Letter-sound knowledge needed for reading

s sun	**a** ant	**t** tap	**i** ink	**p** pet	**n** nut
c k cup kick	**e** egg	**h** hot	**r** run	**m** man	**d** dog
g get	**o** on	**u** up	**l** leg	**f** fun	**b** bat
ai aim	**j** jet	**oa** oak	**ie** tie	**ee** tree	**or** born
z zoo	**w** wind	**ng** ring	**v** van	**oo** book	**oo** moon
y yap	**x** fox	**ch** chop	**sh** ship	**th** with	**th** thin
qu queen	**ou** out	**oi** oil	**ue** cue blue	**er** herb	**ar** farm
y as /ee/ sunny	**a_e** late	**e_e** theme	**i_e** time	**o_e** bone	**u_e** cube flute
ay day	**oy** toy	**ea** eat	**y** as /ie/ dry	**igh** night	**ow** snow cow
ir fir	**ur** burn	**ew** ewe flew	**aw** saw	**au** haunt	**al** talk
ph photo	**c** (-e/i/y) cent city cycle	**g** (-e/i/y) gentle giant gymnast	**air** chair	**ear** bear	**are** stare

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Alternative Spellings List

The Jolly Phonics Readers introduce alternative ways of spelling the letter sounds, with each level building on the words learned in the previous level. Children should be taught the alternatives for each level before they are asked to read the books.

There are no alternatives included within the Orange and Red Level Readers.

Jolly Phonics Readers Yellow Level

<y> for /ee/	happy

Jolly Phonics Readers Green Level

'hop-over <e>' for the vowel sounds:

<a_e> for /ai/	cake	<o_e> for /oa/	rose
<e_e> for /ee/	these	<u_e> for /ue/	cube
<i_e> for /ie/	kite		

Jolly Phonics Readers Blue Level

<ir> and <ur> for /er/	bird, turn	<oy> for /oi/	toys
<ow> for /ou/ and /oa/	owl, slow	<ew> for /ue/	few
<igh> and <y> for /ie/	sigh, fly	<ay> for /ai/	play
		<ea> for /ee/	each

British English: <au>, <al> and <aw> for /or/	haunt, talk, saw
American English: <au>, <al> and <aw> for /o/	haunt, talk, saw

Jolly Phonics Readers Purple Level

<ge>, <gi> and <gy> for /j/	germ, magic, energy
<ce>, <ci> and <cy> for /s/	race, circus, cycling
<ph> for /f/	dolphin
<ear>, <air> and <are>	wear, hair, square

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