



St Aidan's

Church of England Primary Academy

A member of **CDARI**

'I came that they may have life and live it to the full' John 10.10



Parent's Meeting Phonics Screening Check

Our scheme...

We're teaching every child to read with Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised

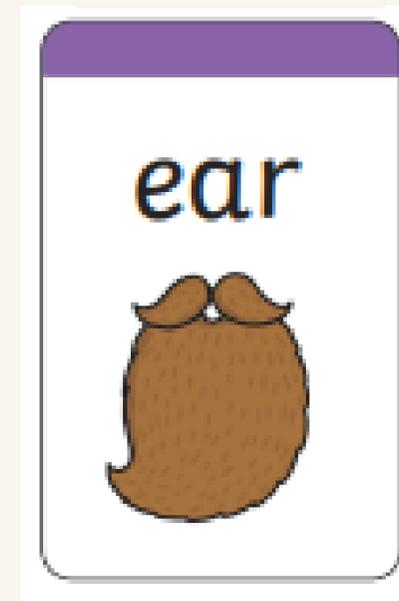
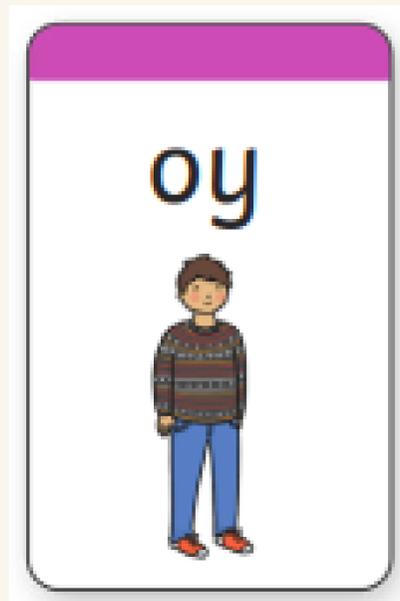
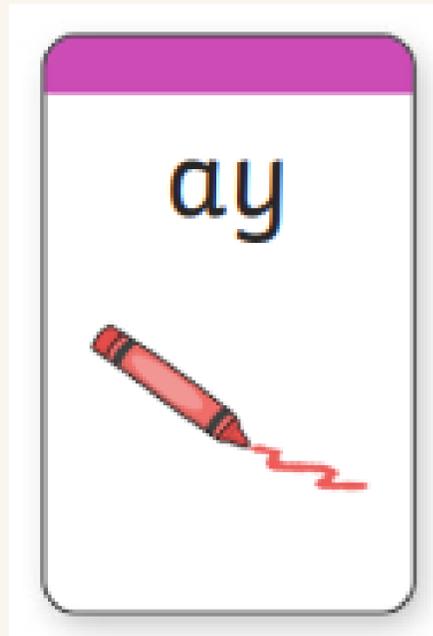
A complete SSP validated by the Department for Education



Important vocabulary...

Digraph - Two letters one sound

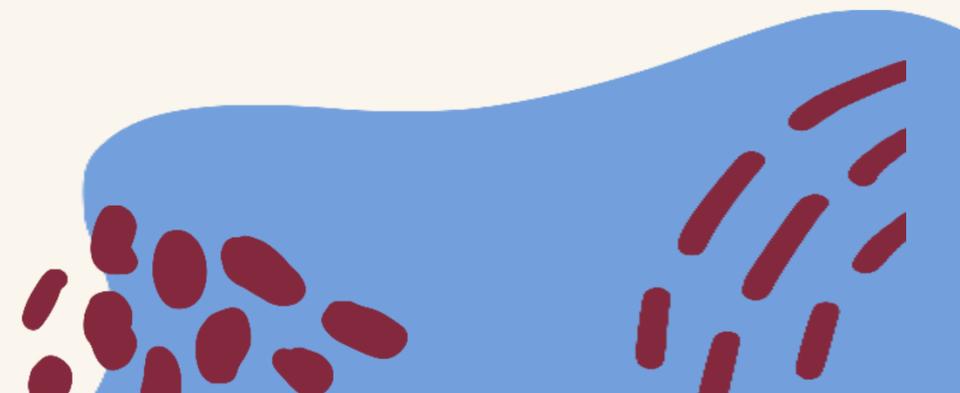
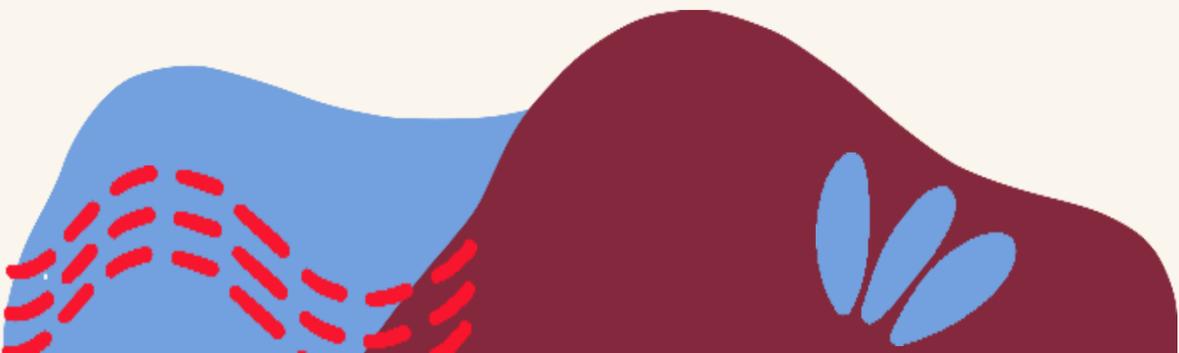
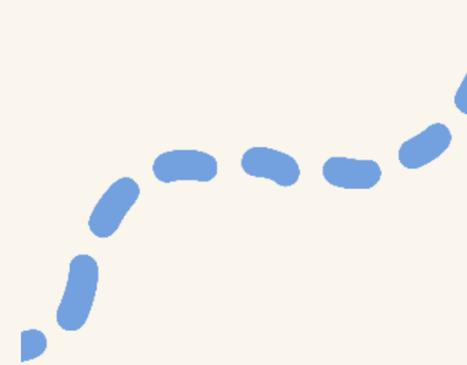
Trigraph - Three letters one sound



Please ask them to spot these when reading!

Phonics Screening Check

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When will the phonics screening check take place?

The 2026 Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 pupils (and Year 2 retakes) in England will take place during the week commencing Monday, June 8, 2026. Schools are required to administer the check within this one-week period, with a retake/absentee window provided in the following week.



How will the phonics screening check take place?

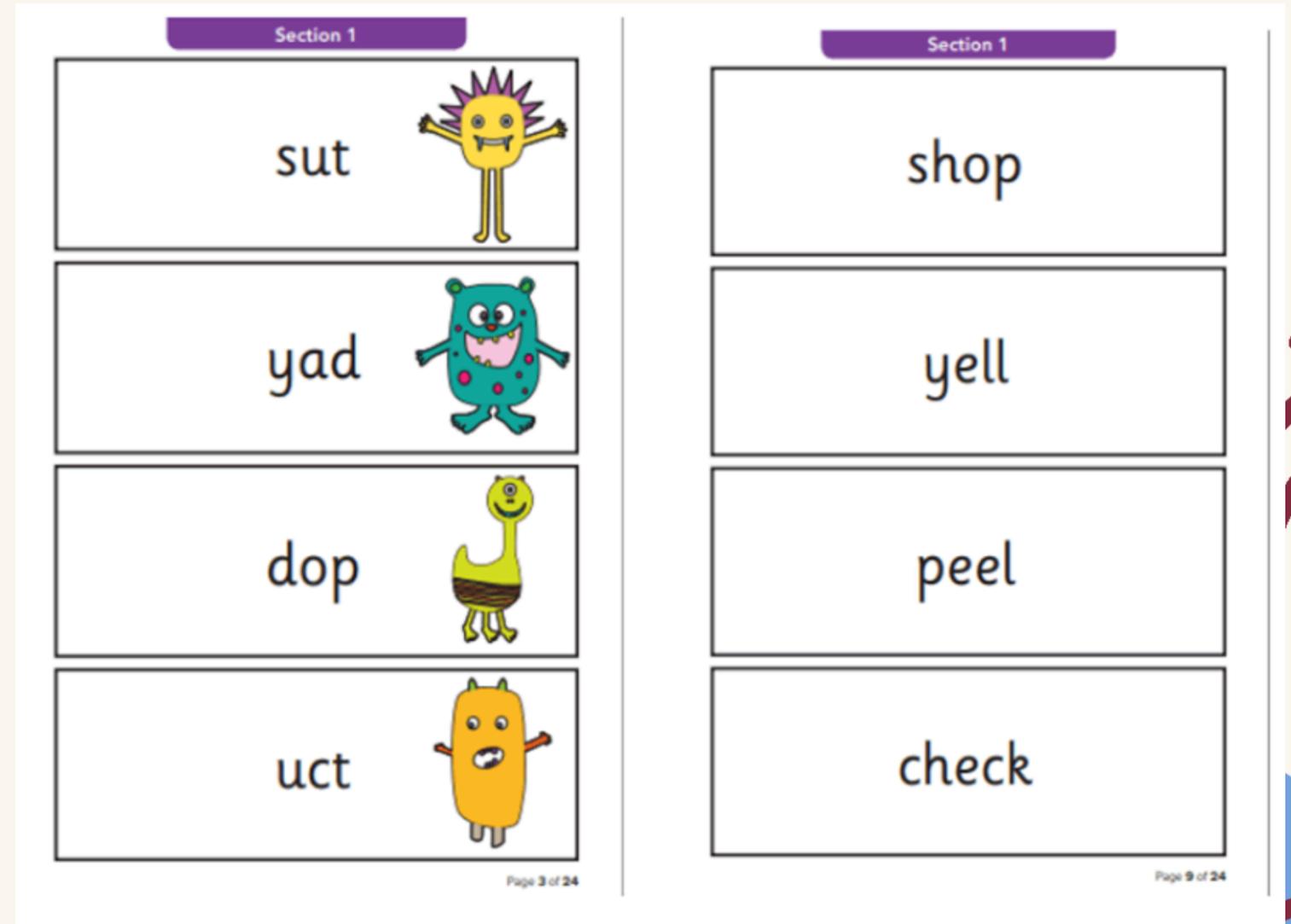
- Your child will sit with a member of staff that they know (Mrs Harrison)
- They will be asked to read 40 words aloud.
- This takes just a few minutes to complete, but there is no time limit.
- If your child is struggling, the teacher will stop.
- It has been carefully designed not to be stressful for your child.



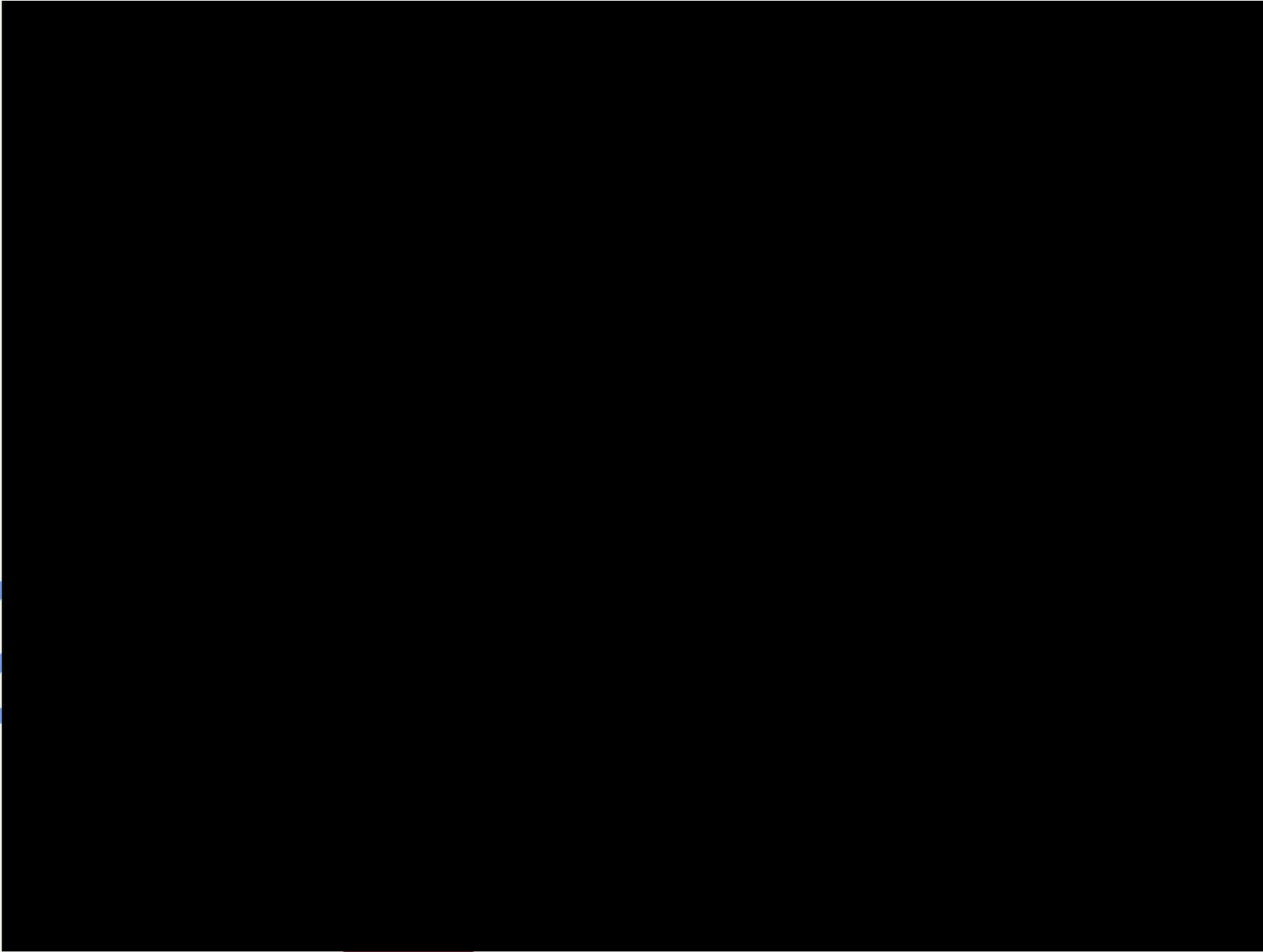
What is the Phonics Screening Check?

- It is a check of your child's phonics knowledge.
- It is **not** designed to create any stress or anxiety for your child.
- It assesses decoding skills using phonics.
- It consists of 40 words (20 real words, 20 'alien words').

If children do not achieve the required score in Year 1, they will retake the screening at the end of Year 2.



What are 'alien words'?



The most important thing you can do is read...

Reading a book and chatting had a positive impact a year later on children's ability to...

- understand words and sentences
- use a wide range of vocabulary
- develop listening comprehension skills.

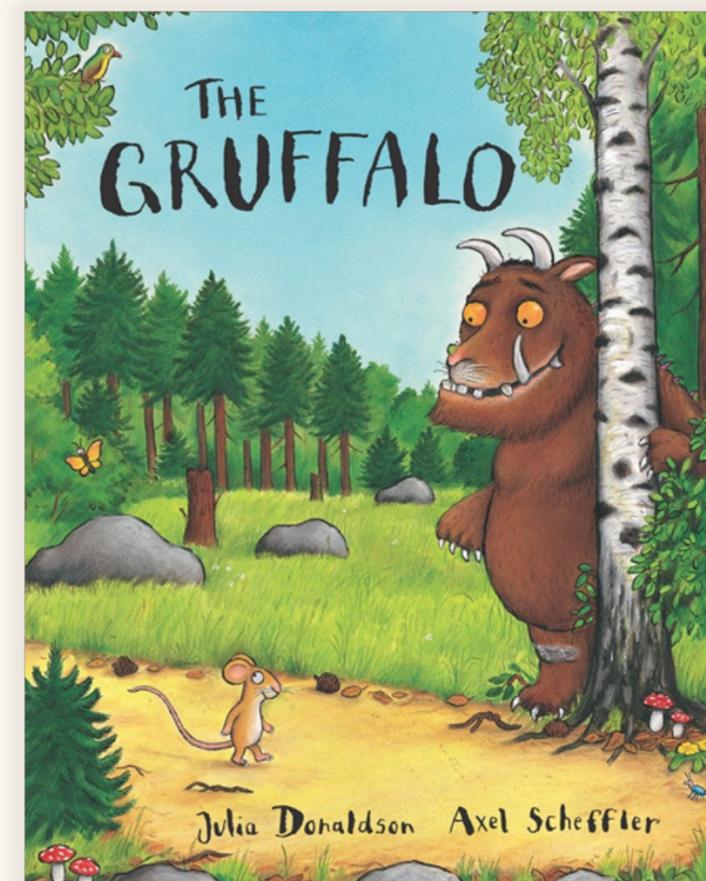
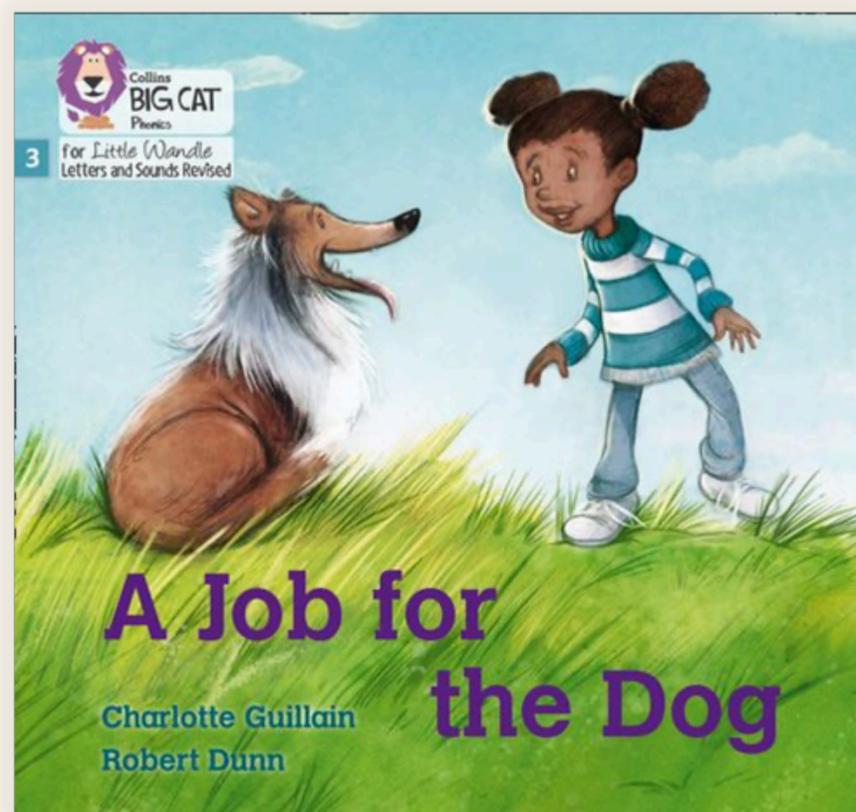
The number of books children were exposed to by age 6 was a positive predictor of their reading ability two years later.



Books coming home...

As well as the 'learning to read' book that your child will bring home they will also bring home a book for sharing with you.

This book is SO important. This is how we are going to give them the WILL to read.



Supporting phonics at home!

Videos



Phase 2 sounds taught in
Reception Autumn 1



Phase 2 sounds taught in
Reception Autumn 2

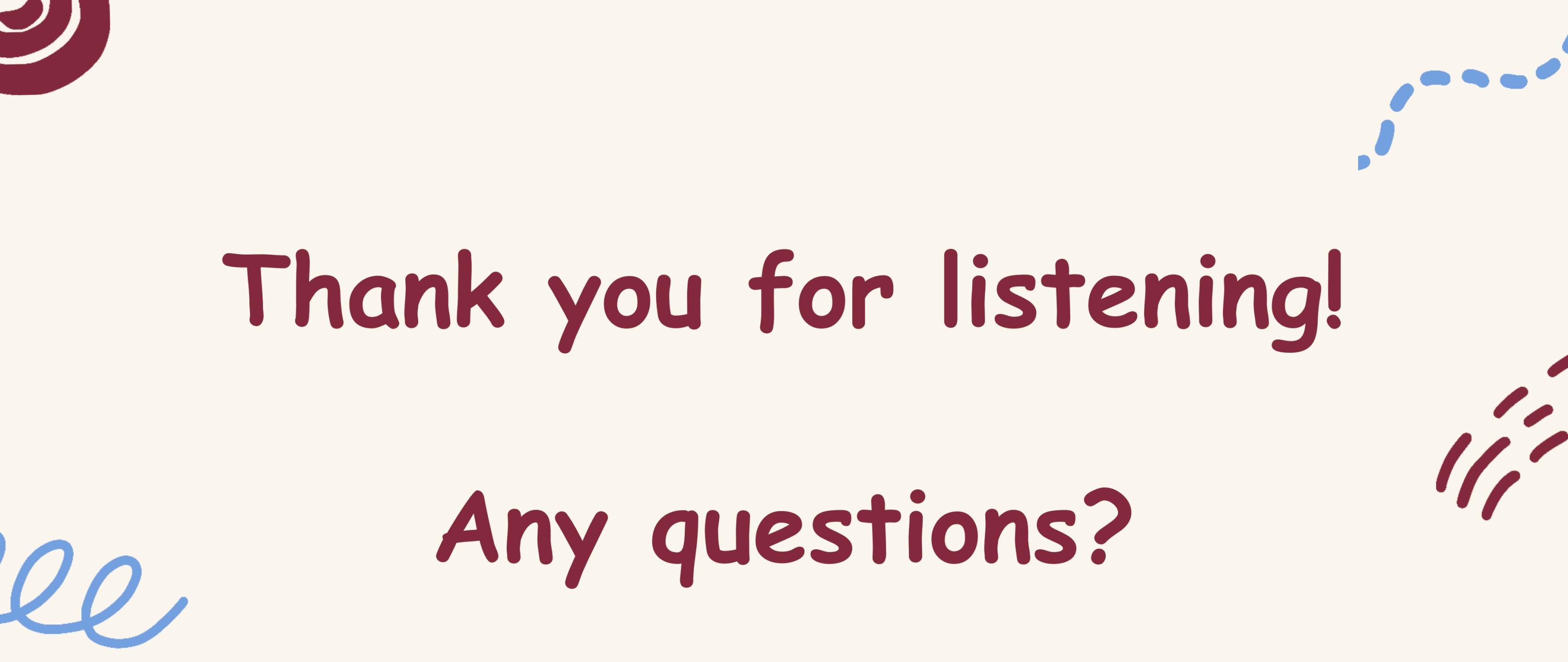


Phase 3 sounds taught in
Reception Spring 1



How to say Phase 5 sounds

Please use our school website!



Thank you for listening!

Any questions?

