

Decodable Reading Books Catalogue



Evidence-Based Approach



What are Decodable Reading Books?

Decodable texts support early readers by presenting only words that correspond to the phonic concepts they are learning in class. In this way, students practise applying their alphabet, phonic knowledge and blending skills to begin to read independently and typically develop strong reading accuracy.

Why Choose PLD?

Our Decodable Reading Books have been meticulously developed for children being taught to read using **Structured Synthetic Phonics (SSP)**, and are authored by speech pathologists.

Gradual introduction of alphabet and phonic sounds

Sets 1-4 support learning during Semester 1 Foundation with a focus on CVC and a gradual introduction of alphabet sounds. Sets 5 and 6 support learning during Semester 2 Foundation, introducing digraphs and CCVC and CVCC words, as well as longer CCCVC and CCVCC words. Set 7 then moves towards Year 1 late digraphs.

Sequential introduction of high-frequency words

In addition, our Decodable Reading Books also incorporate regular decodable high-frequency words, as well as introducing Heart Words (high-frequency words which are not easily decodable at this stage) in a sequential order, enabling early readers to apply the phonics they are learning in the classroom to their reading practise.

Research-informed font size and spacing

In creating these books we have reviewed the existing literature around font size and spacing and carefully considered the appropriate font size for each set, as well as the spacing between lines and within words. This research-informed approach aids readability, particularly for early readers and those with reading challenges such as dyslexia. The books also start with very low word counts and single lines of text, and gradually progress through the sets to a higher word count and multiple lines of text as the ability to decode becomes more fluid.

Set 1	Set 2	Set 3	Set 4	Set 5	Set 6
					
Pip sat.	Dad had a map.	Tom got Bud in the big tub.	A fat bug was on the web. It can not get its leg from the web.	Then Max and Jax get cash for the zoo shop. "I wish I had cash," thinks Ashlee.	When he needed to poop, this sloth held the trunk and slid to the land. It is a big trek for a sloth!
- Font size A - Single lines of text - Centred text - Up to 30 words	- Font size B - Two lines of text introduced - Up to 60 words	- Font size C - Up to 100 words	- Font size D - Multiple lines of text introduced - Up to 120 words	- Font size E - Text becomes left aligned - Up to 150 words	- Font sizes D & E - Up to four lines of text - Up to 200 words

Set 7	Set 8	Set 9	Set 10
			
Storm and Justin explain they had to stop for her gift and card, plus they have all day to enjoy! Ling starts to grin.	Seals are beasts that dwell in really cold seas. They are sea mammals, they can swim under the sea and exist on land too!	Some people like extreme sports. They run, skate, ride bikes or drive cars in the hope of winning a prize or to gain fame. Fast is fun and can help you win - but fast must also be safe.	Lewis loved the peacock best. With his blue neck and long plume for a tail, he looked like the true king of the farm. Few other birds had such a hue in their 'feather'. Lewis said that was proof he was the best.
- Font sizes D & E - Up to four lines of text - Up to 200 words	- Font sizes E & F - Four to five lines of text - Up to 300 words	- Font size F - Four to six lines of text - Up to 350 words	- Font size F - Five to seven lines of text - Up to 400 words

Available from Semester 2 2026



Decodable Reading Chapter Books!

40 decodable chapter books aligned to the Year 2 Teaching Sequence.

Features within the Decodable Reading Books



Key Features

- Fully decodable books
- Mixture of fiction and non-fiction
- Gradual introduction of sounds
- Between 15-30 books at each level to help keep reading fun and interesting

focus on recapping sounds and practise words

begin decoding characters and key vocabulary

ask initial comprehension questions

tips to help early readers

introduce Heart Words

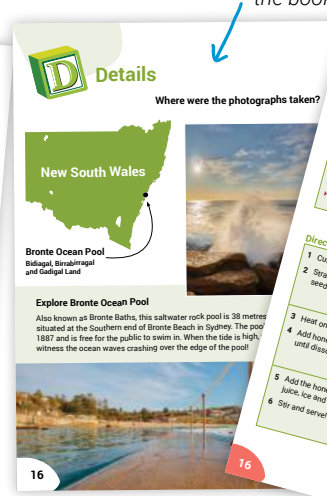
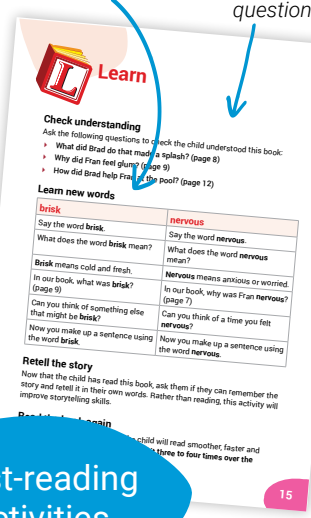
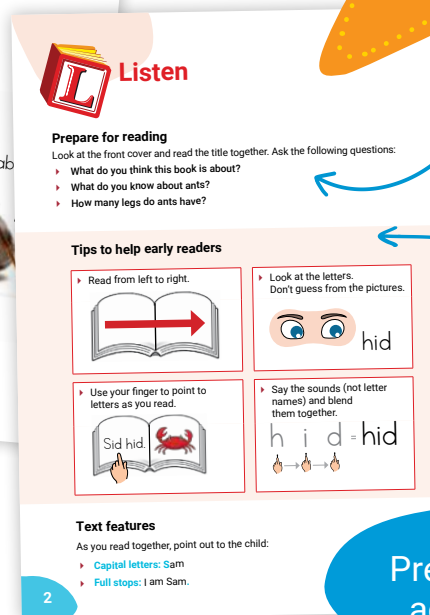
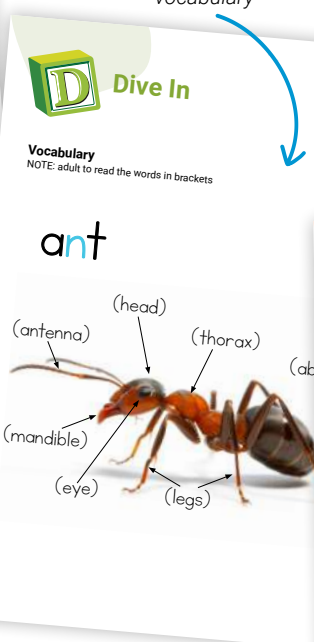
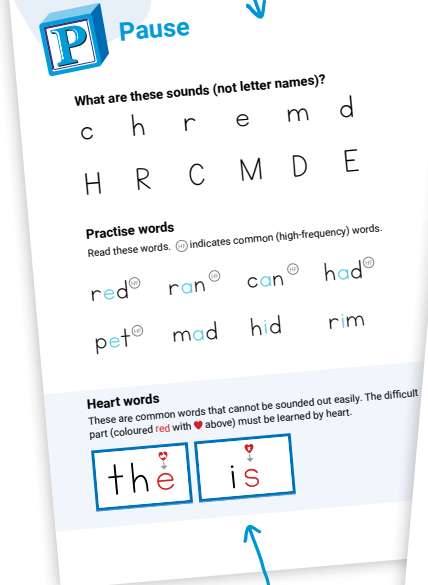
Each fiction book showcases beautiful photography from an Australia location, along with facts and information about that area.

further opportunities to practise phonics

finish with fun facts or activities centred around the book

Pre-reading activities

Post-reading activities



Foundation

Term 1 Home Reading Books



PLD Decodable Reading Books (Sets 1-7) is the winner in the Decodable Books category for the 2025 Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards!

Set 1

15 Books (12 fiction, 3 non-fiction)
CVC s a t p i n and capital letters

Books 1-5

- Low word count of up to 20 words
- A single line of text
- No high-frequency words
- Large font (PLD font size A)

Books 6-15

- Low word count of up to 30 words
- A single line of text
- ♥ Heart Words: a, l
- Large font (PLD font size B)



Photos taken at the National Arboretum, ACT

Fiction Example



Website Order Code DRs1

Set 2

15 Books (12 fiction, 3 non-fiction)
CVC c h e r m d, capital letters and full stops

Books 1-5

- Word count of up to 40 words
- 1 line of text
- ♥ Heart Words: a, l
- Large font (PLD font size B)

Books 6-15

- Word count of up to 60 words
- 1-2 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: the, is
- Large font (PLD font size C)



Non-Fiction Example



Website Order Code DRs2

Foundation

Term 2 Home Reading Books



Set 3

25 Books
(17 fiction, 8 non-fiction)

CVC g o u f l b,
full stops and
question marks

Books 1-10

- Word count of up to 60 words
- 1-2 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: a, I, the, is
- Large font (PLD font size C)

Books 11-25

- Word count of up to 100 words
- 1-2 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: has, his, as, of
- Large font (PLD font size D)



\$200
Total Inc. GST

Non-Fiction
Example



Website Order Code DRs3

Set 4

25 Books
(17 fiction, 8 non-fiction)

CVC w j v k z y,
question marks
and commas

Books 1-10

- Word count of up to 60 words
- 1-2 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: a, I, the, is, has, his, as, of
- Large font (PLD font size C)

Books 11-25

- Word count of up to 120 words
- 2-3 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: was, for
- Large font (PLD font size D)



\$200
Total Inc. GST

Photos taken
at Darwin
Waterfront, NT

Fiction
Example



Website Order Code DRs4

Foundation Term 3 and 4 Home Reading Books



Set 5

30 Books

(20 fiction, 10 non-fiction)

digraphs ck sh ch th oo
ee qu wh x, commas
and exclamation marks

Books 1-10

- Word count of up to 100 words
- 2-3 lines of text
- No New ♥ Heart Words
- Large font (PLD font size D)

Books 11-20

- Word count of up to 125 words
- 2-3 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: me, we, be, she, he
- Large font (PLD font size D)

Books 21-30

- Word count of up to 150 words
- 2-3 lines of text
- ♥ Heart words: me, we, be, she, he
- Large font (PLD font size E)



Photos taken
on Hamilton
Island, QLD

Fiction
Example



\$250
Total Inc. GST

Website Order Code **DRs5**

Set 6

30 Books

(20 fiction, 10 non-fiction)

CCVC & CVCC,
exclamation marks
and speech marks

Books 1-10

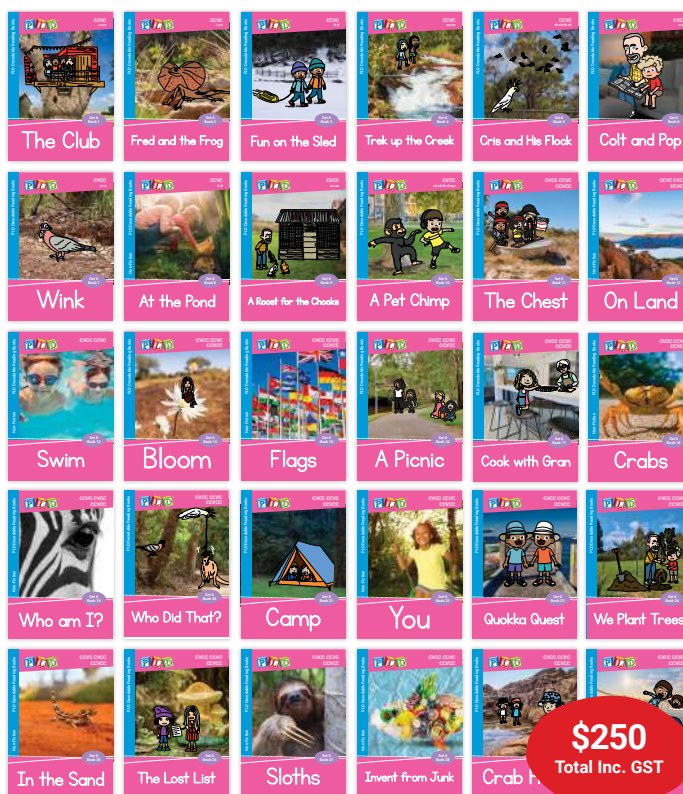
- Word count of up to 100 words
- 2-3 lines of text
- No new ♥ Heart Words
- Large font (PLD font size D)

Books 11-20

- Word count of up to 150 words
- 3 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: to, do, who, into, are
- Suffix -ed
- Large font (PLD font size D)

Books 21-30

- Word count of up to 200 words
- 3-4 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: you, to, do, who, into, are
- Large font (PLD font size E)



Non-Fiction
Example



\$250
Total Inc. GST

Website Order Code **DRs6**

Year 1

Term 1 and 2 Home Reading Books



Set 7 30 Books

(20 fiction, 10 non-fiction) digraphs ar or er ay ai oy oi al ng, speech marks and different punctuation

Books 1-9

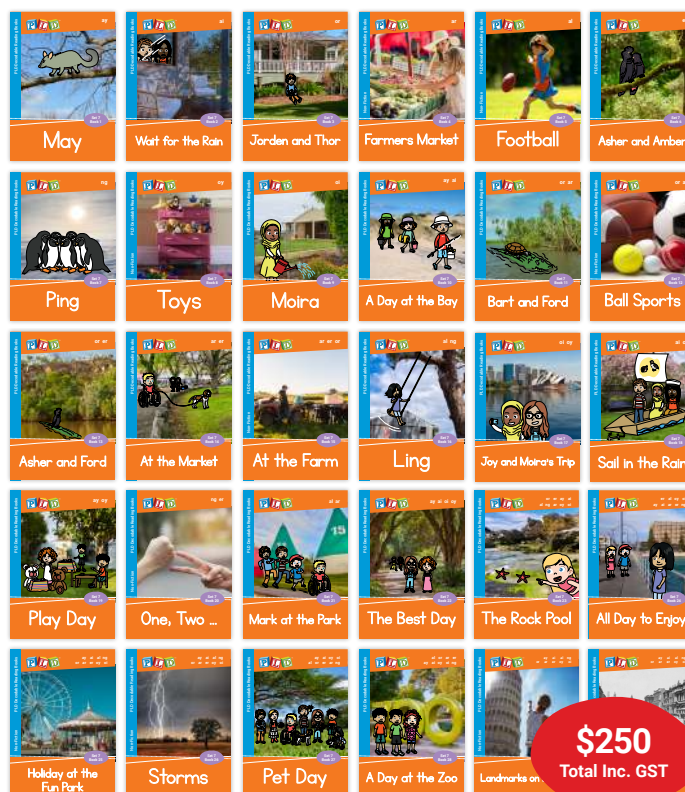
- Word count of up to 100 words
- 2-3 lines of text
- No new ♥ Heart Words
- Large font (PLD font size D)

Books 10-20

- Word count of up to 150 words
- 3 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: so, go, no, one, two, what, said, more, have, they, pull, put
- Suffix -ing
- Large font (PLD font size E)

Books 21-30

- Word count of up to 200 words
- 3-4 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: so, go, no, one, two, what, said, more, have, they, pull, put
- Suffix -ing
- Large font (PLD font size E)



Photos taken at Adelaide Zoo, SA

Fiction Example



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Website Order Code **DRs7**

Set 8

20 Books
(13 fiction, 7 non-fiction)

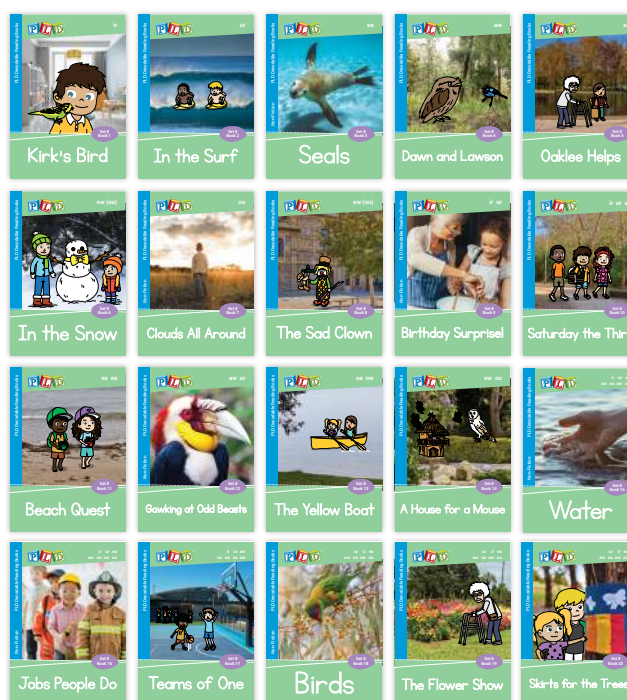
digraphs ir ur ea aw
oa ow ou
different punctuation
and suffixes

Books 1-8

- Word count of up to 200 words
- 3-4 lines of text
- No new ♥ Heart Words

Books 9-20

- Word count of up to 300 words
- 3-5 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: where, there, their, even, come, some, what, something, someone, sometimes, water, people
- PLD font size D



Non-Fiction Example



\$165
Total Inc. GST

Website Order Code **DRs8**

Year 1

Term 3 and 4 Home Reading Books



Set 9

20 Books
(13 fiction, 7 non-fiction)

e-e i-e a-e o-e u-e ll ss
ff zz and triple initial
consonant blends
different punctuation
and suffixes

Books 9-20

- Word count of up to 250 words
- 3-4 lines of text
- No new ♥ Heart Words
- PLD font size F

Books 9-20

- Word count of up to 350 words
- 3-6 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: after, ask, last, fast, father, class, basketball, afternoon, does, gone, here, were
- PLD font size F



Photos taken at
Port Campbell
National Park,
Victoria

Fiction
Example



Website Order Code **DRs9**

Set 10

20 Books
(14 fiction, 6 non-fiction)

ue ew y/y i ie kn ve and
double initial and double
final consonant blends
different punctuation
and suffixes

Books 1-8

- Word count of up to 300 words
- 3-5 lines of text
- No new ♥ Heart Words
- PLD font size F

Books 9-20

- Word count of up to 400 words
- 3-7 lines of text
- ♥ Heart Words: won, above, other, love, another, mother, front, brother, only, over, open, word, work, would, animal, buy, Monday, Wednesday, month
- PLD font size F



Non-Fiction
Example



Website Order Code **DRs10**

Foundation Bundles

Foundation Decodable Reading Book Bundle

7 sets (170 books in total!)



15% Discount

Website Order Code **DRS17**

Foundation Integrated SSP Kit and Decodable Reading Book Bundle

The Integrated SSP Kit consolidates a full year of week-by-week SSP teaching materials and Daily Reviews into one comprehensive kit.

Combined here with 170 engaging decodable texts.



15% Discount

Website Order Code **KitFDRS17**

Take advantage of a **15% discount**

with our bundle options and stock your classroom with high-quality resources that foster confident readers.

Year 1 Bundles

Year 1 Essential Decodable Book Bundle

4 sets (90 books in total!)

Year 1 Essential Decodable Book Bundle

7 sets (175 books in total!)

Year 1 Integrated SSP Kit and Decodable Books Bundle



15% Discount

Website Order Code **DRS710**



15% Discount

Website Order Code **DRS410**



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Website Order Code **KitY1DRS710**

Aligning Decodable Books to the Foundation Teaching Sequence

Our Decodable Reading Books easily align to our SSP teaching sequence for Foundation and Year 1

Term 1 & 2	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Decodable Reading Books				
	s snake 	a apple 	t tiger 	m mix 	r rabbit 	h hot 	f five 	l lips 	g goggles 	w wind 	j jet 	v violin 	k kangaroo 	 Pip	 Ned Can Hit
	p pop 	i itchy 	n nose 	e egg 	d dig 	c car 	o octopus 	u up 	b book 	z zip 	y yell 	q quack 	x box 	 Deb and Bet	 Kim and His Kin
	⚡ HFW Words ♥ a, l			⚡ HFW Words ♥ the, is			⚡ HFW Words ♥ as, has his, of			⚡ HFW Words ♥ was, for				 Set 1 Code DRs1	 Set 2 Code DRs2
														 Set 3 Code DRs3	 Set 4 Code DRs4

Term 3	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Decodable Reading Books
	sh hush 	ch chop 	th, th feather, thumb 	sh ch th th	oo, oo look, moon 	ee bee 	ck clock 	oo oo ee ck	qu quack 	wh whip 	x box 
	♥ Words: me, we, be, she, he			♥ Words: to, do, who, into			♥ Words: are, you				 Chad and His C  Seth Set 5 Code DRs5

Term 4	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9-10	Decodable Reading Books
	sh ch th th	oo oo ee ck	qu x wh	CCVC a u	CCVC i e	CCVC b d	CCVC a u	CCVC i e	CCVC CCVC a, e, i, o, u	
	♥ Words: me, we, be, she, he			♥ Words: to, do, who, into			♥ Words: are, you			 Quacka Quack  Swim Set 6 Code DRs6



Scan here for short reading videos to share with parents



Scan here to purchase decodable books



Aligning Decodable Books to the Year 1 Teaching Sequence



	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	PLD Decodable Reading Books
Term 1	CCVC CVCC	ay tray 	ai rain 	or horse 	ar star 	al ball 	er/er her finger 	ng king 	oy, oi oyster coin 	revision	 Set 7 Code DRs7
	♥ Words: so, no, go, put, pull			♥ what, said, more, have			♥ they, one, two				

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	PLD Decodable Reading Books
Term 2	ir bird 	ur church 	revise er, ir, ur	ea leaf 	revise ee, ea	aw straw 	oa goat 	ow bow 	ou cloud 	ow owl 	 Set 8 Code DRs8
	♥ Words: there, their, where, even			♥ come, some, something, someone, sometimes			♥ want, watch, water, people				

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	PLD Decodable Reading Books
Term 3	revise ou, ow	a-e, e-e, i-e, o-e, u-e	a-e cake 	i-e vine 	e-e Steve 	o-e smoke 	u-e cube 	ll, ss, ff, zz	triple consonant blends	revision	 Set 9 Code DRs9
	♥ Words: after, ask, father, last			♥ fast, class, afternoon, basketball			♥ does, gone, here, were				

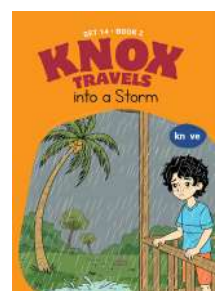
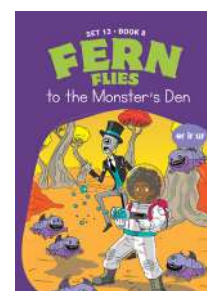
	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	PLD Decodable Reading Books
Term 4	revise a-e, e-e, i-e, o-e, u-e	ew, ue screw glue 	revise ew, ue, oo	y puppy 	homo- phones with ee, ea	multi- syllabic	y cry 	HFW ♥ words	HFW ♥ words	revision	 Set 10 Code DRs10
	♥ Words: won, above, other			♥ front, love, another, mother			♥ month, brother				

Year 2

Decodable Reading Chapter Books!

40 decodable chapter books aligned to the Year 2 Teaching Sequence.

Available from
Semester 2 2026



Support and Additional Material

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for additional
material



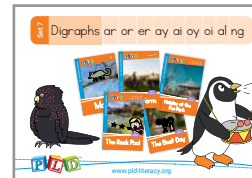
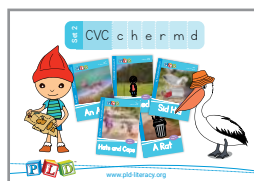
Certificates

Editable PDF certificates for students upon the completion of each decodable reading set. All certificates available to download for free on the PLD website.

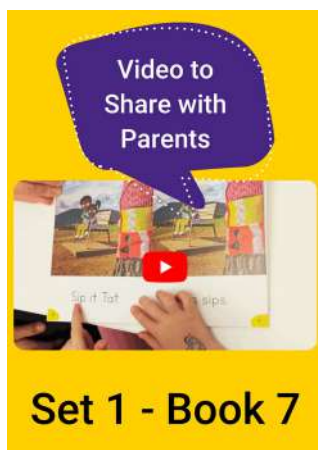


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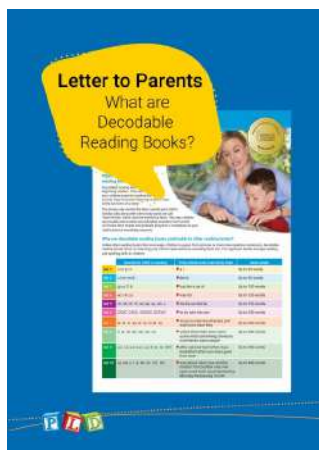
Designed for easy organisation and storage of the decodable reading sets. Horizontal and vertical options available to download for free on the PLD website.



Video Samples



Letter to Parents



Book Checklists

Book	Set	Book Title	Date of 1st Reading	Child's Name	Date of 2nd Reading	Date of 3rd Reading	Date of 4th Reading
Book 1	Set 1	Book 1: The Cat					
Book 2	Set 1	Book 2: The Dog					
Book 3	Set 1	Book 3: The Frog					
Book 4	Set 1	Book 4: The Bird					
Book 5	Set 1	Book 5: The Fish					
Book 6	Set 1	Book 6: The Tree					
Book 7	Set 1	Book 7: The House					
Book 8	Set 1	Book 8: The Car					
Book 9	Set 1	Book 9: The Boat					
Book 10	Set 1	Book 10: The Plane					
Book 11	Set 1	Book 11: The Train					
Book 12	Set 1	Book 12: The Ship					
Book 13	Set 1	Book 13: The Rocket					
Book 14	Set 1	Book 14: The Space Ship					
Book 15	Set 1	Book 15: The Moon					
Book 16	Set 1	Book 16: The Sun					
Book 17	Set 1	Book 17: The Stars					
Book 18	Set 1	Book 18: The Planets					
Book 19	Set 1	Book 19: The Galaxy					
Book 20	Set 1	Book 20: The Universe					

Phonics Charts

