

NSW STAGE 3 SYLLABUS MATCH



Sound Waves Literacy Components

The Sound Waves Literacy program (F-6) consists of online teaching resources, Student Books, Decodable Readers and extra resources.

Use this document to understand how Years 5 and 6 of Sound Waves comprehensively meet the outcome and content for Spelling in the NSW Stage 3 Syllabus.

Sound Waves Literacy Online

Sound Waves Literacy Online provides everything you need to teach explicit and engaging lessons.



Decodable Readers

The Decodable Readers provide students with targeted reading practice of phoneme–grapheme relationships and are available in three levels of difficulty: support, core and extended.





Extra resources

A variety of extra resources, such as charts and cards, are available to provide ongoing support for students' reading and spelling.



Outcome	Content		Sound Waves Year 5	Sound Waves Year 6
EN3-SPELL-01: automatically applies taught phonological, orthographic and morphological generalisations and strategies when spelling in a range of contexts, and justifies spelling strategies used to spell unfamiliar words.	Phonological component	segment unfamiliar multisyllabic words into syllables and phonemes as a strategy when spelling	Units 1–36 Note: Students are explicitly taught to break words into syllables and phonemes as a strategy for spelling. Students practise and apply these strategies weekly in Units 1–36.	Note: Students are explicitly taught to break words into syllables and phonemes as a strategy for spelling. Students practise and apply these strategies weekly in Units 1–36.
	Orthographic component	apply and explain graphemes identified by their etymology	 Unit 4: Grapheme ch for kcqckxch Unit 21: Word origins – Indigenous Australian languages (Wemba Wemba, Yuwaalaraay, Guugu Yimidhirr, Dharug, Noongar, Gamilaraay, Wiradjuri) Unit 28: Word origins – Turkish, Dutch, Portuguese, French, Latin, Spanish Unit 29: Word origins – German, French, Latin, Dutch 	 Unit 8: Grapheme ph for ffph Unit 21: Word origins – Greek, Latin, Arabic, French, Japanese, German, Spanish, Persian Unit 27: Word origins – German, Latin, Greek, Dutch, Arabic, Italian, Japanese Unit 28: Word origins – Latin, French, Hawaiian Unit 29: Word origins – German, French, Spanish, Japanese, Hindi
		apply infrequently occurring graphemes and letter patterns when spelling base words in a range of writing contexts	Phoneme-grapheme relationships: • Unit 5: ay for eea • Unit 7: o for i • Unit 8: gh for fff ph • Unit 9: ho, au, ow for a • Unit 10: gu, gh for g g gg • Unit 11: oo, ou for uo • Unit 12: gg, dj for ig ge dge • Unit 13: eigh, aigh for ai ay a_e a • Unit 15: ie, ei for ee ee ea y ey • Unit 16: mb, mn for mmm mb • Unit 17: eigh for iey igh i ie • Unit 18: kn for nnn kn • Unit 19: ough, ou for a o e ow o • Unit 20: wr for rrwr • Unit 21: al, au, ah for ara • Unit 22: sc, sw for ssssecexc	Phoneme-grapheme relationships: • Unit 2: pb for bb • Unit 4: que for kcqckxch • Unit 5: a, eo for eea • Unit 7: ui for i • Unit 9: ho, au, ow, ach, e for oa • Unit 10: gu, gue for ggg • Unit 11: ou for uo • Unit 12: gg, d for jggedge • Unit 13: ei, eigh, et, e for aiayaea • Unit 15: ie, ei for eee eayey • Unit 16: me for mmmmb • Unit 18: kn, ne for nnnkn ngue for nnnkn ngue for unit 19: ough for oaeowo • Unit 20: rh for rrwr • Unit 21: ear, au, er for ara • Unit 22: sc, st, sw for ssssecexc

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			Graphemes: • a as in apple, watch, lady, glass, area, pizza • c as in car, pencil • ch as in school, chicken • e as in egg, me, cereal, bucket • ea as in head, seat, weary • ay as in says, hay • i as in igloo, litre, spider, dolphin • y as in syrup, baby, fly, yoyo • o as in women, orange, monkey, comb, story, do, lemon • gh as in laugh, spaghetti • au as in sausage, laugh, sauce • ow as in knowledge, window, flower • g as in girl, giraffe • u as in umbrella, queen, bush, computer, ruler, cactus • oo as in flood, book, boot • ou as in young, boulder, courier, group, cloud, famous • eigh as in eight, height • n as in net, wink • oa as in boat, broad	Graphemes: • a as in apple, any, cabbage, watch, lady, glass, ball, area, pizza • c as in car, pencil • ch as in school, chicken, chef • x as in fox, exaggerate • e as in egg, pretty, encore, cafe, me, cereal, bucket • ea as in head, seat, weary, bearable • i as in igloo, litre, spider, dolphin • y as in syrup, baby, fly • ui as in build, pursuit • o as in orange, monkey, comb, woman, do, lemon • au as in sausage, laugh, sauce • ow as in knowledge, window, flower • g as in girl, giraffe • u as in umbrella, queen, bush, failure, computer, ruler, cactus • ou as in young, courier, group, cloud, famous • ir as in iron, bird, souvenir • n as in net, wink • oa as in boat, broad

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		proofread written texts to correct misspellings, making use of spelling reference tools where required	Proofreading activities in the Student Book: • Units 10, 22, 23, 27, 28, 35, 36 Note: Students are explicitly taught to use the Sound Waves Student Chart (standard or extended) as a reference tool to support spelling attempts and corrections. Additionally, students are prompted to use a dictionary in some Student Book activities for support with word meanings.	Proofreading activities in the Student Book: • Units 2, 3, 8, 11, 14, 20, 23, 26, 27 Note: Students are explicitly taught to use the Sound Waves Student Chart (standard or extended) as a reference tool to support spelling attempts and corrections. Additionally, students are prompted to use a dictionary in some Student Book activities for support with word meanings.
	Morphological component	explain and use spelling conventions to add derivational suffixes such as -ion, -ian, -ence, -ous to base words or roots	Suffixes (derivational): • Unit 4: ion • Unit 7: ive • Unit 10: ness, ment • Unit 11: y • Unit 13: er, or, ee • Unit 14: ful, less, able • Unit 15: ly • Unit 18: en • Unit 22: ous	Suffixes (derivational): • Unit 2: able • Unit 4: ion • Unit 10: ly • Unit 11: er, or, ist • Unit 13: ation • Unit 14: al • Unit 15: ty, ity • Unit 17: ify • Unit 18: ance, ence

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		explain and use spelling conventions for assimilated prefixes such as in-, ad-, com-	Prefixes (assimilated): • Unit 7: in, im, il, ir Note: Students also learn the prefixes anti, dia, kilo, milli, ex, dec, deci, cent, dis, mis, de, non, quad, oct, multi, semi, com, bi, tri, en, pre, re, circum, inter, tele, trans, auto, sub and super in Year 5.	Prefixes (assimilated): • Unit 7: in, im, il, ir • Unit 9: con • Unit 36: ad, ac Note: Students also learn the prefixes ex, dec, cent, kilo, dis, mis, anti, non, hyper, hypo, mono, multi, com, co, pro, circum, auto, trans, uni, sub, super, out, syn, sym and inter in Year 6.
		explain the etymology of taught roots and apply this knowledge when creating written texts	Greek roots: • Unit 3: astro, aster • Unit 8: graph, phon, photo Latin roots: • Unit 3: ang, aqua, anim • Unit 11: struct • Unit 12: ject • Unit 17: scrib, script • Unit 19: mot, pos • Unit 20: port • Unit 23: circ • Unit 24: rupt, sect • Unit 25: aud • Unit 36: cap, mit, pel	Greek roots: • Unit 6: pod • Unit 10: graph, gram • Unit 12: hydr, geo, bio, logy • Unit 34: therm • Unit 35: aer, aero Latin roots: • Unit 3: tract • Unit 5: cess, cep, sect • Unit 6: ped, duc, duct, duce • Unit 8: flex, flect, frag, fract • Unit 11: struct, rupt • Unit 15: ceed, cede, cess • Unit 20: spect, press

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		correctly spell taught homophones when creating written texts across a range of writing topics and learning areas	Homophones: • Units 2, 13, 15, 19, 22, 25, 26, 28, 31, 35	Homophones: • Units 3, 13, 17, 22