

Jolly Phonics Sounds

Ss - wave your arm like a snake and say "sssss"

Aa (short a sound) - students pretend that ants are crawling up their arm saying "a a a".

Tt - students imitate watching tennis and turn their head from side to side saying "t t t".

Ii - students wiggle their fingers at the end of their nose and crinkle their nose up as if to say "ick" but they say "i,i,i".

Pp - students pretend their finger is a candle and they try to puff it out "ppppp".

Nn - students put their arms out like a noisy airplane and say "nnnnn".

Cc and Kk - students click their fingers together like they are playing castanets and say "ck ck ck".

Ee (short e sound) - pretend to crack an egg and say "e". Remind them that their mouth looks like it's smiling when they make the short e sound.

Hh - students pretend to pant "hhh" like they are out of breath.

Rr - students pretend to be a puppy holding a blanket in it's mouth and say "rrrrr".

Mm - students rub their tummies and say "mmm".

Dd - students pretend to be playing a drum and say "d, d, d".

Gg - students pretend their hand is water spiraling down the drain saying "g g g".

Oo - (short o sound) - students pretend to turn a light switch on and off and say "o o o".

Uu (short u sound) - students pretend to open an umbrella by pushing their hands up and saying "uh uh uh". They can also point up in the air and make the same sound.

Ll - students stick out their tongues and pretend to lick a lollipop saying "l l l".

Ff - students pretend that an inflatable fish is deflating as they squeeze it and say "ffffff".

Bb - students pretend to hold a bat and hit a ball saying "b b b".

ai - students cup their hand behind their ear like they are having trouble hearing and say "ai?"

Jj - students pretend to be Jell-O and jiggle saying "j j j".

oa - students bring one hand up to their mouth as if something went wrong and say "oh!".

ie - students pretend to be a sailor and salute saying "ie, ie".

ee and or - students pretend their hands are donkey ears. Their hands point straight up for the "ee" sound and then point down for the "or" sound.

Zz - students pretend to be bees flapping their arms like wings and saying "zzzzz".

Ww - students cup their hands and blow on them with their voice saying "www". (**it must have more than just wind - they must use their vocal cords.)

ng - students pretend to lift a heavy weight and say "ng, ng, ng".

Vv - students pretend to be driving a car. While holding the steering wheel they say "vvvv".

oo and OO - students pretend to be a cuckoo clock. They move their heads forward for OO and back for the oo sound.

Yy - students pretend to be eating yogurt from a spoon and say "y y y".

Xx - students pretend to take an X-ray picture of someone and say "x x x".

ch - students move bent arms at their side like a train and say "ch ch ch". (**This sound is also called the Train gang.)

sh - students place their fingers over their lips and say "shhh". (**This sound is also called the Quiet sisters.)

th - students stick out their tongues and pretend to be rude saying "th th th". (**This sound is also called the Rude Brothers.)

qu - students make their hands into a duck's bill and say "qu, qu, qu".

ou - students pretend to prick their thumb and say "ou ou ou".

oi - students cup their hands around their mouth and shout "oi oi ship ahoy!".

ue - students point to each other and say "ue ue ue".

er - students roll their hands over each other like a mixer and say "er-er-er".

ar - students flap their hands like a seal's flippers and say "ar ar ar".

REMEMBER: THESE SOUNDS ARE THE BUILDING BLOCKS FOR READING!!!

Helpful hints:

- Blend these sounds with other sounds to make words.
- Practice the sounds and actions in the car or at home.
- When you see words, have your child tell you the sounds they know.

