound as 'a' in 'ant')

## How to use the Jolly Phonics Flashcards

There are a number of different ways to use these cards.

See below for some ideas:

- Split the cards up into their different sound groups (see below for the 7 different groups of regular sounds, and the 13 alternative sounds). Look at each group with your child in the same order as the sound groups. First practise saying the sounds together. Then look at the word examples and see how the sounds fit into them. You might want to leave the alternative sounds until your child is confident with the 7 regular groups.
- Look at the pictures, breaking the words down into their different sounds, using the dots to work out how many different sounds there are in each word. Then look at the words and see how they are made up. Your child will soon begin to spell out the words using the sounds without having to look at the written word.
- Help your child trace over the letter shapes with their finger to learn how to write them.
- Once your child has got used to the different sounds, ask him or her to write down the words. Make sure you say the words very slowly and clearly, emphasising the different sounds until your child gets used to hearing them.
- Help your child look for other words around the home or in books and try to work out the letter sounds. Sound them out with your child, then see if they can write them down correctly.
- Remember, always praise your child for his or her efforts even if they are not always correct. A feeling of success in a child will encourage them to want to learn more.

### Regular Jolly Phonics letter sound groups

1. s a t i p n
2. c k e h r m d
3. g o u l f b
4. ai j oa ie ee or
5. z w ng v oo oo (see below)  
'oo' - there are 2 'oo' sounds, a short sound as in 'look', and a long sound as in 'room'
6. y x ch sh th th (see below)  
'th' - there are 2 'th' sounds, a soft sound as in 'feather' and a hard sound as in 'moth'
7. qu ou oi ue er ar

### Alternative Jolly Phonics vowel letter sounds

1. a-e (gate)
2. ay (hay)
3. ea (leaf)
4. i-e (kite)
5. y (fly)
6. igh (light)
7. o-e (bone)
8. u-e (cube)
9. ir (girl)
10. ur (purse)
11. oy (boy)
12. ow (owl)
13. al (chalk)

For a full and complete understanding of the Jolly Phonics reading system we recommend the use of the Jolly Phonics workbooks, available at all ELC stores

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