



Mouse Moves House: About the words in this book

Most words in *Mouse Moves House* can be broken down into single letters representing single phonemes (such as "r-u-n" and "s-t-o-p"). There are some words in the book, however, where a combination of letters creates a single phoneme, and these are listed below.

Mack	m-a-ck	"ck" is an alternative spelling of the "c" sound.
packs	p-a-ck-s	
backpack	b-a-ck-p-a-ck	
Mack's	m-a-ck-s	
Jack	j-a-ck	
pack	p-a-ck	
nick-nacks	n-i-ck-n-a-ck-s	
black	b-l-a-ck	
sack	s-a-ck	
crack	c-r-a-ck	
stack	s-t-a-ck	
snack	s-n-a-ck	
back	b-a-ck	
packed	p-a-ck-ed	"ed" is an alternative spelling of the "t" sound.
quick	qu-i-ck	
mouse	m-ou-se	"se" is an alternative spelling of the "s" sound.
house	h-ou-se	
now	n-ow	"ow" is an alternative spelling of the "ou" sound.
out	ou-t	
shouts	sh-ou-t-s	
plates	p-l-(a-e)-t-s	"a-e" is an alternative spelling of the "ai" sound.
here	h-(e-e)-r	"e-e" is an alternative spelling of the "ee" sound.
friend	f-r-ie-n-d	"ie" is an alternative spelling of the "e" sound.

time	t-(i-e)-m	"i-e" is an alternative spelling of the "ie" sound.
pictures	p-i-c-(ture)-s	"ture" is an alternative spelling of the "ch" and "er" sounds (as in adventure and nature).
they	th-ey	"ey" is an alternative spelling of the "ai" sound (as in daisy).
then	th-e-n	
that's	th-a-t-s	
that	th-a-t	
chats	ch-a-t-s	
with	w-i-th	
all	al-l	"al" is an alternative spelling of the "or" sound (UK) or the "ah" sound (US).
for	f-or	
door	d-oor	"oor" is an alternative spelling of the "or" sound.
floor	f-l-oor	
meet	m-ee-t	
my	m-y	"y" is an alternative spelling of the "ie" sound (as in tie).

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 *Mouse Moves House*:

come	onto	the
he	opens	to
moves	put	together
moving	says	