



## Phase 4 Phonics

In phase 4, pupils will focus on applying their knowledge of phase 2 and 3 sounds. They will also learn a new set of 'tricky' words'. Pupils do not learn any new GPCs in this phase, but will begin to decode and read longer words with adjacent consonants as well as digraphs and trigraphs that they have already learnt.

**Digraph** - A grapheme using two letters to represent one phoneme. We frequently reinforce it with the mantra 'two letters, one sound'.

**Trigraph** - A grapheme using three letters to represent one phoneme. We frequently reinforce it with the mantra '**three letters, one sound**'.

In phase 4, pupils begin to look at compound words and root words with different endings. Examples are root words ending in: ***ing, ed, est***.

Please see below for tricky words taught in phase 4.

New tricky words
said so have like
some come love do
were here little says
there when what one
out today