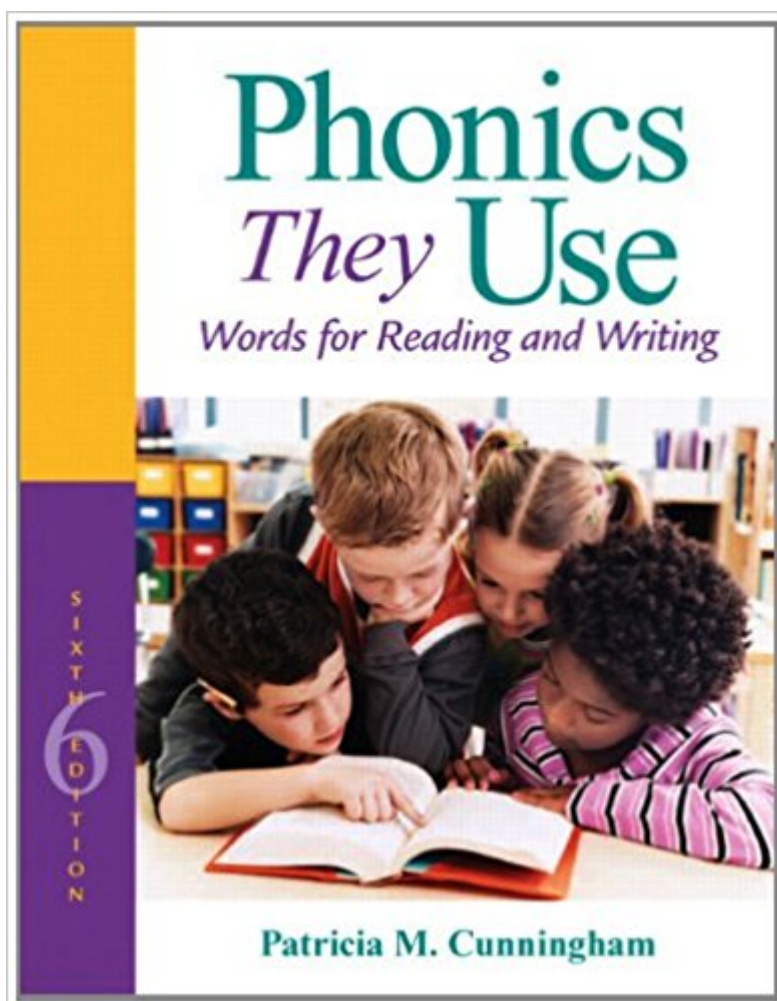


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# Phonics They Use: Words For Reading And Writing (6th Edition) (Making Words Series)



## Synopsis

Written by an outstanding scholar, *Phonics They Use*, seamlessly weaves together the complex and varied strategic approaches needed to help students develop reading and writing skills and offers a collection of strategies and hands-on activities that provide a framework for teaching phonics. Building on previous editions, it focuses on how students use phonics to read and write, not just how much phonics a student knows. Each chapter is filled with developmentally appropriate activities that help students with fluency, rhyme-based decoding, spelling, and more. This edition includes three chapters on assessment, more suggestions for adapting activities for English language learners, and new phonics interventions for older struggling readers.

**New to the Sixth Edition:**

- A new chapters on Assessment and Differentiation of Early Reading Concepts (Chapter 5), Fluency Assessment and Interventions (Chapter 8), and Phonics Assessment, Coaching and Interventions (Chapter 13)
- More suggestions For English Language Learners show how teachers have adapted the *Phonics They Use* activities to meet the needs of their students who are learning English.
- Phonics interventions for older struggling readers focus on activities such as “Brand Name Phonics,” “The Wheel,” and “Mystery Word Match” to help older students learn basic phonics skills.
- Updated research, materials, and technology (Chapter 14) provides the latest findings on phonics and its impact on reading and writing.

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A wonderful resource for someone who is tutoring children of different levels in reading. One book to help them with all of their children, what a bargain!

- Christine M Eaton, Owner/Director, Little Learners Early Childhood Center, Inc., Olathe, KS

Dr. Cunningham's description of her "personal phonics history" lets the reader see that she truly understands what being a teacher is all about. It is no wonder that every book or article she authors is a best-seller!

I already own a previous edition, but the new material makes this book worth investing in once again.

- Tracy Hendrix, Academic Coach, Carnesville Elementary School, Carnesville, GA

All elementary (K through 5) teachers should own this book and implement the strategies and lessons Patricia Cunningham suggests.

- Christine Frazer, Title I Reading Specialist, Henry P. Fieler Elementary, Merrillville, IN

**Phonics They Use: Words for Reading and Writing, 6/e** Patricia M. Cunningham

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There are some great tips in this book for teaching phonics that every teacher should use. Very entertaining almost like games.

Awsome for teaching activities to build success in phonemic awarness...

I can't say enough about this book and how it changed the experience of the children in my

classroom. As a volunteer teacher in a developing country, I had no experience and even less guidance when I began to teach elementary school last year. I brought many books on children's literacy with me and this is the \*only\* one I used. Patricia Cunningham knows how children learn and understands the basic tools that teachers must have if they are going to teach reading and writing. About 1/4 of my students were reading when I started the year, and by the end they could almost all form their own basic written sentences on paper and \*all\* of them could read very simple sentences. I would give this ten stars if I could. Buy it.

As I write this, this book is on back order. This is a great resource for primary teachers who would like explicit information on how to do a word wall and use many activities for using word families, etc. to teach phonics. But don't bother waiting for this book to be available again. Get the 3rd edition! It's worth the extra money. I purchased the 2nd edition several months ago, but when I examined the 3rd edition at the library, I noticed there seem to be many more activities and games for teaching phonics. The 3rd edition easily gets a 5+ star rating from me. It would be an invaluable resource, especially for new teachers! Making Words, by Cunningham and Hall is a good companion if you need help with the making words activities.

This book is such a valuable resource for new teachers. My district uses the Four Blocks literacy model and is heavily influenced by the teachings of Patricia Cunningham. This book gives step by step, easy to follow explanations of practical phonetic activities that can be used in the classroom. It is clearly written and is an asset to any professional teacher's library. This is my third year teaching and wish someone had given this book to me in my first year. Highly recommended for teachers who want to improve their phonics block with easy, fun, and educational activities.

This book is one of those that you don't ever want to get rid of. I've been enrolled in my first semester teaching classes now and have heard this stressed by more than one of my professors. Suffice it to say, it's the truth. This book has ideas and activities that will help any teacher at any elementary grade from Kindergarten to fourth or fifth grade. It is a wonderful resource and handbook you won't want to sell back if you've had to purchase this for your elementary education classes. For current teachers looking for a quick reference guide of sorts to skills and ideas, this is one you'll want on your shelf. It is easy to access chapters and activities that can be pulled at a moments notice. My own professor still has this book from when she was in college, a much older edition that has some things changed, but still today it works for her just as this newer edition works for me and

my peers and future teachers. This is a great book that doesn't make you search to find what you need, something most teachers would be happy to have and pull for reference and help. I highly recommend this and will continue to do so even years after I become a teacher myself.

This book is an AMAZING resource, and such an easy read! I highly recommend it to every elementary teacher. It includes ELL support, as well as help for older struggling readers, and TONS of great ideas for literacy instruction.

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