



## Phonological Awareness Kindergarten Assessment

This assessment can be used to monitor progress for these  
Common Core Reading Foundational Standards:

Phonological Awareness:

**CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.K.2**

Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).

**CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.K.2.a**

Recognize and produce rhyming words.

**CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.K.2.b**

Count, pronounce, blend, and segment syllables in spoken words.

**CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.K.2.c**

Blend and segment onsets and rimes of single-syllable spoken words.

**CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.K.2.d**

Isolate and pronounce the initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in three-phoneme (consonant-vowel-consonant, or CVC) words.<sup>1</sup> (This does not include CVCs ending with /l/, /r/, or /x/.)

**CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.K.2.e**

Add or substitute individual sounds (phonemes) in simple, one-syllable words to make new words.

### Directions:

- Read the following questions to the child.
- Mark One Point if the Child Answers Correctly.
- If a child can answer 4/5 of the questions, proceed to the next level. Stop once a child misses more than 2 questions. This is your instructional level.

Note: Rhyming and Segmenting can be assessed together from the start. Sound Manipulation tasks can be assessed once a child has reached level 5 in Segmenting.

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**Child Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Rhyming:**

### **Level 1. Rhyme Identification**

**“Do these words rhyme?” Yes or No**

Word Pairs	Date:	Date:	Date
Bear    Chair	1       0	1       0	1       0
Dog    Blue	1       0	1       0	1       0
Man    Can	1       0	1       0	1       0
Fan    Frog	1       0	1       0	1       0
Hot    Cot	1       0	1       0	1       0

### **Level 2: Rhyme Generation**

**“Name a word that rhymes with...”**

Word to rhyme	Date:	Date:	Date
Dog	1       0	1       0	1       0
man	1       0	1       0	1       0
shoe	1       0	1       0	1       0
hot	1       0	1       0	1       0
cat	1       0	1       0	1       0

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## **Segmenting**

### **Level 1: Compound Words**

"Can you clap the parts/syllables for me of this word..." \*note: If a child starts saying the sounds, you can model 1 of the answers and mark the answer as correct.

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Cupcake	1      0	1      0	1      0
Bookcase	1      0	1      0	1      0
Dogfish	1      0	1      0	1      0
hotdog	1      0	1      0	1      0
Doorbell	1      0	1      0	1      0

### **Level 2: 2 Syllable Words**

"Can you clap the parts/syllables for me of this word..." \*note: If a child starts saying the sounds, you can model 1 of the answers and mark the answer as correct.

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Ketchup	1      0	1      0	1      0
Hiccup	1      0	1      0	1      0
Backpack	1      0	1      0	1      0
Earring	1      0	1      0	1      0
belly	1      0	1      0	1      0

### **Level 3: 3-5 syllable Words**

"Can you clap the parts/syllables for me of this word..." \*note: If a child starts saying the sounds, you can model 1 of the answers and mark the answer as correct.

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Butterfly	1      0	1      0	1      0
Alligator	1      0	1      0	1      0
Lemonade	1      0	1      0	1      0
Helicopter	1      0	1      0	1      0
ambulance	1      0	1      0	1      0

**Level 4: 2 Sound Words**

"Tell me the sounds you hear in the word..."

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Show	1      0	1      0	1      0
Moo	1      0	1      0	1      0
No	1      0	1      0	1      0
Shoe	1      0	1      0	1      0
see	1      0	1      0	1      0

**Level 5: 3 Sound words**

"Tell me the sounds you hear in the word..."

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Cat	1      0	1      0	1      0
Seed	1      0	1      0	1      0
Pig	1      0	1      0	1      0
Push	1      0	1      0	1      0
Dog	1      0	1      0	1      0

**Level 6: CCVC words with continuing sounds**

"Tell me the sounds you hear in the word..."

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Stop	1      0	1      0	1      0
Frog	1      0	1      0	1      0
Slide	1      0	1      0	1      0
Frame	1      0	1      0	1      0
Stick	1      0	1      0	1      0

**Level 7: CCVC words with 2 stops**

"Tell me the sounds you hear in the word..."

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Brake	1      0	1      0	1      0
Grass	1      0	1      0	1      0
Track	1      0	1      0	1      0
Brush	1      0	1      0	1      0
black	1      0	1      0	1      0

**Level 8: CVCC words**

"Tell me the sounds you hear in the word..."

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Desk	1      0	1      0	1      0
Sand	1      0	1      0	1      0
Pinch	1      0	1      0	1      0
Tank	1      0	1      0	1      0
fast	1      0	1      0	1      0

**Level 9: 4+ sound words**

"Tell me the sounds you hear in the word..."

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Pillow	1      0	1      0	1      0
Pencil	1      0	1      0	1      0
Baby	1      0	1      0	1      0
Teacher	1      0	1      0	1      0
shower	1      0	1      0	1      0

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## Sound Manipulation

### Level 1: Compound Word Part Deletion

“Say the word \_\_\_\_\_, now say it again with the /.../ sound”

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Cupcake.. without /cup/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Doghouse without /house/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Birdbath without /bird/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Horseshoe without /shoe/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Tiptoe without /tip/	1      0	1      0	1      0

### Level 2: Phoneme Sound Deletion

“Say the word \_\_\_\_\_, now say it again with the /.../ sound”

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Rose.. without /s/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Smile without /s/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Couch without /ch/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Beg without /b/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Inch without /ch/	1      0	1      0	1      0

### Level 3: Sound Substitution

“Say the word \_\_\_\_\_, change the /.../ sound to a /.../ sound. Say it again”

Word:	Date:	Date:	Date
Mat: change /m/ to /c/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Ham: change /m/ to /t/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Dog: change /d/ to /l/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Bug: change /u/ to /a/	1      0	1      0	1      0
Top: change /o/ to /a/	1      0	1      0	1      0

## **Free Word List Resources**

### **Rhyming Words**

Free Word Family Lists available at: <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/rhymes/wordfamilies/>

### **Compound Words**

Free Compound Word Lists available at:

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/grammar/compoundwords/>

### **Word List Generator:**

The Word List Generator Project has created a database of 2084 words that elementary school teachers can use to help students practice and build sounding out and word-form recognition skills. Learn more about the project and how you can help.

<http://www.wordlistgenerator.net/>