

Sounds in Words Teaching Pathways

For Whole-Class, Small-Group and Individual Work

Alphabet Pre-Assessment

(On the *PM Sounds in Words* webpage)
Individual Assessment

- Say the names of lower-case letters.
- Hear and match selected initial letter sounds to pictures.
- Generate more words that begin with the same initial letter.

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Little Books

Whole-Class, Small-Group and/or Individual Work

- Hear the sounds in words.
- Say the sounds in words.
- Read and talk about the sounds in words.

IWB Software

Whole-Class, Small-Group and/or Individual Work

- Hear and say the sounds in words.
- Hear and read the words in sentences.
- Generate more words.
- Write words.
- Decode new words independently.
- Complete reinforcement activities.

Big Book

Whole-Class and Small-Group

- Hear and say the sounds in words.
- Read words in sentences.
- Generate more words.
- Write words.
- Decode new words independently.
- Complete reinforcement activities.

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Activity Sheets

(On the *PM Sounds in Words* webpage)

- Match words to pictures, and use them to complete sentences.
- Hear and say rhyming chants that reinforce the sounds in words.
- Trace and write words.

Independent Reading

Individual Work

- Read books from the *PM* collection to reinforce these sounds.
- (Refer to the list of books in the Teaching Notes on the *PM Sounds in Words* webpage.)

Post-Assessment

(On the *PM Sounds in Words* webpage)
Individual Assessment

- Hear and Say the sounds in words.
- Say the sounds.
- Read words with these sounds.
- Write words with these sounds.

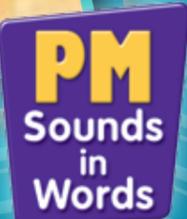
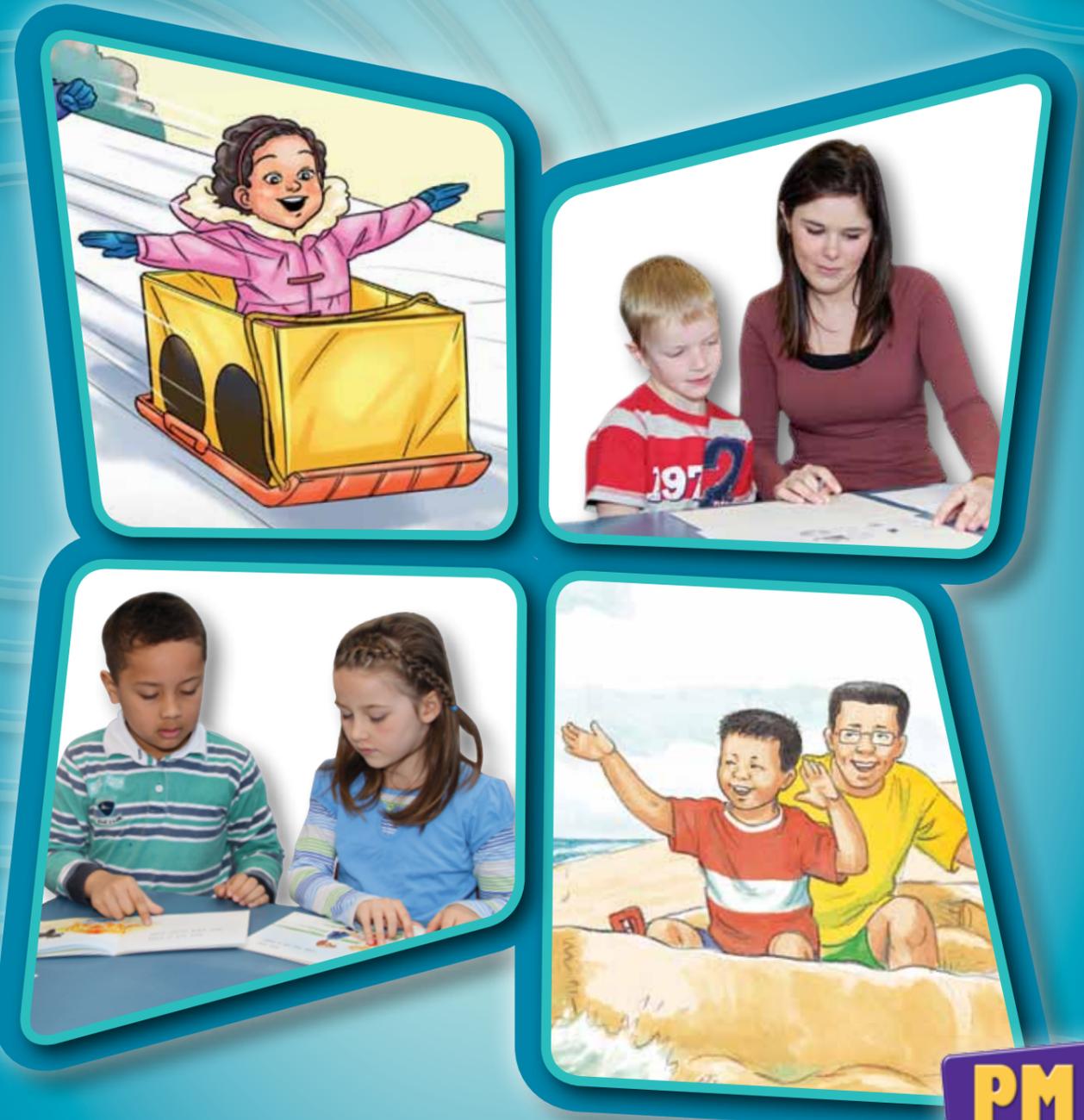
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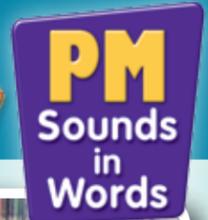
Hear the sounds Say the sounds Read the sounds Write the sounds

PM Sounds in Words

Unlocking phonological awareness in the PMs



PM Sounds in Words



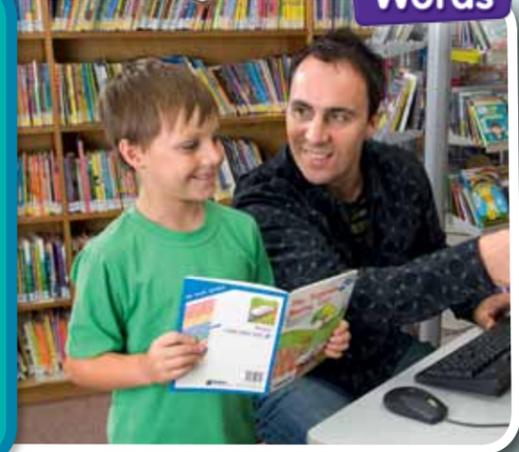
The **PM Sounds in Words** series explores phonological awareness in a meaningful context, in a **PM** context. It enables children to become aware of the sounds made by many regular letter patterns that can be found in high-frequency and interest words. The series enables children to *hear* the sounds, *say* the sounds, *read* the sounds and *write* the sounds.

There are four **PM Sounds in Words** sets; each set comprises 10 Little Books and 1 Big Book with IWB software.

Many of the words in the **PM Sounds in Words** components have been selected from sentences from well-known Levels 3–14 **PM** books. In the Big Books and the IWB software, students can once again meet their favourite **PM** characters such as Kitty Cat, Baby Bear and Jolly Roger. The IWB software also includes animated illustrations as well as audio so students can hear and identify the sounds in words and sentences.

'A successful reader and writer needs to be phonologically aware'

PM Sounds in Words Set 1	Short Vowels in a Medial Position	10 Little Books, 1 Big Book with IWB software
PM Sounds in Words Set 2	Long Vowels	10 Little Books, 1 Big Book with IWB software
PM Sounds in Words Set 3	More Vowels	10 Little Books, 1 Big Book with IWB software
PM Sounds in Words Set 4	Final Consonants	10 Little Books, 1 Big Book with IWB software



PM Sounds in Words Little Books

There are 10 Little Books in each of the four *PM Sounds in Words* sets. The books have been designed to be used in guided-reading groups with the teacher guiding the children to focus on **hearing** the sounds in the words, **saying** the sounds in words, and **reading** and **talking** about the sounds in words.

The Little Books are also ideal for independent reading to reinforce students' learning. Activities for each book are available from www.nelsonprimary.com.au/pmsoundsinwords.



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Focus sounds are embossed so children can 'feel' the letters.



dog

d-o-g



Photographic images closely match each word.

dog – PM Sounds in Words Set 1

In Set 1, the words are 'elongated', encouraging children to say the word slowly to hear the focus sound in each word.

beach

beach



beach – PM Sounds in Words Set 4

In Sets 2, 3 and 4, the focus sounds are subtly coloured, allowing the child to identify the sound within the word.

paw paw

draw draw

fawn fawn

yawn yawn

Extra words with the focus sound are listed on the summary page to reinforce the sound within unfamiliar unseen words.

paw – PM Sounds in Words Set 3

PM Sounds in Words Big Books with IWB Software

The Big Books and IWB software reinforce and extend what has been learnt with the Little Books. Focus sounds are repeated and then shown within a sentence from a PM book, allowing the children to learn about sounds within a meaningful context.



PM Sounds in Words Set 1 Big Book

<p>a</p> <p>cat c-a-t</p> <p>Here comes Kitty Cat.</p>	<p>mat m-a-t</p> <p>The mat is by the door.</p>
<p>bat b-a-t</p> <p>Jack said, "Here is the bat."</p>	<p>hat h-a-t</p> <p>"Where is my hat?" said Jolly Roger.</p>

<p>ee</p> <p>bee</p> <p>Speedy Bee went into a flower.</p>	<p>ea</p> <p>leaf</p> <p>The frog sat on a leaf.</p>
<p>tree</p> <p>Socks is up in the tree.</p>	<p>bean</p> <p>"Here is a big bean," said Sally.</p>



Sentences are from familiar PM books and feature popular characters many children will be familiar with.

PM Sounds in Words Set 2 Big Book

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IWB Software features

- Same words and sentences from the corresponding Big Book.
- Animation for each word highlighting the focus sound, the word, an elongated version of the word and a sentence containing the word.
- Audio to accompany each step in the animation sequence. Children can hear each sound spoken clearly.
- Some fun, animated illustrations from familiar PM books.
- A video demonstrating how teachers can use PM Sounds in Words in a classroom.
- An introduction by the leading PM consultant and author Annette Smith.

Demo Software on the web!

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1. IWB software main menu.



2. Sub menu with audio for each word featuring the focus sound.



3. Focus sound with audio.



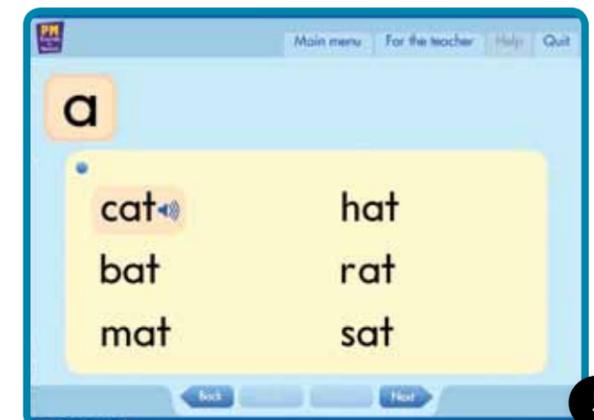
4. Focus sound in a word with audio.



5. Audio is elongated so children clearly hear the focus sound.



6. Focus sound within a sentence from a familiar PM book.



7. Summary of words featuring the focus sound with additional unseen words to reinforce the sound.

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Set 1 10 Little Books, 1 Big Book & IWB Software PACK 9780170161220



Book 1 cat
Short vowel sound **a** with a change of onset



Book 2 bed
Short vowel sound **e** with a change of onset



Book 3 bin
Short vowel sound **i** with a change of onset



Book 4 top
Short vowel sound **o** with a change of onset



Book 5 bug
Short vowel sound **u** with a change of onset



Book 6 bag
Short vowel sound **a** with a change of onset and final consonant



Book 7 hen
Short vowel sound **e** with a change of onset and final consonant



Book 8 six
Short vowel sound **i** with a change of onset and final consonant



Book 9 dog
Short vowel sound **o** with a change of onset and final consonant



Book 10 bus
Short vowel sound **u** with a change of onset and final consonant



Big Book 9780170218030

Little Books Pack 9780170217750

Set 2 10 Little Books, 1 Big Book & IWB Software PACK 9780170161237



Book 1 tail
Long vowel sound **ai**



Book 2 hay
Long vowel sound **ay**



Book 3 car
Long vowel sound **ar**



Book 4 bee
Long vowel sound **ee**



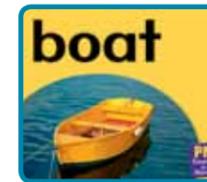
Book 5 leaf
Long vowel sound **ea**



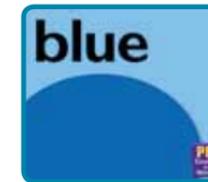
Book 6 pie
Long vowel sounds **ie** and **y**



Book 7 snow
Long vowel sound **ow**



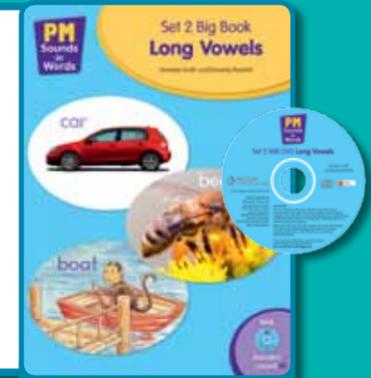
Book 8 boat
Long vowel sound **oa**



Book 9 blue
Long vowel sound **ue**



Book 10 moon
Long vowel sound **oo**



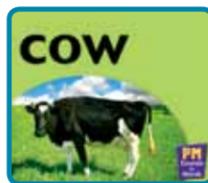
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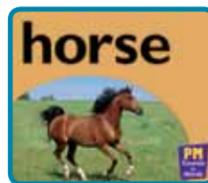
Set 3 10 Little Books, 1 Big Book & IWB Software PACK 9780170161244



Book 1 house
Long vowel sound **ou**



Book 2 cow
Long vowel sound **ow**



Book 3 horse
Long vowel sound **or**



Book 4 paw
Long vowel sound **aw**



Book 5 ball
Long vowel sound **all**



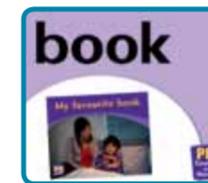
Book 6 fern
Long vowel sound **er**



Book 7 bird
Long vowel sound **ir**



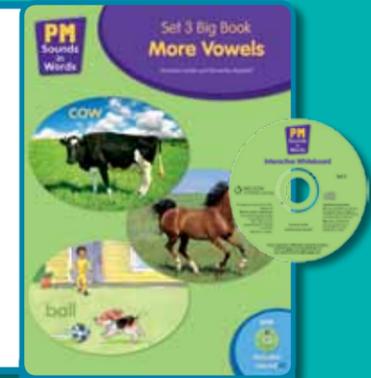
Book 8 fur
Long vowel sound **ur**



Book 9 book
Short vowel sound **oo**



Book 10 boy
Long vowel sounds **oy** and **oi**



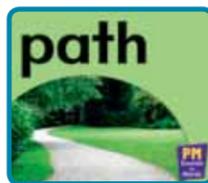
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Little Books Pack 9780170217910

Set 4 10 Little Books, 1 Big Book & IWB Software PACK 9780170161251



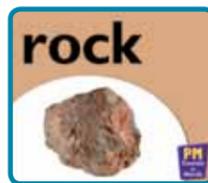
Book 1 fish
Final consonant sound **sh**



Book 2 path
Final consonant sound **th**



Book 3 beach
Final consonant sounds **ch** and **tch**



Book 4 rock
Final consonant sound **ck**



Book 5 ring
Final consonant sound **ng**



Book 6 drink
Final consonant sound **nk**



Book 7 nest
Final consonant sound **st**



Book 8 tent
Final consonant sound **nt**



Book 9 sand
Final consonant sound **nd**



Book 10 lamp
Final consonant sound **mp**



Big Book 9780170218078

Little Books Pack 9780170217927

PM Sounds in Words Assessment

PM Sounds in Words Assessment Recording Sheets

Pre-Assessment

It is recommended that *PM Sounds in Words* be introduced to students from Level 3 as students need to have a confident understanding of the alphabet. Applicable to Set 1 only, pre-assessment recording sheets are available that will enable the teacher to make an accurate assessment of the student's alphabetic knowledge.

Post-Assessment

Post-Assessment sheets are supplied to enable the teacher to assess students' progress through the *PM Sounds in Words* program, and plan for each student's future development. Post-assessment sheets include a student post-assessment task card that can be printed and laminated as well as a post-assessment recording sheet for the teacher.

Supplied as PDFs.
Available at www.nelsonprimary.com.au/pmsoundsinwords

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The image shows a 'Pre-Assessment Sheet' titled 'PM Sounds in Words Alphabet Pre-Assessment Recording Sheet'. It includes fields for Name, School, Date of assessment, DOB, Class, and Teacher. The assessment is divided into two parts: '1. Alphabet assessment - lower case' and '2. Alphabet assessment - letter sounds'. Below this is a 'Post-Assessment Card' for 'Assessment Tasks - Set 1' focusing on short vowels a, e, i, o, u. It features words like 'cat', 'bed', 'six', 'box', and 'sun' with corresponding illustrations. A 'Post-Assessment Sheet' is also shown, which is a grid for recording student performance across four sets of tasks: Set 1 (Short Vowels), Set 2 (Long Vowels), Set 3 (More Vowels), and Set 4 (Final Consonants). Each set includes sections for 'Hear the words and sounds', 'Read the words', and 'Write the words', with a 'Explicit learning for future development' column for each.

PM Sounds in Words Activities

PM Sounds in Words Activities

There are ten sounds that are explored in each of the four *PM Sounds in Words* sets. Two activity sheets are provided for each sound. The first activity sheet enables students to demonstrate their understanding of the focus sound. The second activity sheet contains a fun chant or rhyme for students to chant and clap that will reinforce their understanding of the sound of the letters.

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The image shows two activity sheets for the sound 'a'. The first sheet, 'Activity 1', includes a drawing of a cat and a hat, and asks students to identify words like 'cat', 'mat', 'bat', and 'hat'. It also includes a sentence completion exercise: 'The _____ is by the door.' and 'A mouse is not as big as a _____'. The second sheet, 'Activity 2', features a rhyme: 'I can see a little cat. He has got a yellow hat.' followed by a grid for writing the words 'cat' and 'hat'.

PM Sounds in Words Teaching Notes

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The *PM Sounds in Words* Teaching Notes for each of the four sets are available at www.nelsonprimary.com.au/pmsoundsinwords

They provide a thorough explanation of the features of the three components in each *PM Sounds in Words* set: the ten Little Books, the Interactive Whiteboard Software and the Big Book, along with possible uses in shared, guided and independent reading sessions.

The *PM Sounds in Words* Teaching Notes include:

- the teaching and learning intentions underpinning each component, all designed to reinforce students' awareness of specific sounds that exist in words. Students can then apply this to their reading and writing.
- a suggested teaching sequence and detailed lesson plans for teaching each component.
- valuable teaching suggestions for assessing students' alphabetic knowledge with the Pre-Assessment sheets (applicable to Set 1 only).
- a guide to using the Post-Assessment sheets with students to ensure that they can confidently *hear* the sounds, *say* the sounds, *read* the sounds and *write* the sounds.
- a number of follow-up activities to reinforce students' understanding of sounds in words.
- a guide for the teacher on the rhythm and emphasis to use while teaching each chant or rhyme in the activity sheets.
- an extensive list linking the *PM* readers with all the focus sounds that appear in *PM Sounds in Words*.

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Also free on the web, *PM Sounds in Words* Demo Software!

PM ALPHABET STARTERS

The 26 **PM Alphabet Starters** books provide an in-depth understanding about the letters of the alphabet and the sounds they represent. Each book contains five or seven words that begin with the same letter allowing children to concentrate on one letter sound at a time. The words are supported by clear photographs to support understanding.

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PM ALPHABET BLENDS

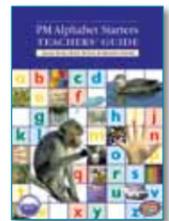
The **PM Alphabet Blends** are an extension of the **PM Alphabet Starters**. They take the children's knowledge further and allow them to recognise the beginning of most words successfully. Each book features five words with supportive illustrations and an alliterative rhyme to help children absorb each digraph and blend.

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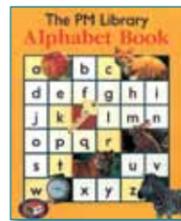


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