



# IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES

(updated October 2023 based on new curriculums)

Teaching Sequence	Staged Implementation of the Decodable Readers Australia Series		Resources
Stage 1:	Explicitly teach each phoneme/grapheme in the Sound Set. Resources found in our SOR Toolkits. Recommend 3 - 4 phoneme/graphemes per week.	Goal: Automatically recognises each phoneme/grapheme in the Sound Set.	<div>SOR TOOLKITS</div> 
Stage 2:	Explicitly teach blending, segmenting & manipulating using phoneme/graphemes in the Sound Set. Resources found in our SOR Toolkits.	Goal: Reads words comprised of phoneme/graphemes in the Sound Set (and those taught in previous Sound Sets) that use various spelling patterns.	
Stage 3:	Modelled, guided and independent reading practise using readers in the Sound Set.	Goal: Reads words in continuous text with increased fluency.	<div>DECODABLE READERS LEVEL 1 - 8</div> <div>INTERACTIVE ONLINE LIBRARY</div> 
Stage 4:	Developing rate of fluency through consistent practise using readers in the Sound Set.	Goal: Fluent reading of books within the Sound Set.	
*students will remain at this stage to develop fluency while moving to the next level for the explicit teaching of the next Sound Set			

Grade	Term	Chronological Age	Decodable Readers Australia Levelled Readers	Teaching Sequence (Stage)	Practise with Decodable Readers	Alignment to ACARA Learning Progressions		SPARKLE Evaluation Start of Term	SPARKLE Evaluation End of Term
Foundation Kindergarten Prep	Term 1	4 yrs - 7m - 5 yrs - 7m	Level 1	1 2 3 4	All of Term 1	PhA1 PhA2 PhA3 PhA4 PhA5	PKW1 PKW2	Phonemic Awareness Screener	Level 1 Sound Screener
Foundation Kindergarten Prep	Term 2	4 yrs - 10m - 5 yrs - 10m	Level 2	1 2 3	Term 2	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW3*	Level 1 Reading Evaluation	Level 2 Sound Screener
Foundation Kindergarten Prep	Term 3	5 yrs - 1m - 6 yrs - 1m	Level 2 Level 3	4 1 2	Start of Term 3 Term 3	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW3* PKW5 (part)	Level 2 Reading Evaluation	
Foundation Kindergarten Prep	Term 4	5 yrs - 4m - 6 yrs - 4m	Level 3 Level 4	3 4 1	All of Term 4	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW3 PKW4 PKW5 (part) PKW6 & 7 (part)	Level 3 Sound Screener	Level 3 Reading Evaluation

Grade 1	Term 1	5 yrs - 7m - 6 yrs - 7m	Level 4 Level 5	2 3 4 1	All of Term 1	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW5 (part) PKW6 (part) PKW 7 (part)	Level 4 Sound Screener	Level 4 Reading Evaluation
Grade 1	Term 2	5 yrs - 10m - 6 yrs - 10m	Level 5	2 3 4	All of Term 2	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW5 (part) PKW6 (part) PKW 7 (part)	Level 5 Sound Screener	Level 5 Reading Evaluation
Grade 1	Term 3	6 yrs - 1m - 7 yrs - 1m	Level 6	1 2 3	Term 3	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW5 PKW6* PKW 7 (part)		Level 6 Sound Screener
Grade 1	Term 4	6 yrs - 4m - 7 yrs - 4m	Level 7	4 1 2	Start of Term 4 Term 4	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW6* PKW 7	Level 6 Reading Evaluation	Level 7 Sound Screener

Grade 2	Term 1	6 yrs - 7m - 7 yrs - 7m	Level 7	3 4	All of Term 1	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW6* PKW 7		Level 7 Reading Evaluation
Grade 2	Term 2	6 yrs - 10m - 7 yrs - 10m	Level 8	4 1 2	Start of Term 2 Term 2	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW6* PKW 7 PKW 8 (part)		Level 8 Sound Screener
Grade 2	Term 3	7 yrs - 1m - 8 yrs - 1m	Level 8	3 4	All of Term 3	PhA4* PhA5*	PKW6* PKW 7 PKW 8 (part)		Level 8 Reading Evaluation
Grade 2	Term 4	7 yrs - 4m - 8 yrs - 4m	Age appropriate chapter books						

For a student to make successful progress through the stages in this guide he/she must be engaged in a program that explicitly teaches systematic, synthetic phonics.

This table is a guideline only and provides a benchmark to assist with planning instruction. Individual developmental stages need to be taken into consideration as students will move through the stages and levels at varying rates.

# SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

It is imperative that you have a planned scope and sequences that is systematic, from simple to complex, and cumulative in its design.

## Level 1

Introduces:  
s, a, t, p, i, n, nn

Early Readers Fiction  
WORD COUNT - 17 - 31



Non-fiction Level 1 & 2  
WORD COUNT - 21 - 31



Main Fiction Level 1  
WORD COUNT - 12 - 50



Decodable Tales 1 & 2  
WORD COUNT - 19 - 37



## Level 2

Includes:  
Level 1 sounds

Introduces:  
m, d, g, o, c, k, ck, e,  
u, r, ss

Early Readers Fiction  
WORD COUNT - 38 - 54



Non-fiction Level 1 & 2  
WORD COUNT - 58 - 116



Main Fiction Level 2  
WORD COUNT - 75 - 142



Decodable Tales 1 & 2  
WORD COUNT - 42 - 67

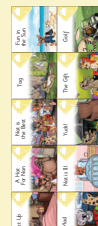


## Level 3

Includes:  
Level 1 and 2 sounds

Introduces:  
b, h, f, l, j, v, w, x, y, z,  
ll, jff, zz

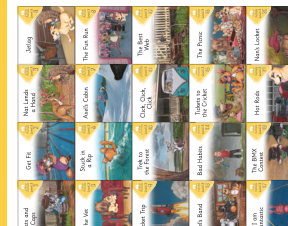
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WORD COUNT - 49 - 84



Non-fiction Level 3  
WORD COUNT - 119 - 192



Main Fiction Level 3  
WORD COUNT - 145 - 242



Decodable Tales Level 3  
WORD COUNT - 49 - 152

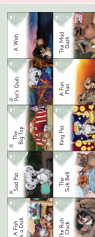


## Level 4

Includes:  
Level 1, 2 and 3  
sounds

Introduces:  
sh, ch, th (them),  
th (thin), qu, ng, wh,  
ph, g (gent), c (circle),  
gg, bb, tt, rr, pp, dd,  
mm

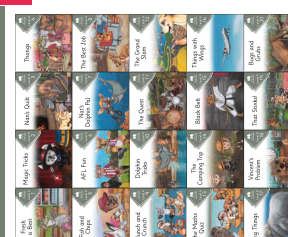
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WORD COUNT - 94 - 133



Non-fiction Level 4  
WORD COUNT - 211 - 370



Main Fiction Level 4  
WORD COUNT - 174 - 508



Decodable Tales Level 4  
WORD COUNT - 187 - 321



## Level 5

Includes:  
Level 1, 2, 3 and 4  
sounds

Introduces:  
ai (trail), ay (play),  
ea (beach), ee (tree),  
ie (pie), igh (sight),  
oa (boat), ow (slow),  
ew (few), ue (cue)

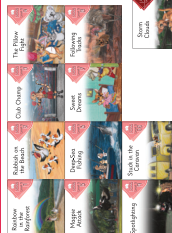
Early Readers Fiction  
WORD COUNT - 116 - 149



Non-fiction Level 5  
WORD COUNT - 350 - 436



Main Fiction Level 5 & 6  
WORD COUNT - 578 - 742



Decodable Tales Level 5  
WORD COUNT - 305 - 412



## Level 6

Includes:  
Level 1, 2, 3, 4 and  
5 sounds

Introduces:  
oi (soil), oy (boy),  
oo (book), oo (moon),  
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er (term), ir (stir),  
ur (turn), ar (star),  
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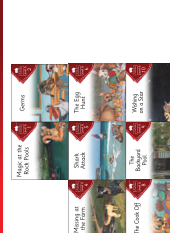
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Non-fiction Level 6  
WORD COUNT - 411 - 515



Main Fiction Level 5 & 6  
WORD COUNT - 578 - 742



Decodable Tales Level 6  
WORD COUNT - 399 - 505

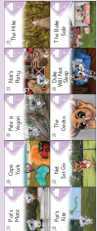


## Level 7

Includes:  
Level 1, 2, 3, 4, 5  
and 6 sounds

Introduces:  
a\_e, e\_e, i\_e, o\_e,  
u\_e, a (baby),  
e (we), y (funny),  
i (find), y (sky),  
o (go)

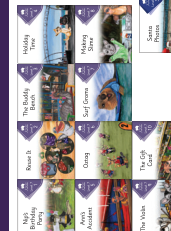
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Non-fiction Level 7  
WORD COUNT - 434 - 587



Main Fiction Level 7 & 8  
WORD COUNT - 684 - 982



Decodable Tales Level 7  
WORD COUNT - 437 - 518



## Level 8

Includes:  
Level 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6  
and 7 sounds

Introduces:  
aw (draw), ew (drew),  
ou (touch), air (chair),  
are (dare), ear (pear),  
eer (cheer), ore (more),  
dge (edge),  
tch (match)

Early Readers Fiction  
WORD COUNT - 143 - 227



Non-fiction Level 8  
WORD COUNT - 573 - 687



Main Fiction Level 7 & 8  
WORD COUNT - 684 - 982



Decodable Tales Level 8  
WORD COUNT - 493 - 578







# Level 1

Introduces:  
s, a, t, p, i, n, nn

10 BOOKS

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5 BOOKS

## Non-fiction

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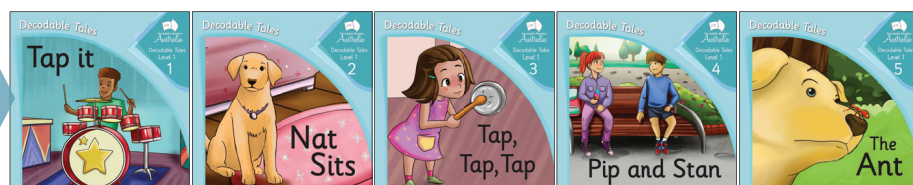
Level 1 & 2 Non-fiction sold together.

5 BOOKS

## Decodable Tales

WORD COUNT - 19 - 37

This series of decodable readers is a collection of stories to widen student's imaginations and engage them in a range of wonderful narratives.



Level 1 & 2 Decodable Tales sold together.

20 BOOKS

## Main Fiction

WORD COUNT - 12 - 50

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Level 2

40  
books

2



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s a t p i n m d  
g o c k c k e u r  
b h f l j v w x y z

3

Level 3  
**50**  
books







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Includes: Level 1, 2 and 3 sounds

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s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g (girl), o,  
c (cat), k, ck, e, u, r, b, h, f, l, j, v,  
w, x, y, z, sh, ch, th (them), th (thin),  
qu, ng, wh, ph, g (gem), c (city)

Level 4

50  
books

4

Levels 1, 2, 3 and 4 = 180 BOOKS!



# Level 5

Includes: Level 1, 2, 3 and 4 sounds

Introduces: ai (trail), ay (play),  
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igh (sight), oa (boat), ow (slow),  
ew (few), ue (cue)

Level 5

40  
books

5



# Level 6

Includes: Level 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 sounds

Introduces: oi (soil), oy (boy),  
oo (book), oo (moon), ou (loud),  
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Level 6  
40  
books

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Level 7

40  
books

7



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8

Level 8  
40  
books