





The Phonics Screening Check



The Phonics Screening Check is a short, statutory assessment in the UK, administered to most Year 1 pupils in June, that assesses their phonic decoding skills by having them read 40 words (20 real, 20 nonsense "alien" words). The check identifies pupils needing extra support with phonics and provides teachers and parents with information on their progress, with a chance to retake the check in Year 2 if the benchmark isn't met.

Please take time to watch the short video link below and view the expectations:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4XtDTwffXM4>

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Children will have had practised many times to prepare them for the check, and they know to use the images to support them.