# Youkan Reading Decodable Books



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## Overview:

Youkan Reading decodable books are designed for young children with dyslexia and/or children who may benefit from additional decoding support. The books follow a structured phonics scope and sequence, yet, use a chapter book format with illustrations. Youkan Reading decodable books are not a program; the stories are meant to supplement and support a student's day-to-day reading intervention program. To date, there are four book series.

### Series 1

The scope and sequence of Series 1 begins with one syllable, closed syllable words with up to three (3) phonemes. Prior to reading Series 1, students should be introduced to the common sounds of most consonants, and short vowel sounds ă, ĭ, and ŏ. There are five (5) short stories in Series 1.

### Series 2

There are five (5) short stories in Series 2 that are one syllable, closed syllable words with up to four (4) phonemes. By the end of Series 2, the following concepts are incorporated: all common consonant sounds, consonant digraphs ch, sh, th, wh, and -ck, the f, l, s rule, the double consonant silent letter rule (e.g., inn), suffix -s, and letter combinations am, an, all.

#### Series 3

The concept focus of Series 3 is initial and final consonant blends in one syllable, closed syllable words. Other concepts include one syllable words ending in -ng and -nk and exceptions īld, īnd, ōld, ōlt, ōst. Words include up to six (6) phonemes.

#### Series 4

Series 4 begins with two syllable, closed syllable words (VC/CV; VC/V) and increase to up to four syllable closed syllable words that include schwa. Other concepts include suffix endings ed=/ed/, -est, -ing, -ness, -s.

## Sight Words

For Youkan Reading decodable books, the term "sight words" refers to irregularly spelled English words (e.g., come, have, you), and include regularly spelled words that follow rules not yet introduced to the student in a structured scope and sequence [i.e., a closed syllable with suffix -s (e.g., bugs) would be considered a sight word in Series 1]. The sight words used in Youkan Reading decodable books do not follow a prescribed sequence of introduction, rather, they were chosen for two reasons. They are either identified as early elementary frequently used sight words, or are used to help a story make sense. Although sight words are used in Youkan Reading decodable books, the overall decodability of the stories range from 75% - 95%.

Youkan Reading Decodable Books Scope and Sequence			
Series 1 Total words = 221	Closed Sylla	bles (up to 3 phonemes)	
A Dig	Consonants	b, c=/k/, d, f, g = /g/, h, k, l, n, p, r, s,=/s/, t	
38 words	Vowels Sight Words	ă, ĭ, ŏ a, and, is, the	
Fig the Pig	Consonants	b, c=/k/, d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/, t, x	
43 words	Vowels Digraphs Sight Words	ă, ĭ, ŏ, <b>ŭ</b> sh a, and, he, of, the, then, was	
The Bug	Consonants Vowels	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/, t, x, z ă, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ	
54 words	Digraphs Sight Words	a, <b>bed, put</b> , the, was	
The Run	Consonants Vowels	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/, t, x, z	
40 words	Digraphs Sight Words	ă, ě, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ sh no, said, the, to	
No Bath	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/, t, x, z	
46 words	Vowels Digraphs	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ sh, th, ck	
40 00103	Letter Sight Words	<b>qυ</b> a, and, he, no, said, the, to	

Series 2	Closed Syllab	les (up to 4 phonemes)
Total words = 404		W.B.
Rod's Pup	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/, t, x, y, z
	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ
78 words	Digraphs	sh, th, ck
	Letter	qu
	Combinations	
	Sight Words	a, and, of, put, <b>Rod's</b> , the, was
Which is Which	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z
	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ
58 words	Digraphs	<b>ch</b> , sh, th, <b>wh</b> , ck
	Letter	qu
	Combinations	
	Other Concepts	suffix s; $s = z$
	Sight Words	a, and, <b>down</b> , <b>have</b> , of, <b>off</b> , put, the, was
Fig, Rod, and	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z
Max Chick-sit	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ
	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
- /	Letter	qu
146 words	Combinations	
	Other Concepts	Suffix s; s = /z/; double silent consonant
	Sight Words	a, and, <b>are, be, by, do, for, go, her, let's my</b> , no, <b>pond, see</b> , said, the, to, was, <b>you</b>
Jill Gets Lost	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z
	Vowels	ă, ě, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ
	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
79 words	Letter	qu
	Combinations	
	Other Concepts	suffix s; $s = /z/$
		double silent consonant
		f, l, s rule
	Sight Words	a, and, <b>am</b> , <b>here, I</b> , <b>lost</b> , <b>me</b> , OK, pond, <b>ran</b> , see, the, was, <b>what</b>
Sam the Ram	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z
	Vowels	ă, ě, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ
	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
43 words	Letter	qu
	Combinations	all, am, an
	Other Concepts	suffix -s; $s = /z/$
		double silent consonant
		f, l, s rule
	Sight Words	a, and, <b>into</b> , of, the

Series 3	Closed Syllables with Initial and Final Blends	
<b>The Blugs</b> Total Words=724	(up to 6 phonemes)	
Ch. 1	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, <b>m</b> , n, p, <b>r</b> , s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z
The Blugs	Vowels	ă, ě, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ
The blugs	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
91 words	Letter Combinations*	qu all, am, an introduction of -ng and -nk (ang), (ing), (ong), (ung)
		ank, ink, (onk), unk initial and final two letter blends
	Other Concepts	suffix -s; s = z; double silent consonant; f, l, s rule
	Sight Words*	about, are, be, for, have, live, planet, put, they, want
Ch. 2	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z
A Junk Van	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, Ŭ, Ī, ō
	Digrapphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
140 words	Letter Combinations	all, am, an <b>ang, ing</b> , (ong), (ung) ank, ink, <b>onk</b> , unk
		(īld), īnd, ōld, (ōlt), (ōst) laitint and final two latter blands
	Other Concepts	Initial and final two letter blends suffix -s
	Omer Concepts	f, l, s rule
	Sight Words*	gets, goes, he, into, like, of, says, see, to, T.V., wants, we, what
Ch. 3	Consonants	b, $c=/k/,d$ , f, $g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z$
	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ, ī, ō
The Snick	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
110	Letter	all, am, an
110 words	Combinations	ang, ing, (ong), (ung)
		ank, ink, onk, unk (īld), īnd, ōld, (ōlt), (ōst) Initial and final two letter blends
	Other Concepts	suffix -s f, l, s rule
	Sight Words*	after, Ahhhhhh!, get, goes, hisses, into, let's, of, out, says, see,
	 no longer listed as "	to, under, was, wash

\* a, and, is, the are no longer listed as "sight words" \* -ng and -nk letter combinations with parentheses not yet introduced

Series 3 The Blugs (cont.)	Closed Syllables with Initial and Final Blends (up to 6 phonemes)	
Ch. 4		
Can a Snick be	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z
a Pet?	Vowels	ă, ĕ, Ĭ, Ŏ, Ŭ, Ī, Ō
	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
134 words	Letter Combinations	all, am, an
	Combinations	ang, ing, (ong), (ung)
		ank, ink, onk, unk (īld), īnd, ōld, (ōlt), (ōst)
		Initial and final two letter blends
	Other Concepts	suffix -s
		f, l, s rule
	Sight Words*	are, be, do, get, go, <b>feed</b> , <b>keep</b> , let's, of, no, OK, or, please,
		put, says, to, wash, we, what, you
Ch. 5	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/, h, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, x, y, z
The Best Pet	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ, ī, ō
	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
249 words	Letter	all, am, an
	Combinations	ang, ing, (ong), (ung)
		ank, ink, onk, unk
		īld, īnd, ōld, <b>ōlt, ōs</b> t
		Initial and final two letter blends
	Other Concepts	suffix -s
		f, l, s rule
	Sight Words*	about, are, be, <b>bushes</b> , <b>don't, from,</b> get, <b>getting</b> , go, <b>good-bye</b> ,
		he, her, let's, love, needs, of, OK, or, other, out, says, their, to,
		too, under, wash, way, we, you

\* a, and, is, the are no longer listed as "sight words" \* -ng and -nk letter combinations with parentheses not yet introduced

Series 4	Multisyllabic, Closed Syllable Words	
Life with		
Animals		
Around the		
World		
Total Words = 845		
Story 1	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/,h, j, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, v, w, x, y, z
_ *	Vowels	
The Banquet		ă, ě, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ; ī, ō; schwa ə
	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
162 words	Letter	qu
	Combinations	all, am, an
		ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk
		īld, īnd, ōld, ōlt, ōst
		two and three letter blends (initial and final)
	Other	f, l, s rule
	Concepts	suffix -s
	Syllable	VC/CV two syllable, closed syllable words
	Patterns	
	Sight Words*	are, be, by, do, for, get, have, he, herself, house, me, she, so, some,
		they, to, too, wants, you
Story 2	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/,h, j, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, v, w, x, y, z
The Job in	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ; ī, ō; schwa ə
Lapland	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
Lapiana	Letter	qu
157	Combinations	all, am, an
157 words		ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk
		īld, īnd, ōld, ōlt, ōst
		two and three letter blends (initial and final)
	Other	f, l, s rule
	Concepts	suffix -s, -ed = /ed/, -ing added to unchanging basewords
	Syllable	VC/CV; VC/V (two and <b>three</b> syllable, closed syllable words)
	Patterns	
	Sight Words*	are, do, does, for, go, he, into, many, <b>Poro</b> , put, <b>snow,</b> soon, there,
	-	they, to

\* a, and, is, the are no longer listed as "sight words"

Series 4	Multisyllabic, Closed Syllable Words	
Life with		
Animals		
Around the		
World		
(cont.)		
Story 3	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/,h, j, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, v, w, x, y, z
How Big is	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ; ī, ō; schwa ə
Small?	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
	Letter	qu
162 words	Combinations	all, am, an
		ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk
		īld, īnd, ōld, ōlt, ōst
		two and three letter blends (initial and final)
	Other	f, l, s rule
	Concepts	suffix -s, -ed = /ed/, -est, -ing, -ness added to unchanging basewords
	Syllable	VC/CV; VC/V (two and three syllable, closed syllable words)
	Patterns	
	Sight Words*	almost, are, bumblebee, for, I, live, me, month, of, park, see, tree,
•		too, want, was, you
Story 4	Consonants	b, c=/k/,d, f, g=/g/,h, j, k, l, m, n, p, r, s=/s/;/z/, t, v, w, x, y, z
A Ribbon for	Vowels	ă, ĕ, ĭ, ŏ, ŭ; ī, ō; schwa ə
a Gibbon	Digraphs	ch, sh, th, wh, ck
	Letter	qu
364 words	Combinations	all, am, an
		ang, ing, ong, ung, ank, ink, onk, unk
		īld, īnd, ōld, ōlt, ōst
		two and three letter blends (initial and final)
	Other	f, l, s rule
	Concepts	suffix -s, -ed = /ed/, -est, -ing, -ness added to unchanging basewords
	Syllable	VC/CV; VC/V (two and three syllable, closed syllable words)
	Patterns	
	Sight Words*	be, by, <b>day</b> , do, does, for, <b>forest,</b> from, <b>girl,</b> give, go, her(s), I, into,
		looking, no, of, onto, or, out, please, puts, river, see, she, so, soon,
		to, <b>tree,</b> wants, was, what, where, you, your

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Please feel free to contact Cheryl Young with any questions or recommendations regarding our decodable books.

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