

Phonics Patterns

Pattern	Details	How to Mark Up
short vowels	The sound a vowel makes in a closed syllable.	put a breve over it ă ě ĭ ŏ ŭ
long vowels	- The sound a vowel makes in an open syllable, vowel-consonant-e syllable, and some vowel team syllables. - The vowel says its name.	put a macron over it ā ē ī ō ū
consonant blends	- Two or three consonants next to each other that make their own sounds. - A blend can be in the beginning, middle, or end of a word/syllable.	underline the letters separately <u>cl</u>ip <u>st</u>rap fa<u>st</u>
consonant blends with a silent letter	- Two consonants next to each other and one doesn't make any sound. - kn and wr are only at the beginning of a word/syllable - mb is only at the end of a word/syllable - gn can be at the beginning or end of a word/syllable	underline the letters separately <u>kn</u>it <u>gn</u>at lam<u>b</u> <u>wr</u>ite
digraphs (di=2)	- Two consonants next to each other that make one sound. - ch, sh, th can be in any position in a word. - wh is only at the beginning of a word/syllable. - ck is only at the end of a word/syllable.	underline the 2 letters together <u>sh</u>op t<u>uck</u> <u>wh</u>ip
trigraphs (tri=3)	- Three consonants next to each other that make one sound. -dge is only at the end of a word/syllable. -tch is only at the end of a word/syllable.	underline the 3 letters together bad<u>ge</u> <u>ftch</u>
welded sounds	- Two or three letters: a vowel followed by 1-2 consonants. - Each letter represents a sound, but the sounds are "glued", or stuck together, as one unit. - The individual sounds are hard to hear or they are slightly different than the regular sound for that letter.	box in the 2 or 3 letters together ja<u>m</u> ba<u>nk</u>

Phonics Pattern Information and How to Mark Them

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bonus letters	- These letters are doubled at the end of a closed syllable. - f, l, s, and sometimes z.	put a + over the bonus letter ball [†] cuff [†]
r-controlled vowels	- A vowel followed by an r. - The vowel sound changes because it is controlled by the r.	circle the vowel and the r far corn
vowel teams *vowel pairs	- Groups of letters next to each other in a syllable that work together and make 1 sound. - Can be 2 vowels, 1 vowel+ a consonant, or 1-2 vowels with 2 consonants.	circle the vowel team beak paid
diphthongs	- A type of vowel team. - The first vowel sound slides into the slightly different second vowel sound.	circle the diphthong boil play
vowel-consonant-e *silent e *magic e	- A vowel followed by a consonant then a final e. - The sound of the vowel before the consonant is long. - The e doesn't represent a sound; its job is to make the other vowel long.	- Put a macron over the vowel - Cross off the final e - Draw an arrow from the final e to the previous vowel bike