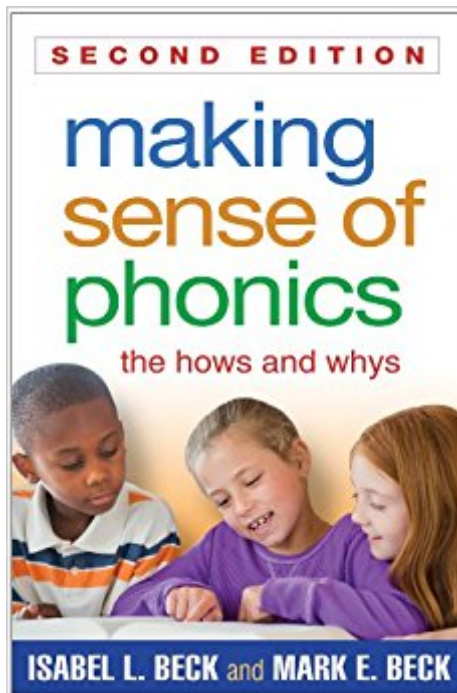




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# Making Sense Of Phonics, Second Edition (2)



## Synopsis

This bestselling book provides indispensable tools and strategies for explicit, systematic phonics instruction in K-3. Teachers learn effective ways to build students' decoding skills by teaching letter-sound relationships, blending, word building, multisyllabic decoding, fluency, and more. The volume is packed with engaging classroom activities, many specific examples, and research-based explanations. It offers a complete phonics assessment and clear guidelines for sequencing instruction to give every student a strong foundation for reading. More than 30 reproducible forms and word lists are included in the appendices. Purchasers get access to a Web page where they can download and print the reproducible materials in a convenient 8 1/2" x 11" size and find a wealth of supplemental teaching resources. New to This Edition\*Six additional chapters covering key topics, including assessment, phonemic awareness, orthography, and automaticity.\*A complete phonics assessment with administering and scoring guidelines.\*Downloadable forms and word lists, plus a companion website with rich supplemental resources, including word/syllable cards, assessment tools, and illustrated stories featuring target words, which teachers can project or print for classroom use.\*More classroom examples and "Your Turn" activities, as well as expanded word lists. See also *Bringing Words to Life, Second Edition: Robust Vocabulary Instruction and Creating Robust Vocabulary: Frequently Asked Questions and Extended Examples*, by Isabel L. Beck, Margaret G. McKeown, and Linda Kucan, which provide essential tools for K-12 vocabulary instruction.

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## Customer Reviews

This book has been so useful in my graduate school reading specialist masters program and in my own teaching! Beck puts things in a simple way and makes it very easy to read and understand. This has helped me help my struggling students in reading and I would recommend this book to any teacher.

This is the book used by the schools in my county. I bought it to help my daughter prepare for a more advanced school program. We used magnetic letters (like the ones for on the fridge) and an old cookie sheet. She thought the activities were really fun. Using manipulatives is helpful to many young learners. The rest of it's kinda dry if you're not an educator, but it does give you some good ideas for reinforcing phonics. Example activity: the child puts a certain set of letters on their "board" You tell them to put s - u - n and ask them to read the word. Then you tell them to replace the s with an r and read the resulting word (run). Then they can replace the n with a b and read that word (rub). They can replace the u with an o (rob) then replace the r with an s (sob) and so forth.

Straightforward, practical information about phonics instruction. Used in a graduate course, wish I read this my first year as a teacher. It's so easy to read and implement the ideas. The appendix has extensive, simple activities that make a huge difference in kids' decoding skills!

This book answered several questions I had about teaching phonics. An excellent book all around.

This book has great step by step directions for teaching letter sounds and blending. I particularly like the numerous word lists in the appendix that can be used for word building. They are sequential and start with simple CVC words and gradually move to more complex. You can use them with small groups or your whole class. There is also a very interesting chapter on teaching kids to decode multisyllabic words. Great for 1st and 2nd grade teachers.

It is a great book with helpful strategies. It has information on the history of phonics and how it has evolved. It is also very wordy and the print is very small.

Making Sense of Phonics is an extremely important addition to the field of early reading. This highly-readable and practical book provides teachers with the instructional routines and strategies critical to teaching students how to decode words efficiently. This book should be required reading for all teacher candidates at colleges of education around the country and would offer a great refresher course in phonics for current elementary teachers. Dr. Beck's brilliant work continues to move the field forward and improve the quality of education for our young learners.

Great book! This book has excellent ideas and lesson plans.... it is a must if you are teaching phonics.

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