## High Frequency Words List

The list below includes 300 high-frequency words from the UK government's phonics guidance booklet, Letters and Sounds*. The words are listed in order of frequency.

| 1. the | 21. that | 41. not |
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| 2. and | 22. with | 42. then |
| 3. a | 23. all | 43. were |
| 4. to | 24. we | 44. go |
| 5. said | 25. can | 45. little |
| 6. in | 26. are | 46. as |
| 7. he | 27. up | 47. no |
| 8. | 28. had | 48. mum |
| 9. of | 29. my | 49. one |
| 10. it | 30. her | 50. them |
| 11. was | 31. what | 51. do |
| 12. you | 32. there | 52. me |
| 13. they | 33. out | 53. down |
| 14. on | 34. this | 54. dad |
| 15. she | 35. have | 55. big |
| 16. is | 36. went | 56. when |
| 17. for | 37. be | 57. it's |
| 18. at | 38. like | 58. see |
| 19. his | 39. some | 59. looked |
| 20. but | 40. so | 60. very |

62. don't
63. come
64. will
65. into
66. back
67. from
68. children
69. him
70. Mr
71. get
72. just
73. now
74. came
75. oh
76. about
77. got
78. their
79. people
80. your
81. put
82. could
83. house
84. old
85. too
86. by
87. day
88. made
89. time
90. I'm
91. if
92. help
93. Mrs
94. called
95. here
96. off
97. asked
98. saw
99. make
100. an

| 101. water | 121. bear | 141. find | 161. these | 181. live |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 10. away | 122. can't | 142. more | 162. began | 18. say |
| 103. good | 123. again | 143. l'll | 163. boy | 183. soon |
| 104. want | 124. cat | 144. round | 164. animals | 184. night |
| 105. over | 125. long | 145. tree | 165. never | 185. narrator |
| 106. how | 126. things | 146. magic | 166. next | 186. small |
| 107. did | 127. new | 147. shouted | 167. first | 187. car |
| 10. man | 128. after | 148. us | 168. work | 18. couldn't |
| 109. going | 129. wanted | 149. other | 169. lots | 189. three |
| 110. where | 130. eat | 150. food | 170. need | 190. head |
| 111. would | 131. everyone | 151. fox | 171. that's | 191. king |
| 112. or | 132. our | 152. through | 172. baby | 192. town |
| 113. took | 133. two | 153. way | 173. fish | 193. I've |
| 114. school | 134. has | 154. been | 174. gave | 194. around |
| 115. think | 135. yes | 155. stop | 175. mouse | 195. every |
| 116. home | 136. play | 156. must | 176. something | 196. garden |
| 117. who | 137. take | 157. red | 177. bed | 197. fast |
| 118. didn't | 138. thought | 158. door | 118. may | 198. only |
| 119. ran | 139. dog | 159. right | 179. still | 199. many |
| 12. know | 140. well | 160. sea | 180. found | 200. laughed |

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| 201. let's | 221. fun | 241. any |
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| 202. much | 222. place | 242. under |
| 203. suddenly | 223. mother | 243. hat |
| 204. told | 224. sat | 244. snow |
| 205. another | 225. boat | 245. air |
| 206. great | 226. window | 246. trees |
| 207. why | 227. sleep | 247. bad |
| 208. cried | 228. feet | 248. tea |
| 209. keep | 229. morning | 249. top |
| 210. room | 230. queen | 250. eyes |
| 211. last | 231. each | 251. fell |
| 212. jumped | 232. book | 252. friends |
| 213. because | 233. its | 253. box |
| 214. even | 234. green | 254. dark |
| 215. am | 235. different | 255. grandad |
| 216. before | 236. let | 256. there's |
| 217. gran | 237. girl | 257. looking |
| 218. clothes | 238. which | 258. end |
| 219. tell | 239. inside | 259. than |
| 220. key | 240. run | 260. best |


| 261. better | 281. lived |
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| 262. hot | 282. birds |
| 263. sun | 283. duck |
| 264. across | 284. horse |
| 265. gone | 285. rabbit |
| 266. hard | 286. white |
| 267. floppy | 287. coming |
| 268. really | 288. he's |
| 269. wind | 289. river |
| 270. wish | 290. liked |
| 271. eggs | 291. giant |
| 272. once | 292. looks |
| 273. please | 293. use |
| 274. thing | 294. along |
| 275. stopped | 295. plants |
| 276. ever | 296. dragon |
| 277. miss | 297. pulled |
| 278. most | 298. we're |
| 279. cold | 299. fly |
| 280. park | 300. grow |

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