

KS1 English Quiz - Phonics - Tri Digraphs (Questions)

Tri Digraphs reminds KS1 children of the phonic sounds that are made up of three letters. Learning these phonic sounds will aid the way the child is taught to read at school. It will also improve their English language and literacy skills no end.

Most phonic sounds are made up of two letters, however, there are a few sounds that are three letters long. These are called tri digraphs. The word night is sounded out like this: n + igh + t. The middle sound is the same as 'ie' and 'i_e'.

1. Which of these words has a tri digraph in them?



- snail
- tear
- torn
- paper

2. The sound 'igh' belongs between two of these letters, but which two?



- b and t
- c and t
- f and t
- p and t

3. In the word 'picture', which three letters make one sound?



- pic
- ict
- tur
- ure

4. In the word 'explore', which three letters make one sound?



- ex
- exp
- lor
- ore

5. Which of these sounds is not a tri digraph?



- ear
- air
- igh
- aie

6. The sound 'ear' belongs between two of these letters, but which two?



- b and d
- s and d
- t and d
- q and d

7. In the word 'patchwork', which three letters make one sound?



- atch
- tch
- ork
- pat

8. In the word 'hearing', which three letters make one sound?



- hea
- ear
- rin
- ing

9. Which of these is a tri digraph?



- oa
- ee
- igh
- ai

10. In the word 'square', which three letters make one sound?



- squ
- qua
- are
- uar

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The sound 'ear' is a three letter sound. This means there are three letters but together they make one sound.

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If you add 'igh' between those two letters, you make the word 'fight'.

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Professional photographers use larger lenses on their cameras to get better quality pictures and are able to zoom in from a really far distance.

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These three letters make the 'or' sound - you don't pronounce the 'e' at the end of the word.

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The first three are all sounds that exist and will be found in words. The last answer is made up!

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'Ear' is a sound and a word. If you put that sound between 'b' and 'd', you make the word 'beard'.

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The sound 'tch' is often at the end of a word, like catch, snatch, patch and hatch.

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Although 'ing' is always together, it still makes two sounds. You have the 'i' sound then the 'ng' sound.

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The word 'tri' means three, that's why a triangle has three sides and three corners.

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The way you say this sound is like 'air'.