

# Blend Phonics Reader Lite

Reading Made Easy and Fun  
for the Very Young

Based on Hazel Loring's highly successful 1980  
*Reading Made Easy for First Grade with Blend Phonics*

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## **Step One: Short Vowel Sounds**

**Unit 1: ä b c d f g h j k l m n p q u r s t v w x y ck.**

băt bag bad can cap cab cat dad fan fat  
gas hat ham had jam lap lad map man  
mat nap pan pad quack rat ran rag rap  
sap sad Sam tan tap tag van wag yak am  
tax wax

**Unit 2: Short sound of ĭ, z.**

bĭb bin bit bill big dim dip fib fit fin hit hip  
him hill hid jig kiss kid kill lip lid miss mill  
mix nip pit in pig pill quick rib rim rid sit sip  
sin tip tin Tim vim win wig will yip zig, fig  
rip it if rig fix zig-zag

**Unit 3: Short Sound of ă.**

băb bog cot cob dog doll dot Don fog got  
hot hop hod job lot log mob mop nod not  
pod pop pot rob rot rod sop sob sod tot  
top hog on off box fox

#### **Unit 4: Short Sound of ũ.**

bŭt bun bug bud bus cup cub cuff cut duck  
fun fuss gum gun gull hum hut hug jug mug  
mud muff nut pup run rug rub sun sum tub  
tug up lug

#### **Unit 5: Short Sound of ě.**

bĕll beg bet bed dell den fed fell get hen jet let  
leg less men met net peg pet pen red set sell  
ten tell Ted wet web well vet mess keg

Mixed Short Sounds of **a**, **i**, **o**, **u**, and **e**

get got gut net Nat, nit, nut, not, rot, rut, rat,  
rod, rid, red, set, sit sat tell till beg bag bog  
bug big box hen ham hum him hem peg pig  
pug Ted Todd tad bet bit bat but bed bid bud  
bad lit lot let fed fad fat fit jet jot jut pet pot pit  
pat putt wax pen pin pun pan web wed wet  
wit dell dull doll dill bill bell Bill hill hull fell fill  
full fox fax fix well will den Dan din Don less  
lass loss vet vat men man mom mum sell sill  
mess mass miss moss muss mop map muff  
miff mutt mat met mitt Mat ten tin tan tax tux  
keg kiss kid kit cad cod sod cup cop cap cog  
sap sop sup sip zig-zag

## **Unit 6: Final Consonant Blends and ck.**

band bent bend belt bump camp damp  
desk fast fist felt fond fund gift tilt gust hand,  
hint jump just lend land lamp hump lift list  
lint melt must milk mist mend pump pant  
quest rest rust sent send silk next sand tent  
test went wind

duck Jack kick lock luck neck pick quick  
quack rock slick tack

## **Unit 7: Consonant Digraph sh**

cash dish fish hush shall shed shelf ship  
shop shot shut

## **Unit 8:**

### **Consonant Digraph th (Voiced)**

than that them thump this thus

### **Consonant Digraph th (Unvoiced)**

thick thin thud thump bath with

## **Unit 9: Consonant Digraphs ch, tch**

**chat** chin chill chick chop chip chum much  
rich such catch ditch fetch latch match  
notch patch pitch witch thatch

ch = /k/: **mechanic**

## **Unit 10: Consonant Digraph wh,**

Blend **wa** sounds like **wǒ**, **wha** sounds like **whǒ**.

**want** was water watch what

when which whiff whip whisk

## **Unit 11: ng (ǎng, ĩng, ǒng, ůng)**

bang gang hang rang sang ding ping-pong  
ring sing thing-a-ling wing king thing gong  
long song hung lung rung sung

## **Unit 12. nk (ǎnk, ĩnk, ǒnk, ůnk)**

bank bunk dunk kink link mink pink rink sink  
tank sank chunk thank honk

## **Unit 13: Initial Consonant Blends)**

**bl, cl, fl, gl, pl, sc, sk, sm, sl, sn, sp, st, sw**

**bl**ush black block blend bland bliss blink

**cl**ip clap click cliff clock clink clank clinch  
clench cling clang club

**fl**ash flesh flip flap fling flung flit flat flag  
flock fled flop

**gl**ad glass gland

**sc**at scan skin skip skid skill scuff scum  
Scotch sketch scalp

**sl**ush slot slum slap slam slash slip sled  
smack smelt smug smash

**sn**ip snob snap snug snuff snub

**sp**un spot spill spell spank spunk spin span  
spat spit

**st**uck stop still stem stand step stub stab  
stuff stiff

**sw**im swell swam swift switch swing swept

## Simple Two-Syllable Words for Practice.

bedrock napkin chestnut flapjack  
sunspot handcuff hubcap  
landmass ashcan backstop  
sandbag dishpan claptrap Midland  
helmet eggnog shipment backstop  
laptop catfish kidnap hotdog  
gumdrop endless dogsled bobcat  
dustpan upland cashbox desktop  
humbug visit habit blanket ticket  
rabbit pencil vivid robin puppet  
dental husband sunset sudden exit  
within rocket racket ribbon combat  
lemon jacket traffic pocket picket  
lesson Hobbit handbag wingspan  
filmstrip magnet handstand tiptop  
catnap trashcan hilltop nutmeg  
hatchet latchet ratchet

### Step Three: The Long Vowels

#### Unit 14: Long vowel: CVE words.

bāke cane cape cake date daze fate fade gate  
gaze hate came haze lake lame make mane  
made mate late game wake name pale quake  
rate rake pane sake shame shake same take  
tame blame flame plane stake glade snake  
chase safe paste gave case fake haste flake  
save blaze vase taste waste brave brake crate  
crave craze drape grape grave trade

hēre these

bīte dime dine dike fine fife dive file five hide  
hive lime life like mine mite mile nine pike pine  
pile quite kite ride shine side spike smile slime  
stile swine spine ripe time tile tide wife wine  
side pipe size glide while white drive pride  
prime prize

bōne cone cope code dote dole dome globe  
hole home hope joke lone lode lope poke pole  
quote rode robe rope sole spoke slope smoke  
note tone tote stole mope mole vote woke  
broke drove probe

cūbe duke dune cute tube tune mule flute prune  
rule rude plume brute

## **Unit 15: Phonograms using Long vowel Sounds.**

bōld old cold fold gold hold mold sold told scold

cōlt jolt molt bolt volt

bōth

tōll roll

mōst post host

chīld wild mild

blīnd find kind mind rind wind

## **Unit 16: Short Words Ending in a Long Vowel.**

bē he me we she the gō no so

## **Unit 17: Initial and Final Consonant Blends.**

brag brand brass brim brick bring branch

brush crab crash cramp crack crib crop

crunch crust drag drank drop drum drink

dress drunk drip drug Fran Frank from

frump fresh French Fred frog frock grand

grass grasp grant gruff grip grunt grin prank

press prim print tack trap trick trim trip trot

truck tend trust

## **Unit 18: Phonogram ar.**

bar barn car chart charm darn dark far farm  
hard jar lark mark mart park part spark  
smart scar star tar

## **Unit 19: Phonogram or.**

born cord cork corn for fork fort horn horse  
pork porch scorn scorch storm stork torn  
torch morn morning worn

## **Unit 20: Phonograms er, ir, ur and sometimes or.**

clerk fern jerk her herd term

bird birth dirt first girl sir stir third

curb burn fur hurt purr turn

word world work worm

camper cutter catcher chopper dipper  
drummer helper jumper marker farmer  
pitcher planner runner sitter starter  
swimmer sender spinner

actor doctor janitor visitor

**Unit 21: Vowel Digraphs ay, ai.**

ail bail brain fail gain grain jail maid mail  
paid aid pain rail rain sail tail train wait  
wail

bay clay day gay gray hay jay lay may  
pay pray ray say sway way

**Unit 22: Vowel Digraph ee.**

bee beef beech beet deed breeze fee feet  
feed feel free freeze fleet green greet heed  
heel jeep keep keen peep reed see seed  
seen seem sleep sleeve sleet sweep sweet  
sheep meet need wee weed week weep

**Unit 23: long e: ēa    short e: ěa    long ā: eā**

bēat beach beast bean cream cheat cheap  
deal dream feast east each leaf leap leave  
lean meal least sea tea each reach rēad  
real

brĕad breast breath dead death health  
instead rĕad threat tread wealth weather  
steāk break great bear

## **Unit 24: Vowel Digraph ie: long ī and long ē.**

crīed cries dried dries fried lie lies lied pie  
pies spies tie tied tried

briēf chief grief field priest relief believe  
yield

## **Unit 25: Final vowel y.**

armÿ candy cooky daddy dolly dusty funny  
gummy party happy handy hilly healthy  
fairly fifty messy penny puppy rainy sunny  
sleepy thirty twenty silly wealthy

bÿ cry dry fly my ply sly try sky shy why

## **Unit 26: Vowel Digraph oa oe.**

bōat boast coat coach coast goat float load  
loaf road soap toad throat roast soapy

fōe goes hoe hoed Joe toe toes woe

## **Unit 27: Two sounds of ow.**

Digraph ow = long ō:

bōw bowl blow crow glow grow grown  
growth flow low row slow tow throw show  
shown snow fellow follow pillow willow  
yellow

Diphthong ow:

bow cow crowd clown crown brown drown  
frown flower gown growl howl power  
powder row now town

## **Unit 28: Some of the many sounds of ou:**

Diphthong ou:

cloud found ground house loud mound out  
our mouse pound round sound shout scout

Digraph ou:

yoū          coŭntry yoŭng          sōul

## **Unit 29: Diphthongs: oy (end of words) oi (inside words)**

bōy boys joy joys toy toys oyster oysters

bōil coin join joint oil soil spoil point toil

### **Unit 30: Long Sound of oo /ōō/.**

bōōt booth bloom coo cool boost droop  
food groom goose doom moon roof loose  
room proof mood gloom noon soon roost  
stool stoop spoon spool shoot too tool tooth  
troop coolness zoo cooler foolish smooth  
teaspoon noonday toothbrush scooter  
papoose tooting school pool fool

### **Unit 31: Short Sound of oo /ōō/.**

bōōk booklet cook crook brook cooker good  
foot footstep hoof hook hood looking soot  
took stood shook wool wood wooden  
woolen footstool

### **Unit 32: Vowel Digraphs aw, au.**

crawl crawling drawn fawn hawk jaw law  
paw paw saw shawl thaw yawn  
cause clause faun haul fault pause

**Unit 33: Phonograms al, all.**

already almost also bald false halt malt salt  
ball call mall wall

**Unit 34: Digraphs ew, eu.**

blew brew chew crew drew grew flew threw  
dew few mew new news pew stew  
blue clue flue glue true due hue Sue

**Unit 35: Unaccented a at beginning of words à /ə/.**

à about adrift afar ajar alike ahead amuse  
around arouse apart aside asleep astir  
awake awhile

**Unit 36: Phonograms ul, ull, ush.**

careful pull bull full push bush fullback fulfill  
put

## **Unit 37: Soft Sound of c (before e, i, and y.)**

cent cell cease center civil cinder cyclone  
circus cinch cigar acid cistern ace brace  
chance decide dance dunce face fleece  
fence France hence ice lace mice nice  
niece pace place peace piece prance  
prince pencil price race rice space slice  
spice since twice thence choice voice

special

## **Unit 38: Soft Sound of g in dge and sometimes before e, i and y.**

age barge chance cage engage fringe huge  
large lunge hinge page plunge rage range  
sage stage wage urge budge bridge badge  
dodge edge fudge hedge lodge nudge  
pledge ledge judge ridge smudge wedge  
ginger giraffe gist gible gyp gipsy gymnast

#### **Unit 40: Silent k, t, w, b, and l.**

knee kneel knelt knight knife knit knot know  
known knock

chasten glisten hasten listen often soften

wreath wretch write wrist wring wrote wreck  
wrong answer sword

comb climb debt doubt dumb lamb limb  
thumb.

ca/f half walk

#### **Unit 41: se Sounds Like z.**

choose chose cheese ease because noise  
nose pause pose praise please rose rise  
tease these those wise as has is

#### **Unit 42: ph Sounds Like f.**

elephant nephew orphan prophet pamphlet  
photograph phonograph phone telephone  
telegraph alphabet phonics

## **Unit 43: Final le, tion, sion.**

battle bundle bottle buckle circle little middle  
pickle sample handle puzzle scramble scribble  
sprinkle struggle tickle wiggle

attention action addition affection invitation  
foundation education mention partition portion  
station section

expression impression mission

## **Unit 44: Three Sounds of ed.**

### **ed with short ě**

added acted counted crowded ended folded  
landed lighted painted planted printed rested  
waited

### **ed Sounds Like ‘d**

aimed burned called changed filled named  
saved rained rolled stayed turned

### **ed Sounds Like ‘t**

baked boxed camped hitched picked hoped  
jumped liked looked packed pitched  
stopped wished whaled.

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### Unit Progress Chart

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Unit 1 <b><u>Step 1</u></b>	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4	Unit 5	Unit 6 <b><u>Step 2</u></b>	Unit 7
Unit 8	Unit 9	Unit 10	Unit 11	Unit 12	Unit 13	Unit 14 <b><u>Step 3</u></b>
Unit 15	Unit 16	Unit 17	Unit 18 <b><u>Step 4</u></b>	Unit 19	Unit 20	Unit 21 <b><u>Step 5</u></b>
Unit 22	Unit 23	Unit 24	Unit 25	Unit 26	Unit 27	Unit 28
Unit 29	Unit 30	Unit 31	Unit 32	Unit 33	Unit 34	Unit 35 <b><u>Step 6</u></b>
Unit 36	Unit 37	Unit 38	Unit 39	Unit 40	Unit 41	Unit 42
Unit 43	Unit 44	<b><u>Step 1:</u></b> Short vowels & Consonants <b><u>Step 2:</u></b> Consonant Blends & Digraphs <b><u>Step 3:</u></b> Long Vowels (VCE)		<b><u>Step 4:</u></b> R-Controlled Vowels <b><u>Step 5:</u></b> Vowel Digraphs & Diphthongs <b><u>Step 6:</u></b> Irregular Spellings		

Write the date the student completes each Unit in the box.

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This *Blend Phonics Reader Lite* edition of my *Blend Phonics Reader* is designed to be a **shorter version** for younger children who have not received whole-word instruction and have not developed artificially induced whole-word dyslexia. *Blend Phonics Lite* has 1,450 words, whereas the program for older students has around 2,080.

Thanks to my tutoring student Ric Hale, a 10 year old, fourth grader at the Odessa Christian School. He helped me edit both editions of the present work.

This *Blend Phonics Reader Lite* is a complete course in phonics especially for kindergarten and first grade, but applicable to students of any age who need to improve their reading with basic phonics.

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The follow-up to *Blend Phonics Reader Lite* is *Blend Phonics Polysyllables*, which will take students to the next level of reading ability.

Note: *Blend Phonics Reader Lite* organizes the lessons in more detail, making it an idea companion to the larger *Blend Phonics Reader* for those Units that the students find too difficult.

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## Blend Phonics Reader Lite

### Unit, Step, and Total Word Counts

Unit 1 <b><u>Step 1</u></b> 40 words	Unit 2 52 words	Unit 3 36 words	Unit 4 33 words	Unit 5 32 words <b>Unit Total 193</b>	Unit 6 <b><u>Step 2</u></b> 59 words	Unit 7 11 words	
Unit 8 12 words	Unit 9 21 words	Unit 10 10 words	Unit 11 20 words	Unit 12 16 words	Unit 13 92 words <b>Unit Total 281</b>	Unit 14 <b><u>Step 3</u></b> 167 words	
Unit 15 30 words	Unit 16 9 words	Unit 17 56 words <b>Unit Total 206</b>	Unit 18 <b><u>Step 4</u></b> 30 words	Unit 19 20 words	Unit 20 <b>47 words</b> <b>Unit Total 97</b>	Unit 21 <b><u>Step 5</u></b> 35 words	
Unit 22 40 words	Unit 23 42 words	Unit 24 24 words	Unit 25 36 words	Unit 26 25 words	Unit 27 43 words	Unit 28 19 words	
Unit 29 17 words	Unit 30 44 words	Unit 31 24 words	Unit 32 20 words	Unit 33 12 words	Unit 34 23 words <b>Unit Total 395</b>	Unit 35 <b><u>Step 6</u></b> 16 words	
Unit 36 10 words	Unit 37 50 words	Unit 38 40 words	Unit 39 24 words	Unit 40 37 words	Unit 41 20 words	Unit 42 12 words	
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There are a total of 1,450 words in <i>Blend Phonics</i> and <i>Blend Phonics Reader Lite</i> .							

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