



TOE BY TOE®

Diagnostic Test

Purpose of the Diagnostic Test:

This test is designed to evaluate the student's phonetic knowledge. Students who struggle to pronounce sounds / nonsense words correctly will benefit from using Toe By Toe.

Instructions for the TBT diagnostic test:

Working from left to right ask your student to read each sound / nonsense word.

The assessor marks the correct responses with a tick/check and incorrect ones with a dot.

Take the students first answer. However, if your student makes a mistake and rapidly self corrects then count this as a tick/check.

It is critical that you **DO NOT COACH YOUR STUDENT DURING THE TEST.**

There are 40 sounds/nonsense words within this test split into sections.

TOE BY TOE Diagnostic Test

Name of student:.....

Date of Birth:.....

Actual age of student: (years/ months):.....

Name of Assessor:.....

Test date before starting Toe By Toe:

Test date after completing Toe By Toe:

Total score / 40

Score of 0 - 29 We recommend Toe by Toe

Score of 30 - 35 We recommend Stride Ahead

Section 1.

Letter sounds.

b

d

qu

ch

Section 2.

Phonemes- units of sound.

ux

sith

dess

pidd

Section 3.

Phonemes- units of sound.

pob

dub

bod

pud

Section 4

Two and three letter initial blends.

gl

dw

shr

spr

Section 5

Mute 'e'. The 'e' remains silent at the end of the word. Its function is to change the preceding vowel from short to long.

N.B. Note to assessor please do not share this with your student.

sade

ene

clibe

brose

Section 6

Simple polynons - multi syllable nonsense words.

axitripp

astoppet

grepsannat

lippenfonn

Section 7

More simple polynons, including blends.

thrannox

grundigop

fritchipode

clipackile

Section 8

Vowel combinations.

atcheemop

estoaming

painaytog

fursoapert

Section 9

Nonsense words including the soft 'c' and 'g' and 'cc' and 'c/c'.

illercinnog

gipgepper

vaccondail

accertone

Section 10

Digraphs - two letters that make a single sound.

loinattaul

taulerpoy

autioning

mawcial