

How to use the Easy English scheme:

1. Start with Book 1 and the blue colour coded words and enable your child to read the words the phonic way, which is through the sounds of the letters. your child must also know the meanings of the words they are reading so use Book 1 and also the flashcards which will make learning fun and cater to different types of learners.
2. To use this series your child needs to follow each book page by page and each book in succession. Please enable your child to be comfortable and fluent with each page before progressing to the next.
3. Let your child follow each of the books as many times as your child feels comfortable with each book before progressing to the next book. Your child can follow the scheme at his or her pace. Please use the flashcards and the relevant book as many times as your child wishes so he or she can progress to the next book with confidence.
4. When your child follows the text in the book, enable your child to listen to relevant audio files of the CD or on the audio files on the website.
5. There are no exams or test, making this scheme a fun way to acquire the English language.

Easy English Book 1 is your word book. You will see the meaning of all the English words in Tamil or Sinhala.

The word Book 1 is divided into sections for Books 2-6. Each book has a colour code. For example Book 2 is colour coded blue, so you will words for Book 2 marked blue and the flashcards for Book 2 are in blue. So your child will need to know how to say the words of Book 2 and the meaning of the words before you read the story of Book 2.

The rest of the books 3, 4, 5 and 6 are colour coded too so you see the colour coded sections and words in Book 1. Please use the relevant colour flashcards.

When you start the reading books you will see on the left hand pages of the reading books, the words you need to know to read the text on the right hand page. These are for your child to use as prompts or reminders.

Before we start we need to know the alphabet. It is here that we establish a distinction. Letters in CAPITALS are the letter names and letters in simple font are the letter sounds. It is the letter sound that we use in the Easy English reading scheme.

The letter names are as follows:

ADCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

Now we focus on what is important which is the letter sounds or phonics. Please listen carefully in the CD and follow the letter sound alphabet.
abdcefg hijklm nopqrst uvwxyz

Now that you have listened to the phonic sounds of the alphabet, please listen and try again with us.

abdcefg hijklm nopqrst uvwxyz

Now lets try a few easy words

c a t - cat

h a t - hat

m a n - man

j a m - jam

'e' in this case is e sound

r e d - red

g e t - get

i is said using i sound

i n - in

s i t - sit

o is pronounced o

b o y - boy

d o g - dog

u is pronounced u here

s u n - sun

b u n - bun

y is said with the ai sound

s k y - sky

sometimes e becomes an i sound

h e - he

b e - be

Lets begin by following the words for the Book 2.