



ALIGNMENT CHART

ALIGNING READY TO READ PHONICS PLUS BOOKS TO THE SUNSHINE PHONICS DECODABLES SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

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Sunshine Scope & Sequence Phonemes	Sunshine Phonics Decodables Programme		Ready to Read Phonics Plus books and phonics coverage
s a t p i n m d	Series 1, Set 1	Series 2, Set 1	Kākano 1 - m a d p o t n i s (includes 'o') Nat and Pip Pop and Mop I Am In To the Top Pip and Tom
	Series 1, Set 2	Series 2, Set 2	
g o b h e r f u l	Series 1, Set 2	Series 2, Set 2	Kākano 2 - l e c f u b g r h (includes 'c') Pop, Pop in the Pot Tap, Tap Mud, Mud, Mud Bug in the Hut In the Bin Nan in a Net
	Series 1, Set 3	Series 2, Set 3	
c k c k j v w q u x y z z z f f l l s s	Series 1, Set 3	Series 2, Set 3	Kākano 3 Get to the Vet (v, j, l) Weka Gets Wet (w, h, k) Zip and Zap (y, z) A Wet Ant (k, j, v, w, y, z, ck) Wet Kai! (ck) Jam Buns (k, j, v, w, y, z, -ck) The Big Sing Song (-ck, th, ch, sh, -ng) Wish, Wish, Wish (2025) Tupu 1 & 2 Dress-Up Hullabaloo (ff, ll, ss) The Tall Cone (ff, ll, ss, zz) (contains 'a' as /or/ - tall) A Fun Quiz (qu) (contains 'wh' as /w/ - which)
	Series 1, Set 4	Series 2, Set 4	

Phoneme	Series 1, Set 4	Series 2, Set 4	Ready to Read Phonics Plus	Phoneme	Series 1, Set 5	Series 2, Set 5	Ready to Read Phonics Plus
th / th			Huhu in the Mud (th, j) (contains contraction 'can't')	ar			Flax on the Farm (ar) (contains ea 'beak', ay 'away', ow 'grow')
ch			Chit Chat (sh, ng)	or			
ng / nk			Chit Chat (sh, ng)	ur			Lurking in the Dark (ur) (contains ea 'stream', o_e 'home')
sh			Weka in the Shed (sh, ck)	ow			
ai			Rain is a Pain (ai)	oi			
ee			Swim Day (ee) (contains initial blends (swim, screen), /ar/). Tūi Has a Plan (ee) (contains wh, o_e, i_e, a_e, tch). Home Time (ee) (contains oo).	ear			Tinā Visits (air, ear, ere) (contains o_e)
igh			Night Lights (igh) (contains i_e, ea, ow, oo, ear)	air			Tinā Visits (air, ear, ere) (contains o_e)
oa			Weka's Boat (oa)	ure			
oo (look)				-er (schwa)			
oo (moon)			Home Time (oo (school, look), ee) (contains a_e, i_e, o_e, tch 'catch', wh 'wheels'). Hoot Hoot (wh, oo) (contains i_e, a_e, wh 'whip'). Time to Hide (oo, ee) (contains i_e). The Long Swim (revision) (contains adjacent consonants, rush, strong). I Miss Tinā (revision) (contains ph, l_e, a_e, o_e, ea as /ee/)	review			

Adjacent consonants with short vowels	Series 2, Set 6	Ready to Read Phonics Plus
Adjacent consonants with long vowels	Series 2, Set 7	<p>Tupu 1 Frog in a Log (initial blend r, frog, brags, grubs) (contains ou 'out', tch 'catch')</p> <p>Weka in a Flap (initial blend l, flock, plan, glum, splats) (contains contraction 'don't')</p> <p>Crab Gets Stuck (initial blends sl, st, cl, cr, slips, stuck, crab, clam)</p> <p>Weka Helps Out (end blends -ft, -lp soft, help) (contains tch 'hatch')</p> <p>Is Kiwi Asleep? (end blends -nd, -st, pond, nest)</p>

Phoneme	Series 1, Set 6	Series 2, Set 8	Ready to Read Phonics Plus	Phoneme	Series 1, Set 7	Series 2, Set 10	Ready to Read Phonics Plus
f			Photo Time (ph) (contains ea as /e/ 'feathers')	e			Photo Time (ea as /e/, ph) A Play Date for Huhu (revision - oa, ow, ou, ear, air, ea, ph, ge)
w			A Fun Quiz (qu, wh 'what', 'which') Hoot Hoot (oo, wh 'whip', 'which')	r			
ai			Be Brave (a_e) (contains soft 'c') Splash! (a_e) (contains i_e) Stay (ay)	ar			
ee			Splashing in the Stream (ea) (contains i_e)	o			
igh			Splash! (a_e, i_e) Ride to the Top (i_e) Time to Hide (oo, ee, i_e) Night Lights (igh) (contains i_e, ea, ow, oo, 'hear')	Series 1, Set 7		Series 2, Set 11	
oa			Vote for Fin (o_e), Tūi Has a Plan (o_e, wh, ee) (contains tch, i_e, a_e, o_e, ea as /ee/), I Miss Tinā (revision - contains ph, i_e, a_e, o_e, oo), At the Marae (revision - contains ar, ea as /ee/, i_e, o_e, oo), Follow Me (ow).	m			
oo (moon)	Series 1, Set 6		Series 2, Set 9	n			
y-oo				i			
oo (look)				l			Tumble and Turn (consonant doubling with -le)
or			The Tall Cone (-all, -ell)	v			
ur			Nat's First Game (ir)	z			
ow			Hide and Seek (ou)	sh			
oi			The Fastest Toy (oy)	ch			A Batch of Pancakes (tch, x)
ear	Series 1, Set 7		Series 2, Set 10	or			
air			Tinā Visits (air, ear, ere)	zh			
j				Affixes	-s from Set 3 -es from Set 4 -ed from Set 5 -ing from Set 4		We Belong (-ing) Sports Day (-ing) Dipped in Mud (-ed) A Colourful World (-est) A Midnight Room (mid-, un-) On the Forest Floor (consonant doubling with suffixes: running, dropped)
s			The Best Place to Rest (revision - i_e, a_e, o_e, ea as /ee/, ar, soft 'c')	Contractions	From Set 6, e.g. that's, it's, I'll, I've, let's, can't		On the Forest Floor (I'm, don't)
c				Multisyllabic Words	Two-syllable words from Set 3; Three-syllable words from Set 4; Longer words from Set 6		Tinā at School
u				Decodable books for older students	<p>36 action-packed fully decodable fiction chapter books</p> <p>50 fully decodable texts for phonics consolidation</p>		

Sunshine books are listed in teaching order. We have used information from the Ministry of Education's Ready to Read Phonics Plus (RTRPP) books, scope and sequence and phase overviews to identify the phonics skill explicitly taught in each RTRPP book. We have then placed those books on this chart where that skill is taught in the Sunshine programme so that RTRPP can be used as support reading for Sunshine. Some phonics knowledge needed to read those RTRPP books that has not been taught at that point in the Sunshine programme is noted. Note: Kākano (seed) books are in green; Tupu (seedling) titles are in orange; Māhuri (sapling) titles are in blue; Rākau (tree) titles are in red.