



## Big Pig on a Dig: About the words in this book

Most words in *Big Pig on a Dig* can be broken down into single letters representing single phonemes (such as “p-i-g” and “n-a-p-s”). There are some words in the book, however, where a combination of letters creates a single phoneme, and these are listed below.

letter	l-e-tt-er	
look	l-oo-k	
this	th-i-s	
digging	d-i-gg-i-ng	
shows	sh-ow-s	“ow” is an alternative spelling of the “oa” sound.
sees	s-ee-s	
need	n-ee-d	
dream	d-r-ea-m	“ea” is an alternative spelling of the “ee” sound.
cream	c-r-ea-m	
three	th-r-ee	
green	g-r-ee-n	
trees	t-r-ee-s	
napping	n-a-pp-i-ng	
happy	h-a-pp-y	“y” is an alternative spelling of the “ee” sound.
down	d-ow-n	“ow” is an alternative spelling of the “ou” sound.
found	f-ou-n-d	
ground	g-r-ou-n-d	
Funny	f-u-nn-y	
Bunny	b-u-nn-y	
here	h-(e-e)-r	“e-e” is an alternative spelling of the “ee” sound.

drew          d-r-ew

“ew” is an alternative spelling of the “oo”  
sound (as in moon).

for            f-or

### IRREGULAR WORDS.

These are the words that don't follow the phonic rules completely. Usually, the consonants are regular but the vowels represent different phonemes. You'll need to teach your child how to pronounce these words and to recognize the unexpected parts.

Here are the irregular words you'll find in *Big Pig on a Dig*:

be

no

there's

go

of

to

gold

old

what

he

say

where

I

she

you

me

there