

These charts may help teachers trying to apply STEPs to their specific grade expectations in Primary grades:

**Common Goals for Grade K-3 English Skills Development:**

GRADE	PHONICS	SIGHT WORDS/CONCEPTS OF PRINT	GRAMMAR	WRITING
<b>K</b>	Letter names & sounds Upper and Lower case letters Initial sounds of words	Book Handling Distinguish Letters, Numbers Environmental Print Recognize First and Last Names Spaces between words Sight words: <b>PP</b> -a, and, away, big, blue, can, come, down, find, for, funny, go, help, here, jump, I, in, is, it, little, look, make, me, my, make, not, one, play, red, run, said, see, the, three, to, two, up, we, where, yellow, you <b>P</b> - all, am, are, at, ate, be, black, brown, but, came, did, do, eat, four, get, good, have, he, into, like, must, new, no, now, on, our, out, please, pretty, ran, ride, saw, say, she, so, soon, that, this, they, there, too, under, want, was, well, went, what, white, who, will, with, yes	Nouns for People Nouns for Places Nouns for Things Action verbs - present tense Adjectives for Colour Adjectives for Number Adjectives for Size and Shape Subject of sentence Capitalize names/proper nouns Verbs in past tense and future tense Pronouns he/she/we Singular and plural nouns Subject-verb agreement Prepositions for, to, with, in, on, out, off, by	Names Narratives Labels Descriptive words and sentences Capital to begin sentence Sentence end punctuation: . ? ! Writing a message /letter /note Making Lists Using sentence frames
<b>1</b>	Short vowel sounds Endings - s, ed, ing, er, est, es digraphs: ch, tch, sh, wh, ph, kn, wr, gn, mb Long vowels: a with silent e (ake, ate, ame, ape) and ai, ay I with silent e (ite, ine, ice, ive, ike, ipe) E with silent e (ere) and ee, ea, ey, y, ie O with silent e (ote, oke, ore) ow, oa, or	Sight words: after, again, an, any, ask, as, by, could, every, fly, from, give, going, had, has, her, him, his, how, just, know, let, live, may, of, old, once, open, over, put, round, some, stop, take, them, then, think, walk, were, when	Adjectives for: Size and Shape Colour and Number Taste and Smell Sound and Texture Sentence completion Singular and plural nouns Using articles (a, an, the) Verbs of time: present and past tense Verb : to be (is, are, was, were, will be, going to) Questions 5W Capitalize names of days, months, holidays	Narratives Labels and Captions Commas in a series Commands (single word sentences) Giving instructions Compound sentences (and) Use commas for dates Opinion Paragraph

	<p>R controlled words: er, ar, ir, ur Soft c, g, dge Contractions: 'll 'd, 've, 're Phonograms: y, ight, igh Vowel digraphs: oo, ee, ew, ou</p>		<p>Possessive pronouns: my, your, his, hers, our, their, mine, yours</p>	
<b>2</b>	<p>Common Final Blends nd, ng, nk, nt, ft, xt, mp Double Consonants and ck Syllables Suffixes -y, -ly, -ful Final Stable Syllables -tion, -ture, le Prefixes re-, un-, over-, pre-, mis Silent Consonants</p>	<p>Sight Words: always, around, because, been, before, best, both, buy, call, cold, does, don't, fast, first, five, found, gave, goes, green, its, made, many, off, or, pull, read, right, sing, sit, sleep, sit, tell, their, these, those, upon, us, use, very, wash, which, why, wish, work, would, write, your</p>	<p>Subjects &amp; Predicates Types of Sentences Verbs in the Present, Past, and Future Abbreviations Irregular Verbs Adverbs Choose Between Adjectives and Adverbs</p>	<p>Expanding/ Rearranging Compound Sentences Quotation Marks Story Paragraph Descriptive Paragraph Problem-Solution Paragraph Compare and Contrast Paragraph Informational Paragraph Research Report Opinion Paragraph Response Paragraph Response Essay</p>
<b>3</b>	<p>Three-Letter Clusters (scr, spr, str, thr) Silent Letters kn, wr Words with /j/ and /s/ Compound Words Less Common Plurals Prefixes un-, pre-, re-, bi Suffixes -ful, -y, -ous, -ly, -er, -less, -ness, -able, -tion, -sion, -ture Double Consonants</p>	<p>Sight Words: about, better, bring, carry, clean, cut, done, draw, drink, fall, far, full, got, grow, hold, hot, hurt, if, keep, kind, laugh, light, long, much, myself, never, only, own, pick, shall, show, small, start, today, together, try, warm, six, seven, ten</p>	<p>Abstract Nouns Pronouns and Antecedents Pronoun-Verb Agreement Adjectives That Compare Using the Verb be and Helping Verbs Adverbs That Compare Complex Sentences More, Most, -er, -est What Is a Preposition?</p>	<p>Dialogue Personal Narrative Explanatory Essay Persuasive Letter Opinion Paragraph Persuasive Essay Fictional Narrative Paragraph Descriptive Paragraph Problem/Solution Paragraph Compare and Contrast Paragraph Informational Paragraph Research Report</p>