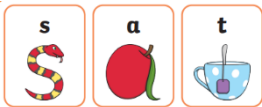




## Key Phonics Vocabulary



<u>Word</u>	<u>What does it mean?</u>
phoneme	smallest unit of sound in a word
grapheme	Symbol of a phoneme, this could be a letter or a group or letters (e.g. th, ng, i_e)
Grapheme-Phoneme Correspondence (GPCs)	the relationship between sounds and the letter or letters that represent that sound
blending	Building up of words from individual phonemes for reading
segmenting	Breaking down words into individual phonemes for writing
Tricky Words (Common Exception Words)	Words that are not decodable at the child's current phonic level of understanding
Digraph	Two letters that work together to make one sound (ee)
trigraph	Three letters that work together to make one sound (igh)
split digraph	A digraph that is split by a consonant. Some examples include 'a_e' (cake), 'i_e' (five), 'o_e' (code), 'e_e' (sphere) and 'u_e.'
Visual mnemonic 	An illustration that is designed to support children's recognition of GPCs
Decoding	Applying knowledge of letter sound relationships in order to blend for reading.