











Mnemonic system


A mnemonic system is a way of helping children to remember letter-sound correspondences. The words for the key pictures are not decodable at the point of introduction – the pictures are serving as a visual and oral mnemonic to help children recall the focus letter-sound. See attachment

Reception:
















Sound	Grapheme	Picture	Word
/s/	s		sun
/a/	a		apple
/t/	t		tap
/i/	i		insect
/p/	p		pan
/n/	n		net
/m/	m		mouse
/d/	d		dog
/g/	g		goat
/o/	o		octopus
/k/	c		cat
/k/	k		kite

Sound	Grapheme	Picture	Word
/k/	ck		duck
/e/	e		elephant
/u/	u		umbrella
/r/	r		rabbit
/h/	h		hat
/b/	b		bat
/f/	f		frog
/f/	ff		cliff
/l/	l		ladder
/l/	ll		shell
/s/	ss		dress
/j/	i		jug
/v/	v		van
/w/	w		web
/k+s/	x		fox




















Sound	Grapheme	Picture	Word
/y/	y		yellow
/z/	z		zebra
/z/	zz		fizzy
/k+w/	qu		queen
/ch/	ch		chick
/sh/	sh		sheep
/th/	th		thumb and feather
/n+g/	ng		ring
/ai/	ai		train
/ee/	ee		bee
/igh/	igh		light
/oa/	oa		boat
short /oo/	oo		book
long /oo/	oo		moon
/ar/	ar		car


















Sound	Grapheme	Picture	Word
/or/	or		fork
/ur/	ur		purse
/ou/	ow		owl
/oi/	oi		coin
/eer/	ear		ear
/air/	air		chair
/y+oor/	ure		manure
/uh/	er		hammer
/w/	wh		wheel
/f/	ph		dolphin
/ai/	ay		crayon
/ai/	a-e		cake
/ai/	a		acorn
/ee/	e-e		scene
/ee/	ie		shield
/ee/	ea		peach

Year 1:

Sound	Grapheme	Picture	Word
/igh/	i		child
/igh/	i-e		time
/igh/	ie		pie
/igh/	y		spy
/oa/	o-e		rope
/oa/	ow		snow
/oa/	oe		toe
/oa/	o		piano
/ee/	y		happy
/ee/	ey		key
/y+oo/	u		unicorn
short /oo/	u		push
/y+oo/	u-e		cube
long /oo/	u-e		flute
/y+oo/	ue		statue









long /oo/	ue		blue
/y+oo/	ew		news
long /oo/	ew		screw
/ut/	er		herbs
/ut/	ir		bird
/ou/	ou		cloud
/oi/	oy		toy
/oi/	au		astronaut
/oi/	aw		strawberry
/oa/	ou		shoulder
long /oo/	ou		soup
short /oo/	oul		should
/at/	a		father
/at/	al		palm
/ut/	ear		earth
/ut/	or		world
/eer/	eer		deer
/eer/	ere		here
/air/	are		square

/aɪr/	ear		bear
/aɪr/	ere		there
/ɔr/	al		ball
/ɔr/	our		four
/ɔr/	ore		snore
/ɔr/	oor		door
/ɔr/	augh		daughter
/s/	c		celery
/j/	g		giraffe
/e/	ea		bread
/s/	se		house
/s/	ce		fence
/k/	ch		school
/ʃ/	ch		chef
/j/	dge		bridge
/j/	ge		package
/ʊh/	o		mother
/ʊl/	le		bottle
/ɪ/	ed		mixed

/d/	ed		drilled
/m/	mb		comb
/n/	kn		knot
/n/	gn		sign
/r/	wr		writing
/ch/	tch		hatching
/zh/	s		treasure
/zh/	st		television
/zh/	ge		collage
/ch+u/	ture		picture
/t/	y		pyramid
/s/	sc		scissors
/s/	st		whistle
/o/	a		watch
/sh/	ti		station
/sh/	ci		musician
/sh/	ssi		percussion

Year 2

Alphabetic Code Chart							
sounds	graphemes or spelling alternatives that are code for the sounds						
/s/	s sun 	ss dress 	c celery 	se house 	ce fence 	sc scissors 	st whistle 
/a/	a apple 						
/t/	t tap 	tt kettle 	ed mixed 				
/i/	i insect 	y pyramid 					
/p/	p pan 						
/n/	n net 	nn kennel 	kn knot 	gn sign 			
/m/	m mouse 	mm hammer 	mb comb 				
/d/	d dog 	dd ladder 	ed drilled 				
/g/	g goat 						
/o/	o octopus 	(w)a watch 	(qu)a squash 				
/k/	c cat 	k kite 	ck duck 	ch school 			
/e/	e elephant 	ea bread 					
/u/	u umbrella 						
/r/	r rabbit 	rr carrot 	wr writing 				

/h/	h hat 						
/b/	b bat 						
/f/	f frog 	ff cliff 	ph dolphin 				
/l/	l ladder 	ll shell 	/ul/	le bottle 	il pencil 	al animal 	el camel 
/j/	j jug 	g giraffe 	dge bridge 	ge package 			
/v/	v van 	ve glove 					
/w/	w web 	wh wheel 					
/k+s/	x fox 						
/y/	y yellow 						
/z/	z zebra 	zz fizzy 					
/k+w/	qu queen 						
/ch/	ch chick 	tch hatching 		/ch+u/	ture picture 		
/sh/	sh sheep 	ch chef 	ti station 	ci musician 	ssi percussion 		
unvoiced /th/	th thumb 			voiced /th/	th feather 		
/ng/	ng ring 						
/ai/	ai train 	ay crayon 	a-e cake 	a acorn 			
	eigh eight 	ei reindeer 	ea break 	ey grey 			

/ee/	ee bee 	e-e scene 	ie shield 	ea peach 	y happy 	ey key 	e secret 
/igh/	igh light 	i child 	i-e time 	ie pie 	y spy 		
/oa/	oa boat 	o-e rope 	ow snow 	oe toe 	o piano 	ou shoulder 	
short /oo/	oo book 	u push 	oul should 				
long /oo/	oo moon 	u e flute 	ou soup 	ue blue 	ew screw 		
/ar/	ar car 	a father 	al palm 				
/or/	or fork 	au astronaut 	aw strawberry 	al ball 	our four 	ore snore 	oor door 
	augh daughter 	a water 	(w)ar wardrobe 	(qu)ar quarter 	oar oars 		
/ur/	ur purse 	er herbs 	ir bird 	ear earth 	or world 		
/ou/	ow owl 	ou cloud 					
/oi/	oi coin 	oy toy 					
/eer/	ear ear 	eer deer 	ere here 				
/air/	air chair 	are square 	ear bear 	ere there 			
/y+oo/	u unicorn 	u-e cube 	ue statue 	ew news 	/y+oor/ ure manure 		
/uh/	er hammer 	o mother 					
/zh/	s treasure 	si television 	ge collage 				