

A young child with dark hair, wearing a blue and white checkered shirt, is sitting at a white desk and reading a colorful book. The child is looking down at the text in the book. The background is a bright, blurred classroom setting. A purple chair is visible on the left side of the frame.

Reading in Reception

Hermitage Primary School

Supporting your child with reading at home

Your child is being taught to **sound out** the letters in words and then blend them together to read the word.

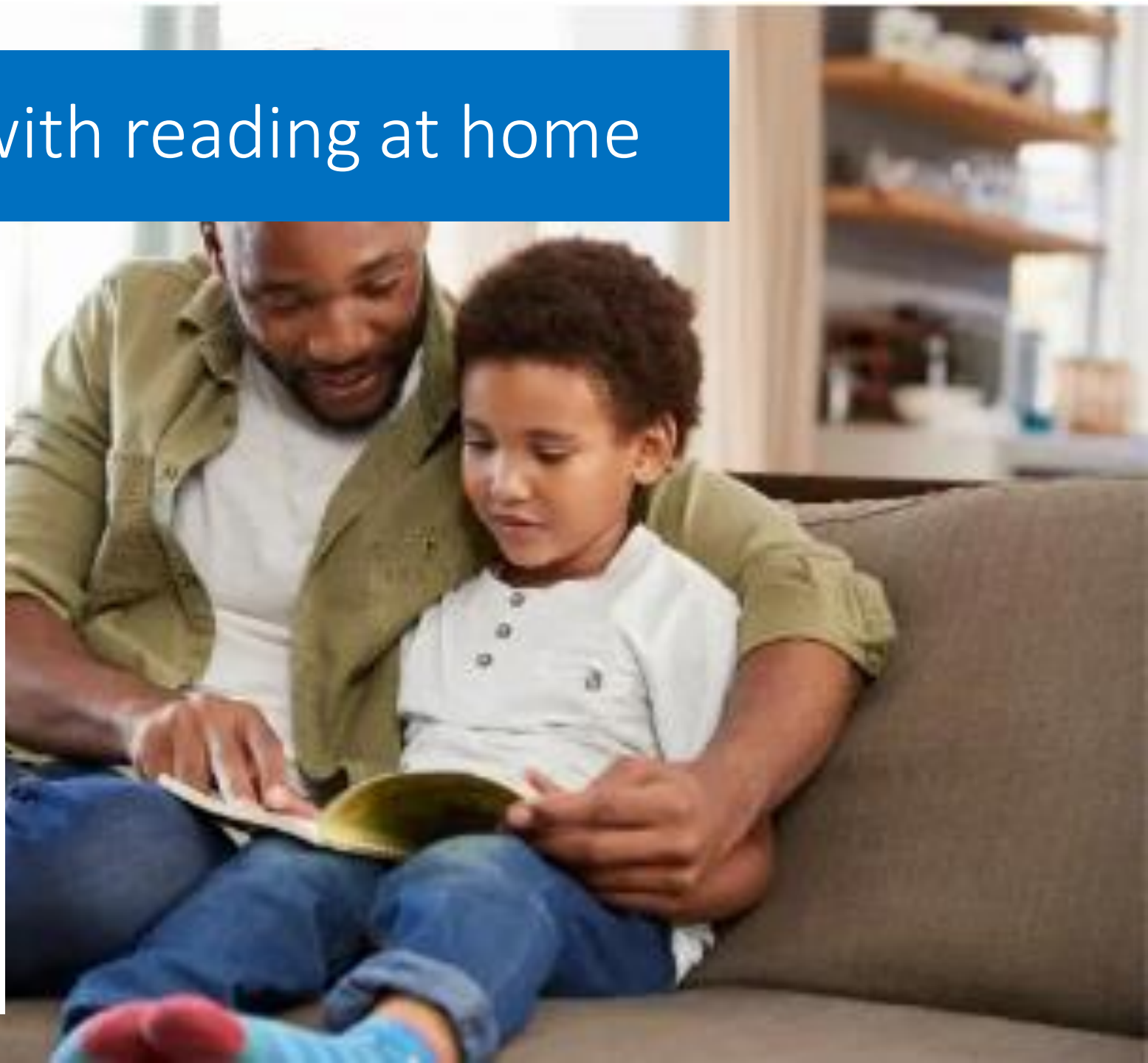
For example: c-a-n = can

We use the letter sound, not the letter name.

For example: muh (as in mat) not em

Please remind your child to use the 'pure sound – m not muh.

You may come across red words in your storybooks. These are words that don't sound like they look, such as said / the / you – we have to learn these words by sight.



Speed sounds and blending



m a s d t

i n p g o

c k u b

f e l h sh

r j v y w

th z ch qu x ng nk

Works to practise blending

m-a-t

c-a-t

d-a-d

a-n-d

s-a-d

a-n

S-a-m

d-o-g

p-i-n

i-t

g-a-p

p-i-g

n-o-t

s-i-t

m-a-n

t-o-p

High Frequency Words

A young child with dark hair, wearing a blue and white striped long-sleeved shirt, is lying on their back on a grey sofa. They are holding an open book above their head with both hands. The child's mouth is slightly open, as if they are reading or speaking. The background is a bright, slightly out-of-focus indoor setting.

Phase 2

the
to
I
no
go
into

Phase 3

he all
she are
we my
me her
be
was
You
they

Phase 4

said there
have little
like one
so when
do out
some what
come
were

Phase 5

Oh
there
people
Mr
Mrs
looked
called
asked
could

Activities to try at home



Hide tricky words around the house – can your child find the word and try to read it?

Use magnetic letters on your fridge or a whiteboard to make the words at home.

Go on a 'Word Hunt' – what words or sounds can your child find in your house or in your local area?

Explore a new type of reading material – newspaper, comic, recipe card, poem, non fiction book, list.

Play a word game – try Phonics Play or ICT games.