## Lesson 6 the letter $\mathbf{b}$

## Learning objectives

Children will:

- identify the sound b.
- identify words that begin with $b$.
- recognise and write $b$ and $B$.


## Australian Curriculum Content Descriptions

## Sound and letter knowledge

ACELA1439 identify and manipulate sounds (phonemes) in spoken words
ACELA1440 identify familiar and recurring letters and the use of upper and lower case in written texts

## Creating texts

ACELY1653 follow clear demonstrations of how to construct each letter, learn to construct lower case letters

## Expressing and developing ideas

ACELAI758 recognise the most common sound made by each letter of the alphabet, including consonants and short vowel sounds

## Vocabulary words

bread, bag, balloon, bell, book, bone, bath, baby, bear, bee, bank, ball, bat, boat

## ESL/ELL

Some students may mix up the sounds $/ \mathrm{b} /, / \mathrm{p} /$ and $/ \mathrm{d} /$. Teach them to pronounce these letters correctly
by mimicking you using sets of rhyming words like ban, pan, dan and bin, pin, din or bay, pay, day. Be sure to reinforce the initial sound.

## Extra assistance

To differentiate $/ \mathrm{p} /$ and $/ \mathrm{d} /$, show students how the lips come together to make /p/ and stay open to make $/ \mathrm{d} /$. In /d/ the tongue starts behind the top teeth and pulls down, while in $/ \mathrm{p} /$ the tongue doesn't really move.

## Classroom activities

## Buzzy Bee

Sit in a circle. Everyone says, 'Buzzy Bee, Buzzy Bee, what have you got in your hive for me? Something beginning with b!' Then students take turns around the circle naming something that begins with the sound /b/.

## Decorate the Letters

Provide the students with a piece of paper that has many different forms of the letter b on it - some dotted, some in bubble writing, some solid letters, a couple of capitals.

- trace over the dotted letters with different coloured pencils, textas or crayons
- glue collage materials such as paper bits, leaves or wool to the solid letters
- colour in the bubble letters with dots, stripes or shapes

| Reading Eggs | TEACH |
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| Lesson sequence |  |
| Hear: <br> Animated Lesson <br> Introduce the sound /b/ <br> through words and the song <br> Being on a Boat. |  |
| Write: <br> Dot-to-Dot | Reinforce correct letter <br> formation of lower case b. |
| Find: <br> Letter Grid, Trains and Birds | Recognise b in different fonts <br> in both upper and lower case. |
| Vocabulary: <br> Letter Book and Label It | Build vocabulary skills: <br> Match pictures to spoken and <br> written words. |
| Read: <br> Book | Read aloud book. |


| PRACTISE <br> Children will: | APPLY |
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| identify the letter b in <br> isolation and in words, and as <br> an initial sound. | Worksheet 1 <br> Phonemic awareness |
| write the letter b. | Worksheet 2 <br> Handwriting |
| locate lower case b and upper <br> case/capital B. | Worksheet 3 <br> Initial sounds |
| understand key vocabulary <br> and apply it in reading. | Worksheet 4 <br> Check |
| listen, follow the reading and <br> read along. | Reading Eggs Alphabet book <br> b |

## Bb <br> Lesson 6 • Worksheet 1

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## Phonemic awareness

1 Colour the bubbles that begin with $\mathbf{b}$.


2 Match each letter to a picture.


1 Draw a ball next to each bat.


2 Trace and write.


## Bb <br> Initial sounds

Lesson $6 \cdot$ Worksheet 3
1 Add b. Read the word.


2 Draw the bug's legs.


## Check

1 Trace the letter. Join to a picture that begins with that sound.


2 Circle the beginning sound. Write the letter.


|  | - | Draw | Trace | Write |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| bee |  |  |  |  |
| ball |  |  |  |  |
| book |  |  |  |  |
| baby |  |  |  |  |
| bell |  |  |  |  |
| bath | $\underbrace{\circ}_{8}$ |  |  |  |
| bear |  |  |  |  |

## Activity 1

Write $a b$ each time you read the book.
I read b $\qquad$ times!


## Activity 2

Clap each $b$ word as you read.


I counted $\qquad$ b words.

## Activity 4

Draw big, blue balloons. I can read the letter b!


