

New sound: l

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Lesson 37 of 83 (ages 3-6) / 31 of 77 (age 7+) · Letter Sounds · Ages 3-7+ · about 10 min

GOAL

Your child can say // when they see "l", and hear it in words like lip.

WHY IT MATTERS

Every letter sound is a building block. Once your child knows //, they can use it in every word it appears in: lip, leg, log.

YOU'LL NEED

- The practice sheet for this lesson (worksheet.pdf) and a pencil or crayon.
- The lesson page on a phone or tablet, for the sounds and games.

LESSON FLOW about 10 minutes

1 min

Warm up

Quick flash of the last sounds: write "f", "b", "h" on paper, point, and your child says each sound.

SAY | "What sound is this? And this one?"

2 min

Listen

Play // on the lesson page three times. Your child watches your mouth and copies.

SAY | "This is //. Watch my mouth: tongue tip behind top teeth."

2 min

Show how

Show the letter "l" and the action: Lick a lollipop and say llllll. Then tap the words on the lesson page.

SAY | "When I see l, I say //. lip: // lip!"

2 min

Do it together

Sound hunt: find 3 things at home with //. Then do the trace-and-write part of the practice sheet. Read together: lip, leg, log, lid, lot, bell.

2 min

Play

Play the games on the lesson page: hear // and tap its letters.

1 min

Wrap up

Ask your child to teach the sound and action to someone else in the family.

SAY | "Can you show Grandma our new sound?"

USE WITH THIS LESSON

- **This lesson online (listening + games)**
phonicademy.com/plan/session/sound-l
- **Printable: 43 Letter Sound Flashcards (PDF)**
phonicademy.com/printables/abc-phonics-flashcards-43
- **Read: Letter Sounds vs Letter Names: Which Should You Teach First?**
phonicademy.com/blog/letter-sounds-vs-letter-names
- **The "l" sound — full page**
phonicademy.com/phonemes/l
- **Read: Phonemes List (Free PDF): 43 English Letter Sounds with Examples**
phonicademy.com/blog/43-english-phonemes-list
- **Game: Letter Trace**
phonicademy.com/play/letter-trace

HEAR IT, FIND IT

Say the sound (not the letter name). Your child points to the letters. Tick first-try answers.

#	SAY / SHOW	CHOICES	ANSWER	
1	Say /l/	l, f, b	l	☐
2	Say /f/	f, l, b	f	☐
3	Say /b/	b, p, l	b	☐

WATCH FOR common mix-ups and what to do

Says the sound too quickly to hear. -> /l/ can be stretched: hold it like a long note, llll, then let go.

Forgets the sound the next day. -> Normal! Repeat the action and the keyword daily for a week: the action is the memory hook.

TOO HARD? MAKE IT EASIER

Only do the listening parts today: hear it, say it, find it in pictures. Save the writing for tomorrow.

TOO EASY? MAKE IT HARDER

Read these words and then write two of them from memory: lip, leg, log, lid, lot, bell.

HOW DID IT GO?

MY CHILD CAN...

- ☐ Says /l/ when shown "l".
- ☐ Hears /l/ in a word you say (lip).
- ☐ Writes "l" starting in the right place.

Date: _____

Colour in the stars:



Notes: _____