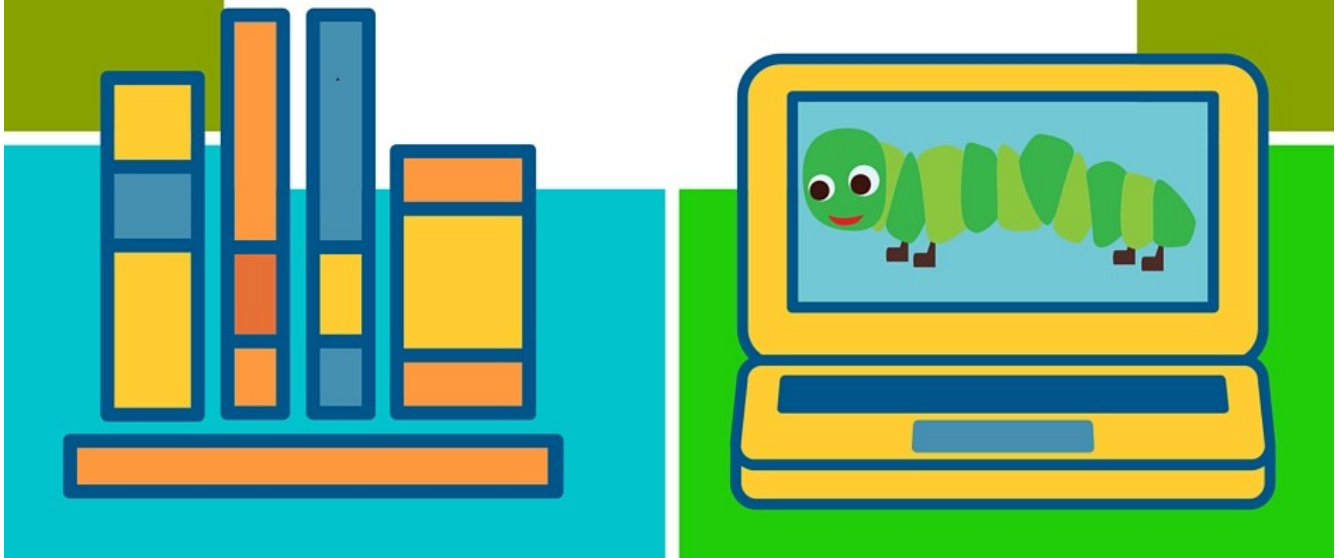


Learn how to read with
FUN ONLINE GAMES
to practice reading skills



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Introduction

I love to read, and love to share great information to develop skills. When I learned how to be a literacy tutor, I discovered some wonderful free online games to practice the skills needed to learn to read. Why not have some fun while learning? Some of these games are so much fun, I enjoy playing them even though I have been reading for a long time! One of my favorites is the Wordshake game from the British Council, which is included in the chapter on Word Building.

Whether you want to help someone learn to read as a teacher or tutor, or you want to learn to read on your own, you will find useful information here. Some of the resources are aimed at adult learners, and may be too advanced for younger kids. Some are aimed at children, but are useful for anyone at any age who wants to increase their reading skills. You will find some games that are helpful, no matter what your age or reading level is.

Some websites provide completely free resources, some are supported by advertisements, and some provide a few things for free and more premium content with subscriptions. The abcya site charges for their mobile version, but the games can be played for free on a computer. Please note that many of the games require Flash and may not work on some tablets or phones. Downloading the Dolphin Browser and changing the settings for Flash to “always on” has worked well on my tablet. The instructions at androidpit.com and at pcadvisor were quite helpful.

The games become more advanced as you move through the book. The more you learn about the sounds of the English language, the more you will be able to decode words to read them. The more sight words you learn, the more your ability to read increases. As you continue through the book, you will learn about words that don't always play fair or make

sense with phonics. Finally, there are games to learn about the parts of speech and how to put words together into sentences. The final chapter provides links to websites to practice reading, some of which include audio.

If you want to learn more about these skills, “[Learn How to Read: Smart Skills You Need to Take You Far](#)” is available at Amazon. This is a longer ebook that provides additional information, charts with examples, and more links to videos and other resources for learning about reading.

You can keep track of your progress with a printable chart at the end of this eBook. Start at the top, and when you feel you understand each concept, put a check-mark by it. With this eBook downloaded to your smart phone, tablet, and/or computer you can practice your skills anytime, anywhere. You are going to have such fun learning to read!

Chapter One - Phonics

Phonics is all about the sounds of the English Language.

The Alphabet

The first step in learning to read is to learn the names of the letters of the alphabet and the sounds they make. Practice letter names and sounds with [Alphabet antics](#) at learnenglishkids.

The [quiet machine](#) at pbskids.org is another game to practice letter sounds with the initial sound of words.

More Online Games to Practice ABCs

[ABC MATCH](#) at readwritethink.org

[ALPHABET ACTION](#) at learningplanet

[Goldfish Sort](#) to practice b, d, and p at literactive.com

Online Games to Practice Phonics

[PHONICS](#) at starfall.com

[PHONICS](#) at softschools.com

[PHONICS](#) at familylearning.org.uk

[PHONICS](#) at education.com

[PHONICS](#) at sadlier-oxford

[PHONICS](#) and [I CAN READ](#) at scholastic

[SPELLING & READING](#) at pbskids.org

PHONICS [1](#) & [2](#) at professorgarfield.org

[PICTURE MATCH](#) at readwritethink.org

[Literacy Games](#) at ictgames.com

Chapter Two – Vowels

Vowels can make a short sound, or they can be long and sound like the letter name.

Short and Long Vowel Sounds

Practice the short and long vowel sounds with [Vowel Sort](#) & [Short Vowel Sort](#) games at education.com.

SHORT VOWEL SOUND CLUES

CVC Words

Practice making Consonant-Vowel-Consonant words with two games from readwritethink.org (see the Chapter on Word Building) and [Jungle Jumble](#) from pbskids.org.

Syllables

Practice counting syllables with a [Word Jumbler game](#) at bbc.co.uk.

Practice syllable skills with the [syllable factory](#) game at skillswise and [syllable games](#) at learninggamesforkids.com.

Double Consonants

Practice with an online game about [double consonants](#) at bbc.co.uk.

LONG VOWEL SOUND CLUES

Silent E

Practice silent e skills with the [SILENT E](#) game at starfall.com.

Diphthongs

Practice diphthong skills with [Diphthongs](#) at softschools.com and the [Coconut Vowels](#) game at academics.

Chapter Three - Other Sounds

Consonants

[Hard C and Soft C sort](#) from bbc.co.uk (here's a [no flash version](#))

Consonant Digraphs

Practice blending digraphs with the online games [blends](#), [beginning](#) and [final](#) digraphs at

Sadlier-Oxford, and the [Blending Bowl](#) at Between the Lions.

Consonant Blends

Practice [blends](#) at yourchildlearns.com and some [final consonant blends](#) at kizphonics.

Diphthongs that make new sounds

Practice [special vowels and diphthongs](#) at kizphonics.

Bossy R

Two games to practice Bossy R skills: [R controlled words](#) at Starfall, and a [Game](#) from PBS.

Schwa

Practice schwa skills with [Treasure Behind the Mask](#) at Sadlier-Oxford.

Chapter Four - Word Building

Word Families

Practice word family skills with a [sort](#) from [readwritethink.org](#)

Compound Words

Practice compound words at [learninggamesforkids.com](#) and at [softschools.com](#) .

Prefixes and Suffixes

Practice prefixes and suffixes at [funenglishgames](#), [scholastic](#), [smarttutor.com](#), and with a

[Suffix](#) match.

Online Games for Word Building

[CONSTRUCT A WORD](#) at [readwritethink.org](#)

[BUILD WORDS](#) at [vocabulary.co.il](#)

[BUILD WORDS](#) at [bbc.skillswise](#)

[WORDSHAKE](#) from British Council

[Spelling Practice](#) at [abcya](#) (free on computer only)

Chapter Five - Sight Words

Online Games to Practice Sight Words



[SIGHT WORDS](#) at familylearning.org.uk

[SIGHT WORDS](#) at education.com

[SIGHT WORDS](#) at smarttutor.com

[DOLCH WORDS](#) at dolchword.net

[FRY WORDS](#) at spellingcity.com

[VOCABULARY](#) at Woodward English

[Sight Word Bingo](#) at [abcya](http://abcya.com) (free on computer only)

Chapter Six - Sentence Building

Online Games to Practice Sentence Building

[SIMPLE SENTENCES](#) at [primarygames.com](#)

[SENTENCE BUILDING](#) at [softschools.com](#)

[SENTENCE BUILDING](#) at [bbc.skillswise](#)

[WACKY WEB TALES](#) (like Mad Libs) at [eduplace.com](#)

[MAGNETIC POETRY](#) & Sentence Building at [mrcpl.org](#) (audio of words)

MAGNETIC POETRY at [channel4learning.com](#) & at [apples4theteacher](#)

More [Sentence Building](#) Games

Chapter Seven - Words That Don't Play Fair

Silent Letters

Review Silent E [SILENT E](#) at starfall.com, and more silent letters with [SILENT LETTERS](#) at [bbc.skillswise](#).

Homonyms

Practice with [HOMOPHONES](#) at learninggamesforkids & [HOMOPHONES](#) at [bbc.skillswise](#).

Synonyms and Antonyms

Practice antonyms, synonyms, & homonyms [Word frog](#) at [arcademics.com](#) &

[Synonyms/Antonyms](#) at [pbskids.org](#).

Chapter Eight - Grammar

Contractions

Practice contraction skills with [CONTRACTIONS](#) at vocabulary.co.il.

Punctuation

Practice punctuation skills with [Comma Chameleon](#) at sheppardsoftware.com, [Punctuation](#) at funenglishgames and [Alien Punctuation](#) at bbc.co.uk.

Plurals

Practice pluralization skills with [Plural Girls](#) at Funbrain.com.

Specific Grammar Games

[Identify parts of speech](#) at funenglishgames

[Noun game](#) at Children's University of Manchester

Nouns/Verbs at [grammarninja](#)

[PRONOUNS](#) at bbc.co.uk/skillswise

[Adjectives/Adverbs](#) at eslgamesplus.com

[Adjective Detective](#) at Children's University of Manchester

[VERBS](#) at funbrain.com (tense agreement)

[Subject/Verb agreement](#) at abcya (free on computer only)

[Verb Viper](#) subject/verb agreement and [Word Invasion](#) parts of speech at [arcademics.com](#)

[PREPOSITIONS](#) at www.eslgamesplus.com/

More Grammar Games

[GRAMMAR](#) at softschools.com

[GRAMMAR GORILLAS](#) at funbrain.com

[GRAMMAR](#) at grammaraide

[Grammar Practice Park](#) from Harcourt

[Sheppard Software](#) Games

[ALL ENGLISH GAMES](#) at [bbc.skillswise](#)

Links to [many free games](#) at [onlinemathlearning.com](#)

Interactive Sites to Practice Grammar Skills

[GRAMMAR](#) at Woodward English

[GRAMMAR](#) at <https://www.ixl.com/ela/>

[GRAMMAR](#) at [gcflearnfree.org](#)

Chapter Nine - Reading Practice

Listen & Learn-online sites w/audio

[Education.com interactive stories](#)

[uniteforliteracy.com](#)

[Between the Lions](#)

[storylineonline.net](#)

[storynory.com](#)

[classicfairytales.com](#)

[Clifford interactive](#)

[Highlightskids.com](#)

[National Geographic Young Explorer](#)

[Stories](#) at [bbc.co.uk](#)

Online (or printable) sight word books

[myonlinereading.com](#)

[readinghawk.com](#)

<http://readyteacher.com/free-dolch-reading-passages/>

[220 Dolch sight words in a story](#)

[Sight word stories](#) at [mrcpl.org](#)

<http://www.kids-pages.com/stories.htm>

Good for Adults

[Reading](#) at [gcflearnfree.org](#), Practice Reading and Text Explorer under Reading Activities

[Stories](#) at english-tonight.com, with audio

[Magazine](#) from British Council

[Eillo](#)

[Listen and Read Along](#) at manythings.org

[Literacytools.ie](#) online exercises

[commonlit.org](#)

[americanenglish.state.gov](#) down-loadable text and audio

CSAL: [Center for Adult Literacy](#) text and audio



Fun Read-aloud Books:

[Hank the Cowdog](#)

[Diary of a Wimpy Kid](#)

Conclusion

Thank you so much for choosing this eBook! I hope you have learned lots about reading, and have enjoyed playing the games to practice reading skills. Remember that the eBook "[Learn How to Read: Smart Skills You Need to Take You Far](#)" is available at Amazon. If you liked this eBook, you might enjoy some of the printable games available at my [Super Tutor Tools](#) Store at TeachersPayTeachers. If you can take the time to review and share information about the eBooks or the Super Tutor Tools. I really appreciate it!

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Teachers Pay Teachers: [Super Tutor Tools](#)

You Tube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/dailyplanit4u>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DailyPlanitSkills>

Pinterest: <https://www.pinterest.com/rosemaryhonn1/>

Delicious Links: <https://delicious.com/dailyplanit>

Flipboard: <https://flipboard.com/@rosemaryhonn1>

Slideshare: <http://www.slideshare.net/dailyplanit>

Apps and Other Tools

There are many free apps to download for practicing reading skills on a smart phone or tablet.

An [app](#) to hear the sounds letters make from [allaboutlearningpress.com](#).

A [Flashcard app](#) from [Dictionary.com](#) [Android]

The [British Council](#) has several apps. [Android]

[PBSkids](#) has several apps.

[Wordmover](#) from [readwritethink.org](#) [Android]

Tools with Audio

The Internet gives us the ability to hear sounds with some helpful online tools with audio:

- Audio of the English alphabet at [Learning-english-online.net](#).
- The sounds of [consonants](#), [vowels](#) and more at [abcfastphonics.com](#).
- An online [Phonogram Chart](#) from [allaboutlearningpress.com](#).
- 44 [Phonics Sounds](#) of the English Language from [atozphonics.com](#).
- [ReadingBear.org](#) has lessons with video and audio.
- The [Syllable Dictionary](#) is a great resource for identifying syllables.

More Resources for Reading

 [Pinterest](#) board on Reading

 [Youtube playlist](#) on Reading

Progress Chart

I KNOW ABOUT:	✓	Date
PHONICS		
ABCs-Consonants & vowels		
Vowels: the sounds of Short & Long Vowels		
Syllables: the difference between Open & Closed		
CVC words & silent e		
Diphthongs (vowel teams) that make a vowel sound		
OTHER SOUNDS		
Consonants with more than one sound: hard & soft c & g, s		
Consonant Digraphs		
Consonant Blends		
Diphthongs that make new sounds		
Bossy r		
Schwa		
WORD BUILDING		
Word families		
Compound words		
Prefixes & Suffixes		
SIGHT WORDS		
Sentence Building		
WORDS THAT DON'T PLAY FAIR		
Silent Letters		
Homonyms		
Synonyms & Antonyms		
GRAMMAR		
Contractions		
Punctuation		
Plurals		
Parts of Speech: Nouns, Verbs, Adjectives, Adverbs, Pronouns, Prepositions, Articles		