

CHAPTER SEVEN

The Rest of the Phonograms

At this stage in his reading, a child has learned to blend, from left to right, a beginning letter or digraph with either a one vowel word chunk or a two or three-vowel word chunk. He has learned a sequence that looks something like this:

ba
bat
batch
batting
bland
blake
flake
grate
stake
spade

He can mix up words like:

strand and string
step and steep
catching and crating

He can easily see the difference between each of these words (above) because he can sound each of them out using a proper left-right reading sequence. So he's ready for bigger words with more syllables that contain phonograms such as this very partial list:

igh ew oo sch -tion -ous -ough -amb - alk