

Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics

Deck 1

Lessons 1 – 14: Cards 1 - 36

First Reader 1

Single Letter Consonants
Short ä, ck, qu

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ad

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am

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an

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as

Card 1-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

at

Card 1-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ax

Card 1-6 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Dad
had

Card 1-7 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

mad

sad

Card 1-8 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ham

jam

Card 1-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Pam

Sam

Card 1-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

can

fan

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tan
van

Card 1-12 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

gas
has

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was

Card 1-14 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

bat
cat

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fat

mat

Card 1-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

fax

Max

Card 1-17 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

tax

wax

Card 1-18 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

bad

bag

Card 1-19 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

cab

can

Card 1-20 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

dab

Dan

Card 1-21 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

gab

gap

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Hal

hat

Card 1-23 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

jab
jazz

Card 1-24 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

lad
lass

Card 1-25 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

mad
map

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nag
Nat

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pal
pass

Card 1-28 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

rag
ran

Card 1-29 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

sag
sat

Card 1-30 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

tab
tap

Card 1-31 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Va1

vat

Card 1-32 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ya**k**

ya**p**

Card 1-33 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

za**p**

Card 1-34 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

nd

ba**nd**

la**nd**

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ck

back

Jack

sack

qu

quack

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Deck 2

Lessons 15 – 28: Cards 1 - 36

First Reader 2

Short vowels: ä, ë, ï, ö, ü, ph, th

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bat

bet

bit

but

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bag
beg
big
bug

Card 2-2 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

cap
cop
cup

Card 2-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

dad
did
dud

Card 2-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

dell
dill
doll
dull

Card 2-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ebb

Ed

egg

el

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fan

fen

fin

fun

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fax

fix

fox

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get

got

gut

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ham

hen

him

his

Card 2-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

hat

hit

hot

hut

Card 2-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

if

ill

in

is

it

Card 2-12 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

jet

Jill

jot

Card 2-13 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

keg

Ken

kid

Kim

Kit

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let

lit

lot

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mad

mid

mud

Card 2-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

man

men

Meg

mug

Card 2-17 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Nat
net
nit
not
nut

Card 2-18 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

odd
of
off
on

Card 2-19 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Pat
pet
pit
pot

Card 2-20 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

pack
peck
pick
quick
quack

Card 2-21 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ran
Ron
run

Card 2-22 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

sat
set
sit

Card 2-23 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

tan
ten
tin

Card 2-24 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

tap
tip
top

Card 2-25 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

up
us

Card 2-26 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

van
vet
vim

Card 2-27 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

wax
wet
wig
will

Card 2-28 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

yam
yap
yell
yes
yet

Card 2-29 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

zap
zip

Card 2-30 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

beginning **ph**

Phil
Philip

Card 2-31 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

beginning **th**

that
than
the
this
thin

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ending **th**

bath
math
Beth
with

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plural **s**

cats
dogs
pets
wigs
pots
hands

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plural **es**

taxes
boxes
kisses
foxes

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possessive **'s**

Dad's
Don's
Jack's
Jill's

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Deck 3

Lessons 29 – 37: Cards 1 – 18

First Reader 3

Consonant Digraphs: sh, ch, wh:
to be, to have; contractions

ending sh

ash

cash

rash

mesh

dish

fish

gosh

gush

rush

wash

bush

push

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beginning sh

shack

shed

shell

ship

shop

shut

Card 3-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

beginning ch

chat

check

chess

chick

chill

chop

chum

Card 3-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ending ch

rich

much

such

Card 3-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

wh

when

whim

which

whip

what

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I

you

he

she

we

they

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I am
you are
we are
they are

he is
she is

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I have
you have
we have
they have

he has
she has

Card 3-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

I had
you had
he had
she had
we had
they had

Card 3-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

I was
he was
she was
you were

we were
they were

Card 3-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

contraction t's

it's
let's

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contraction n't

isn't
hasn't
can't
didn't

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Review

Jack
deck
sick
rock
luck

quick
quit
quiz

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Review

than thin
then thick
they path
this Beth

what when
which whip

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Review

shack fish
shop wish
shut cash
ship rush
shell dish

let's
it's

Card 3-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Review

such chop
rich chum
much chill

hasn't
didn't
isn't

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Review

I am
you are
he is
she was
we were
they are
have
has
had

Card 3-18 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

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Deck 4

Lessons 38 – 39: Cards 1-18

First Reader 4

Two-Syllable, short vowel words

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med-al
ras-cal
sig-nal
den-tal

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Ja-pan
sun-tan

Card 4-2 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

cam-el
chap-el
pan-el
tun-nel

Card 4-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Kar-en
lin-en
hid-den
sud-den

Card 4-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

com-et
bas-ket
tab-let
hel-met
bon-net
vel-vet

Card 4-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

mag-ic
mim-ic
traf-fic
pub-lic
pic-nic
at-tic

Card 4-6 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

rap-id
viv-id
can-did
li-quad

Card 4-7 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

civ-il
pen-cil
un-til

Card 4-8 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

cab-in
Kev-in
sat-in
gob-lin
Cal-vin
nap-kin

Card 4-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ex-it
hab-it
vis-it
tid-bit
rab-bit
un-fit

Card 4-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

lem-on
wag-on
rib-bon
gal-lon
les-son

Card 4-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

rad-ish
rel-ish
van-ish
ten-nis
cac-tus

Card 4-12 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

pup-pet
up-set
sun-set

Card 4-13 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

jack-et
rack-et
tick-et
lock-et
pock-et
rock-et

Card 4-14 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

lem-on
com-bat
bob-cat
tom-cat
mas-cot

Card 4-15 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Phil-ip
cat-nip
kid-nap
gal-lop

Card 4-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

hat-rack
Pat-rick
pad-lock

Card 4-17 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

hat-box
box-top
hot-dog
bash-ful
hus-band
ex-am

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Deck 5

Lessons 40-57: Cards 1 – 24

First Reader 5

Al, all, ng, Final Consonant Blends, 2-Syllable
words w/ending consonant blends

a as in all

ball
call
fall
mall
tall
wall

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ng

ba**ng**

ra**ng**

ri**ng**

si**ng**

so**ng**

su**ng**

Card 5-2 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

di**ng**-do**ng**

Ho**ng**-Ko**ng**

si**ng**-so**ng**

pi**ng**-po**ng**

Card 5-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

pa**ck**ing

pi**ck**ing

si**ng**ing

ri**ng**ing

wi**sh**ing

ru**sh**ing

Card 5-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

na**pp**ing

ge**tt**ing

ki**dd**ing

di**gg**ing

ru**nn**ing

sh**o**pping

Card 5-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

nd

bend
lend
send
bond
pond
fund

Card 5-6 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

nt

ant
went
cent
tent
hunt

want

Card 5-7 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

er

lender
sender
tender
winter
sister
hunter

Card 5-8 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

bigger
chatter
better
letter
butter
summer

Card 5-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

nk

H**ank**

r**ank**

p**ink**

s**ink**

h**onk**

b**unk**

Card 5-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

nc

z**inc**

Card 5-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

nch

r**anch**

b**ench**

inch

p**inch**

l**unch**

p**unch**

Card 5-12 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ct

a**ct**

f**act**

p**act**

t**act**

d**uct**

Card 5-13 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ft

aft

raft

left

gift

lift

Card 5-14 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

pt

apt

xt

next

text

Card 5-15 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

sk

ask

mask

task

desk

risk

dusk

Card 5-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

sp

asp

lisp

grasp

cusp

Card 5-17 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

st

fast

last

best

rest

list

must

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lb

bulb

ld

held

meld

weld

lf

self

golf

gulf

Card 4-19 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

lk

milk

silk

bulk

sulk

lm

elm

helm

film

Card 5-20 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

lp

help

yelp

gulp

pulp

lt

belt

felt

melt

Card 5-21 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

mp camp
lamp
limp
lump
romp
dump
pump
sump

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tch match
pitch
hutch
dge badge
ridge
fudge
nge binge
sing

Card 5-23 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

nce dance
fence
since
mince
nse dense
sense
tense
rinse

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Deck 6

Lessons 58-71: Cards 1-12

First Reader 6

Initial Consonant Blends

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bl black
 blend
 blink
 block

br brand
 bridge
 bring
 brush

Card 6-1 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

cl class
 click
 clock
 club

cr crab
 crest
 crisp
 crutch

Card 6-2 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

dr draft
 dredge
 drop
 drum

dw dwell
 dwelt

Card 6-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

fl fl**a**g
 fl**i**p
 flo**p**
 flu**sh**

fr Fran**ce**
 fre**sh**
 fr**ill**
 fro**g**

Card 6-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

gl gla**d**
 glib
 gl**u**m

gr gra**nd**
 gr**in**
 gru**d**ge

gw Gwe**n**

Card 6-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

pl pla**n**
 pl**u**m

pr pra**n**ce
 pr**in**ce
 pro**m**pt

sl sla**p**
 slic**k**
 sl**u**ng

Card 6-6 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

shr shra**n**k
 shri**m**p
 shru**g**

sm sma**ll**
 smo**g**
 smu**g**

sn sna**p**
 sni**p**

Card 6-7 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

sp spend
spot

spl splash
split

spr spring
sprang
sprung

Card 6-8 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

st stand
step
stick
stomp

str strand
string
strut

Card 6-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

sw swam
swift
switch

sc scalp
scant

sk skill
skunk

Card 6-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

scr scrub
scrod
scrunch

tr track
trance
trend
trudge
trust

Card 6-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

thr thresh
thro**b**
thro**ng**
thro**sh**

tw twig
twi**st**
twel**ve**
twi**ch**

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Deck 7

Lessons 72-86: Cards 1 – 18

First Reader 7

Long ā spellings, au/aw, ar

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<u>ă</u>	<u>ā</u>
at	ate
mat	mate
Al	ale
Sal	sale
gal	gale
mad	made
Jan	Jane
cap	cape

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Long a as a-e

Abe
face
page
pale
cape
date
fade
cake

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make
game
plane
share
case
safe
brave
maze

Card 7-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long a as ai

maid
paid
mail
sail
trail
fair
chair

said

Card 7-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

main
rain
Spain
train
bait
wait

again
against

Card 7-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long a as ay

bay
day
may
pay
way
play
sway
stray

Card 7-6 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long a as ey

hey
grey
they
obey

Card 7-7 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long a as ei

rein
vein
veil
heir
their
beige

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Long a as eigh

weigh
sleigh
eight
eighth
weight
freight

Card 7-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

au

haul

Paul

haunt

jaunt

launch

cause

pause

aunt

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aw

jaw

paw

draw

straw

crawl

dawn

lawn

drawn

Card 7-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

a *as in* **ma**

and **car**

ma

pa

father

haha

car

far

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jar

star

card

lard

yard

bark

dark

lark

Mark

Card 7-13 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

dart
start
smart
arm
farm
barn
yarn

war

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Review

made same
cake grade
late grape
plane stage
paid rain
mail Spain
wait sail
aim laid

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Review

bay way
day play
hay sway
say stray

they
grey
obey
hey

Card 7-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Review

heir weigh
beige eight
veil eighth

haul saw
Paul law
cause straw
pause flaw

Card 7-17 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Review

mama father

pa papa

ma haha

far dark

car start

Clark farm

hard barn

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**Blumenfeld's
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Deck 8

Lessons 87-100: Cards 1-18

First Reader 8

Long ē & Long ī spellings,
Sentences

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Long e as ee

bee

see

tree

three

feel

wheel

feed

need

Card 8-1 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

deep
keep
sleep
deer
cheer
meet
sweet
street

Card 8-2 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

seek
seem
seen
queen
breeze
cheese

been

Card 8-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

be
he
me
we
she

Card 8-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

Long e as ea

sea
flea
bead
beach
teach
eat
heat
speak

Card 8-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

dear
year
east
feast
tease
please
cream
stream

Card 8-6 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long e as e-e

scene
mere
Steve
these

there
where

eye

Card 8-7 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long e as ie

niece
piece
chief
Lassie
tier
field
siege

friend

Card 8-8 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long e as y

babby
daddy
study
daffy
baggy
Billy
silly

Card 8-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

bunny
carry
hurry
messy
easy
lazy
candy
happy

Card 8-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ies

baby babies
berry berries
city cities
puppy puppies
penny pennies
cherry cherries
bunny bunnies
candy candies
study studies

Card 8-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long i as i-e

nice
price
twice
bike
ride
dime
time
twine

Card 8-12 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

mile
smile
fire
drive
wife
stripe
wise
prize

Card 8-13 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long i as ie

lie
pie
tie
die

Card 8-14 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long i as y

by
my
why
cry
try
spy
fly
fry

Card 8-15 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long i as igh

high
sigh
might
right
night
bright
fright
flight

Card 8-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Review

bee sea
three teach
keep east

scene
these

chief baby
Lassie study
field messy

Card 8-17 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Review

pie	by
tie	why
lie	try
die	fly
nice	high
bike	right
dime	might
time	light

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Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics

Deck 9

Lessons 101-117: Cards 1 – 18

First Reader 9

ough, gh=f, Long ō, long and short oo,
ow, ou, oy/ui, Long ū

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ough

ought

bought

brought

fought

thought

though

Card 9-1 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

augh

caught
taught
daughter

Card 9-2 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

f as gh

rough
tough
laugh
laughing
laughter

Card 9-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long o as o-e

robe
rode
broke
pole
home
phone
prose
drove

Card 9-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

rose
doze
more
store
note
hope
quote
chose

Card 9-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long o as oa

boat
coat
goat
soap
load
roam
coast
toast

Card 9-6 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

Long o as ow

row
bow
bowl
snow
show
grow
blown
shown

Card 9-7 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long o as in old

old most
cold post

cost
lost

oh no go so

Card 9-8 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

do

to

too

two

who

you

youth

young

Card 9-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

oo *as in* **food**

boo
mood
soon
broom
stoop
pool
school
boot

Card 9-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

oo *as in* **good**

wood
stood
foot
book
look
brook
cookie

door floor

Card 9-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ould

could
would
should

could not couldn't
would not wouldn't
should not shouldn't

Card 9-12 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ow *as in* **cow**

how
now
bow
growl
brown
power
crowd

Card 9-13 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

ou as in ouch

couch
cloud
shout
bounce
found
count
our

Card 9-14 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

oy

boy coy
joy Roy
toy Joyce

oi

oil point
boil poise
soil moist
coin choice

Card 9-15 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

Long u as u-e

use Bruce
fuse lube
huge crude
Juke duke
mule Luke
cure rule
pure
mute

sure

Card 9-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

**Long u as ue
and ui**

cue blue
due clue
hue glue
queue Sue

juice fruit
bruise cruise

Card 9-17 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

**Long u as
ew and eu**

dew blew
few chew
new drew
news threw
feud deuce

sew

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Deck 10

Lessons 118-128: Cards 1 – 18

First Reader 10

Er/ir/or/ur/ear, -le, ph=f, ci/ti/etc. mb,
silent h, wr, st, s/ft-f, ch=k, ps=s, y=i

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er, ir, or

her firm
serve dirt
bird work
girl word

ur, ear

fur earth
turn learn
nurse search

Card 10-1 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

words ending in
le

able wiggle
table wriggle
stable battle
eagle bottle
pebble turtle
riddle juggle
raffle simple
drizzle candle

Card 10-2 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

silent **t**
hustle
bustle
wrestle

f *as* **ph**

phone photo
physical graph
photographic

Card 10-3 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

sh *spelled as* **ti**

nation
station
motion
notion
patient
patience
action
fraction

Card 10-4 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

sh *spelled as*
ssi, **ci** and **ce**

fission
mission
facial
racial
special
crucial
musician
ocean

Card 10-5 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

sh spelled as
ci, **sci**, and **xi**

atrocious
ferocious
conscience
conscious
obnoxious

Card 10-6 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

sh spelled as
su and **ssu**

sure
insure
assure
fissure
issue
tissue

Card 10-7 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

zh spelled as
si and **su**

fusion
confusion
illusion
measure
pleasure
treasure
leisure.

Card 10-8 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics. www.donpotter.net

ch spelled as
tu and **ti**

fracture
picture
capture
gesture
question
suggestion

Card 10-9 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

n as kn

knack

knee

kneel

kneel

knit

knock

knob

know

Card 10-10 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

kneeling
knitting
knickers
knowing
knowledge

Card 10-11 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

m as mb

lamb

thumb

climbed

climbing

combed

combing

plumber

plumbing

Card 10-12 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

t as bt

debt

doubt

silent **h**

hour

honor

ghost

ghastly

Card 10-13 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

r as wr

write
writer
writing
wrote
written
wreck
wrong
wrought

Card 10-14 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

s as st

castle
listen
listener
nestle
wrestle
wrestled
wrestler
wrestling

Card 10-15 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

f as ft

often
soften
softener

s as ps

psyche
psychic

Card 10-16 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

k as ch

character
chorus
chord
chemist
chemistry
chronicle
chlorine

Card 10-17 Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics www.donpotter.net

y as short **i**

h**y**mn

r**y**thm

s**y**rup

m**y**stery

t**y**pical

m**y**stical

g**y**m

g**y**mnast

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Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Practice Cards

The Correlation Between Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics' Workbook,
Practice Cards, First Readers, and Phonics Skills
2010 Revision of Deck Numbering: One-Sided Cards

By Donald L. Potter
September 22, 2010

Alphabet Deck: Alphabet 30 Cards. Individual letters + uppercase and lowercase "Alphabet Poems."

Deck 1: Cards 1 – 36, Lessons 1 – 14, *First Reader 1*.

Phonics Skills: short ä, single letter consonants, ck, qu

Deck 2: Cards 1 – 36: Lessons 15 – 28, *First Reader 2*.

Phonics Skills: ä, ë, ï, ö, ü, ph, th

Deck 3: Cards 1 – 18, Lessons 29 – 37; *First Reader 3*.

Phonics Skills: Consonant digraphs: sh, ch wh; to be to have, contractions

Deck 4: Cards 1 - 18, Lessons 38 – 39; *First Reader 4*.

Phonics Skills: Two-Syllable, short vowel words.

Deck 5: Cards 1 – 18, Lessons 40 – 57, *First Reader 5*.

Phonics Skills: al, all, Consonant blends: ng, ing, Final Consonant Blends; 2-Syllable words w/ending consonant blends;

Deck 6: Cards 1 - 18, Lessons 58 – 71, *First Reader 6*.

Phonics Skills: Initial Consonant Blends

Deck 7: Cards 1 – 18, Lessons 72 – 86, *First Reader 7*.

Phonics Skills: Long ā spellings, au/aw, ar.

Deck 8: Cards 1 – 18, Lessons 87 – 100, *First Reader 8*.

Phonics Skills: Long vowels ē & ī spellings Sentences

Deck 9: Cards 1 – 18, Lessons 101 – 117, *First Reader 9*.

Phonics Skills: ough, gh=f, Long vowel ō spellings, long and short oo, ow, ou; oy, oi; Long vowel ū spellings.

Deck 10: Cards 1 - 18, Lessons 118 – 128, *First Reader 10 & First Reader 11*.

Phonics Skills: er/ir/or/ur/ear, -le, ph-f, ci/ti/etc, mb, silent h, wr, st-s/ft-f, ch-k/ps-s, y = ĭ

Contents of the Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Practice Cards

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The cards are designed to firm up the students' phonics reflex, making it automatic and accurate. This is the basis for fluent reading (automatic decoding without guessing) outstanding comprehension (meaning getting), and correct spelling. See the correlation study for the skills levels and *Blumenfeld Alpha-Phonics* lessons covered on the cards.

Alphabet Deck: Alphabet: Individual upper- and lower-case letters in print and cursive.
Alphabet Poem in upper case and lower-case print and cursive.

Deck 1: 1. ad; 2. am; 3. an; 4. as; 5. at; 6. ax; 7. Dad, had; 8. mad, sad; 9. ham, jam; 10. Pam, Sam; 11. can, fan; 12. tan, van; 13. gas, has; 14. [was]; 15. bat, cat; 16. fat, mat; 17. fax, Max; 18. tax, wax; 19. bad, bag; 20. cab, can; 21. dab, Dan; 22. gab, bap, 23. Hal, hat; 24. jab, jazz; 25. lad, lass; 26. mad, map; 27. nag, Nat; 28. pal, pass; 29. rag, ran; 30. sag, sat; 31. tab, tap; 32. Val, vat; 33. yak, yap; 34. zap; 35. **nd** band, land, **a** a cat, a hat; 36. **ck** back, Jack, sack. **qu** quack.

Deck 2: 1. bat, bet, bit, but; 2. bag, beg, big, bug; 3. cap, cop, cup; 4. Dad, did, dud; 5. dell, dill, doll, dull; 6. ebb, Ed, egg, el; 7. fan, fen, fin, fun; 8. fax, fix, fox; 9. get, got, gut; 10. ham, hem, him, his; 11. hay, hit, hot, hut; 12. if, ill, in, is, it; 13. jet, Jill, jot; 14. keg, Ken, kid, Kim, kit; 15. let, lit, lot; 16. mad, mid, mud; 17. man, men, Meg, mug; 18. Nat, net, nit, not, nut; 19. odd, of, off, on; 20. Pat, pet, pit, pot; 21. pack, peck, pick, - quick, quack; 22. ran, Ron, run; 23. sat, set, sit; 24. tan, ten, tin; 25. tap, tip, top; 26. up, us; 27. van, vet, vim; 28. wax, wet, wig, will; 29. yam, yap, yell, yes, yet; 30. zap, zip; 31. **ph** Phil, Philip; 32. **th** that, than, the, this, - thin; 33. *ending th*. bath, math, Beth, with; 34. *plural s*, cats, dogs, pets, wigs, pots, hands; 35. *plural es* taxes, boxes, kisses, foxes; 36. *possessive 's* Dad's, Don's, Jack's, Jill's.

Deck 3: 1. *ending sh* ash, cash, rash, mesh, dish, fish; 2. gosh, gush, rush [wash] [bush, push]; 3. *beginning sh* shack, shed, shell, ship, shop, shut; 4. *beginning ch* chat, check, chess, chick, chill, chop, chum; 5. *ending ch* rich, much, such; 6. **wh** whim, which, ship, [what]; 7. I, you, he, she, we, they; 8. I am, you are, we, are, they are, - he is, she is; 9. I have, you have, we, have, they have - he has, she has; 10. I had, you had, he had, she had, we had, they had; 11. I was, he was, she was - you were, we were, they were; 12. *contraction t's* it's, let's; 13. *contraction n't* isn't, hasn't, can't, didn't; 14. *Review* Jack, deck, sick, sock, luck - quick, quit, quiz. 15. *Review* than, then, them, they, this - thin, thick, math, path, Beth - what, which - when, whip. 16. *Review* shack, shop, shut, ship, shell - fish, wish, cash, rush, dish - let's, it's. 17. *Review* such, rich, much - chip, chum, chill - hasn't, can't didn't isn't. 18. *Review* I, you, he, she, we, they - am, are, is, was, were, are - have, has, had;

Deck 4: 1. med-al, ras-cal, sig-nal, den-tal; 2. Ja-pan, sun-tan; 3. cam-el, chap-el, pan-el, tun-nel; 4. Kar-en, lin-en, hid-den, sud-den; 5. com-et, bas-ket, tab-let, hel-met, tab-let, bon-net, vel-vet; 6. mag-ic, mim-ic, traf-fic, pub-lic, pic-nic, at-tic; 7. rap-id, viv-id, can-did, li-liquid; 8. civ-il, pencil un-til; 9. cab-in, Kev-in, sat-in, gob-lin, Cal-vin, nap-kin; 10. ex-it, hab-it, vis-it, tid-bit, rabbit, un-fit; 11. lem-on, wag-on, rib-bon, gal-lon, les-son; 12. rad-ish, rel-ish, van-ish, ten-nis, cactus; 13. pup-pet, up-set, sun-set; 14. jack-et, rack-et, tick-ket, lock-et. pock-ket, rock-et; 15. combat, bob-cat, tom-cat, mas-cot; 16. Phil-ip, cat-nip, gal-lop; 17. hat-rack, Pat-rick, pad-lock; 18. hat-box, box-top, hot-dog, bash-ful, hus-band, ex-am.

Deck 5: 1. **a** as in **all** ball, call, fall, mall, tall, wall; 2. **ng** bang, rang, ring, sing, song, sung; 3. ding-dong, Hong-Kong, sing-song, ping-pong; 4. packing, picking, singing, ringing, wishing, rushing; 5. napping, getting, kidding, digging, running, shopping; 6. **nd** bend, lend, send, bond, pond, fund; 7. **nt** ant, went, cent, hunt, [want]. 8. **er** lender, sender, tender, winter, sister, hunter; 9. bigger, chatter, better, letter, butter, summer; 10. **nk** Hank, rank, pink, sink, honk, bunk; 11. **nc** zinc; 12. **nch** ranch, bench, inch, pinch, lunch, punch; 13. **ct** act, fact, pact, tact, duct; 14. **ft** aft, raft, left, gift, lift; **pt** apt – **xt** next, text; 16. **sk** ask, mask, task, desk, risk, dusk; 17. **sp** asp, lisp, gasp, cusp; 18. **st** fast, last, best, rest, list, must; 19. **lb** bulb, **ld** held, meld, weld; **lf** self, golf, gulf; 20. **lk** milk, silk, bulk, sulk, **lm** elm, helm, film; 21. **lp** help, yelp, gulp, pulp; **lt** belt, felt, melt; 22. **mp** camp, lamp, limp, lump, romp, dump, pump, sump; 23. **tch** match, pitch, hutch, **dge** badge, ridge, fudge, **nge** binge, singe; 24. **nce** dance, fence, since, mince, **nse** dense, sense, tense, rinse.

Deck 6: 1. **bl** black, blend, blink, block, **br** brand, bridge, bring, brush; 2. **cl** class, click, clock, club, **cr** crab, crest, crisp, crutch; 3. **dr** draft, dredge, drink, drop, drum, **dw** dwell, dwelt; 4. **fl** flag, flip, flop, flush, **fr** France, fresh, frill, frog; 5. **gl** glad, glib, glum, **gr** grand, grin, grudge; **gw** Gwen; 6. **pl** plan, plum, **pr** prance, prince, prompt, **sl** slap, slick, slung; 7. **shr** shrank, shrimp, shrug, **sm** small, smog, smug, **sn** snap, snip; 8. **sp** spend, spot, **spl** splash, split, **spr** spring, sprang, sprung; 9. **st** stand, step, stick, stomp, **str** strand, string, strut; 10. **sw** swam, swift, switch, **sc** scalp, scant, **sk** skill, skunk; 11. **scr** scrub, scrod, scrunch, **tr** track, trance, trend, trudge, trust; 12. **thr** thresh, throb, throng, thrush, **tw** twig, twist, twelve, twitch.

Deck 7: 1. **ā** at, mat, Al, Sal, gal, mad, Jan, cap, **ā** ate, mate, ale, sale, gale, made, Jane, cape; 2. **Long a** as **a-e** Abe, face, page, pale, cape, date, cake; 3. make, game, plane, share, case, safe, brave, maze; 4. **Long a** as **ai** maid, paid, mail, sail, trail, fair, chair [said]; 5. main, rain, Spain, train, bait, wait, [again, against]; 6. **Long a** as **ay** bay, day, may, pay, way, play, sway, stray; 7. **Long a** as **ey** hey, grey, they, obey; **Long a** as **ei** rein, vein, veil, heir, their, beige; **Long a** as **eigh** weigh, sleigh, eight, weight, freight; 10. **au** haul, Paul, haunt, jaunt, launch, cause, pause, [aunt]; 11. **aw** jaw, paw, draw, straw, crawl, dawn, lawn, drawn; 12. **a** as in **ma** and **car** ma, pa, father, haha – car, far; 13. jar, star, card, lard, yard, bark, dark, lark, Mark; 14. dart, start, smart, arm, farm, barn, yarn, [war]; 15. *Review* made, cake, late, plane, same, grade, grape – paid, mail, wait, aim, rain, Spain, sail, laid. 16. *Review* bay, day, hay, say, way, play, sway, stray – they, grey, obey, hey; 17. *Review* heir, beige, veil, their – weigh, eight, eighth, weight – haul, Paul, cause pause – saw, law, straw, flaw. 18. *Review* mama, pa, ma, father, papa, haha – far, car, Clark, hard, dark, start, farm, barn.

Deck 8: 1. **Long e** as **ee** bee, see, tree, three, feel, wheel, feed, need; 2. deep, keep, sleep, deer, cheer, meet, sweet, street; 3. seek, seem, seen, queen, breeze, cheese [been]; 4. [be, he, me we, she]; 5. **Long e** as **ea** sea, flea, bead, beach, teach, eat, heat, speak; 6. dear, year, east, feast, tease, please, cream, stream; 7. **Long e** as **e-e** scene, mere, Steve, these, [there, where], [eye]; 8. **Long e** as **ie** niece, piece, chief, Lassie, tier, field, siege, [friend]; 9. **Long e** as **y** baby, daddy, study, daffy, baggy, Billy, silly, mommy; 10. bunny, carry, hurry, messy, easy, lazy, candy, happy; 11. **ies** baby-babies, berry-berries, city-cities, puppy-puppies, penny-pennies, cherry-cherries, bunny-bunnies, candy-candies, study-studies; 12. **Long i** as **i-e** nice, price, twice, bike, ride, dime, time, twine; 13. mile, smile, fire, drive, wife, stripe, wise, prize; 14. **Long i** as **ie** lie, pie, tie, die; 15. **Long i** as **y** by, my, why, cry, try, spy, fly, fry; 16. **Long i** as **igh** high, sigh, might, right, night, bright, fright, flight; 17. *Review* bee, three, keep – sea, teach, east – scene, these – chief, Lassie, field – baby, study, messy; 18. *Review* pie, tie, lie, die – by, why, try, fly – nice, bike, dime, time – high, right, night, light.

Deck 9: 1. **ough** ought, bought, brought fought, thought, [though]; 2. **ough** caught, taught, daughter; 3. **f** as **gh** rough, tough, laugh, laughing, laughter; 4. **Long o** as **o-e** robe, rode, broke, pole, home, phone, prose, drove; 5. rose, doze, more, store, note, hope, quote, chose; **Long o** as **oa** boat, coat, goat, soap, load, roam, coast, toast; 7. **Long o** as **ow** row, bow, bowl, know, show, grow, blown, shown; 8. **Long o** as in **old** old, cold, fold – most, post, host, [cost, lost] [oh, no, go, so]; 9. [do, to, too, two, who, you, youth] [young]; 10. **oo** as in **food** boo, mood, soon, broo, stoop, pool, school, boot; **oo** as in **good** wood, stood, foot, book, look, brook, cookie, [door, floor]; 12. **ould** could would should [could not – couldn't, would not – wouldn't, should not – shouldn't]. 13. **ow** as in **cow** how, now, bow, growl, brown, power, crowd; 14. **ou** as in **ouch** couch, cloud, shout, bounce, found, count, our; 15. **oy** boy, joy, toy, coy, Roy, Joyce – **oi** oil, boil, soil, coin, point, pose, most, choice; 16. **Long u** as **u-e** use, fuse, huge, juke, mule, cure, pure, mute, Bruce, lube, crude, duke, Luke, rule, [sure]; 17. **Long u** as in **ue** and **ui** cue, blue, hue, queue, blue, clue, glue, Sue – juice, bruise, fruit, cruise; 18. **Long u** as **ew** and **eu** dew, fue, new, news, blew, chew, drew, threw – feud, deuce, [sew];

Deck 10: 1. **er, ir, or** her, serve, bird, girl, firm, dirt, work, word – **ur, ear** fur, turn, nurse, earth, learn, search; 2. *words ending in* **le** able, table, stable, eagle, pebble, riddle, raffle, drizzle, wiggle, wriggle, battle, bottle, turtle, juggle, simple, candle; 3. *silent t* hustle, bustle, wrestle – **f** as **ph** phone, physical, photo, graph, photograph; 4. **sh** spelled as **ti** nation, station, motion, notion, patient, patience, action, fraction; 5. **sh** spelled as **ssi, ci, and ce** fission, mission, facial, racial, special, crucial, musician, ocean; 6. **sh** spelled as **ci, sci, and xi** atrocious, ferocious, conscience, conscious, obnoxious; 7. **sh** spelled as **su and ssu** sure, insure, assure, fissure, issue, tissue; 8. **zh** spelled as **si and su** fission, confusion, illusion, measure, pleasure, treasure, leisure; 9. **ch** spelled as **tu and ti** fracture, picture, gesture, question, suggestion; 10. **n** as **kn** knock, knee, kneel, knelt, knit, knock, knob, know; 11. kneeling, knitting, knickers, knowing, knowledge; 12. **m** as **mb** lamb, thumb, climbed, climbing, combed, combing, plumber, plumbing; 13. **t** as **bt** debt, doubt – *silent h* hour, honor, ghost, ghastly; 14. **r** as **wr** write, writer, writing, wrote, written – wreck, wrong, wrought; 15. **s** as **st** castle, listen, listener, nestle, wrestle, wrestled, wrestling, wrestled, wrestler, wrestling; 16. **s** as **ft** often, soften, softener – **s** as **ps** psyche, psychic; 17. **k** as **ch** character, chorus, chord, chemistry, chronicle, chlorine; 18. **y** as **short i** hymn, rhythm, syrup, mystery, typical, mystical, gym, gymnast.

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This document explains the organization and contents of the *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Practice Card Decks*. These cards are not flash cards in the traditional sense of the word. They are designed to help automate the student's phonetic word identification reflex. They are NOT designed to develop a whole-word sight recognition vocabulary. This is a program that teaches reading from the "sounds" the letters represent and not from the "meaning" of the words. Even the irregular words are not taught by whole-word memorization, rather they are taught with spelling in their appropriate spelling-families: as, has, gas, was.

The greatest flaw of most modern reading methods is that they teach English as if it were a hieroglyphic writing system instead of an alphabetic writing system. Teaching English as a hieroglyphic language where the shapes of the words represent meaning - while skipping the sounds of the letters - leads to cognitive confusions because it violates the alphabetic nature of written English - and is the major source of low reading achievement.

In *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics*, all external clues such as pictures are eliminated so the students can totally focus on mastering our alphabetic system of reading. This eliminates confusion and assures steady progress toward high reading achievement.

Reading skills are taught sequentially and reviewed in a spiraling fashion for total mastery and an absolute minimum of frustration. By the end of the program, students will achieve full automaticity, reading orally and silently as rapidly and with equal comprehension as when listening to a story being read or instructions being given.

The Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics System Consists of the Following Components.

1. ***Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Workbook***. This is the heart of the program containing both the Teacher's Manual and the Reading/Spelling lessons. Order from www.chalcedon.edu.
2. ***Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Practice Card Decks***. These Cards correspond with the sequential skills being taught from the *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Workbook*.
3. ***Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics First Readers***. The First Readers is a set of decodable texts designed specifically to be used with the *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Workbook* and *Practice Cards*. The students practice their phonics skills with real stories. This is a major step to fluency and independent reading. There are no pictures in the readers since we consider pictures to be a distraction from the core skills of automatic
4. **Handwriting Paper**. This can be purchased at any office supply. Since *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics* is taught with cursive handwriting from a chalk or whiteboard, the students will need lots of paper to write all the words and sentences in the Workbook. It is important to make sure the students can spell the words orally and in writing as well as they can read them so they can attain to "total linguistic function," the true goal of any legitimate reading program.
5. ***Blumenfeld's Audio Instruction***. For parents and teachers who have not had instruction in the sounds the letter represent and how to teach them, this audio CD will be of tremendous help. The audio is now available for free from Camconstitution.
6. ***Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Self-Tutor***. This edition of *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics* has been reformatted from unnumbered columns to numbered rows to make it easier for the students to follow the audio instruction by Mr. Potter. Available at: <http://donpotter.net/don-potter-tutoring.html>

Practice Chart for the Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics First Readers

Student: _____ Teacher: _____

<u>First Reader</u>	<u>Lesson Completed</u>	<u>Skills Practiced</u>	<u>Cards</u>	<u>Date</u>
Book 1	Lesson 1 - 14	Short ä Single Letter Consonants, ck, qu	Deck 1	_____
Book 2	Lessons 15 – 28	Short vowels: ä, ĩ, ö ũ, ph th.	Deck 2	_____
Book 3	Lesson 29 – 37	Consonant digraphs: sh, ch, wh; to be, to have; contractions.	Deck 3	_____
Book 4	Lesson 38 – 39	Two-Syllable, short vowel words.	Deck 4	_____
Book 5	Lessons 40 – 57	al, all: ng, ing, Final Consonant Blends; 2-Syllable words w/ending consonant blends.	Deck 5	_____
Book 6	Lessons 58 – 71	Initial Consonant Blends	Deck 6	_____
Book 7	Lessons 72 – 86	Long ā spellings, au/aw, ar.	Deck 7	_____
Book 8	Lessons 87 – 100	Long Vowel ē & ī Spellings	Deck 8	_____
Book 9	Lesson 101 – 117	ough, augh, gh=f, Long Vowel ō spellings, Long ōō, Short ōō; ow, ou; oy, oi; Long Vowel ū Spellings.	Deck 9	_____
Book 10	Lessons 118 – 128	The rest of the <i>Blumenfeld's</i> <i>Alpha-Phonics</i> Spelling Patterns, /er/, Silent Letters, etc.	Deck 10	_____
Book 11	Poetry	Literary Appreciation & Character Bldg.		_____

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