Dear Parents,

Phonics instruction is the most effective method of teaching children to read and is widely used with young learners in English-speaking countries throughout the world. A child needs to learn to read before he or she can read to learn. By learning the principles of phonics at an early stage of development, a child may then focus and devote his or her mental effort to understanding the meaning of a text. This will lead to stronger comprehension earlier in primary school. When children become skilled readers in the early grades, they are more likely to become better learners throughout their school years and beyond. Therefore, phonics instruction is a necessary and crucial component of reading instruction.

Oxford Phonics World is a systematic phonics course that will take your student on a journey toward reading fluency. On this journey, your child will learn the 44 sounds of the English language and the corresponding letters and letter groups that represent these sounds. Moreover, beginning in Level 2 of Oxford Phonics World, your child will also learn to read words by blending the sounds of English in a systematic way.

We have designed this course with student engagement as one of our main goals. Throughout the series, students are introduced to new sounds and vocabulary through delightful Phonics Friends and mascots and vivid images. A wide variety of interesting practice activities, engaging sing-along songs, captivating stories, and fun, educational games ensure that your child will enjoy actively participating in the learning process.

Even if you are not proficient in English, there are many ways that you can help and support your child in his or her phonics education. Encourage your child to share with you what they have learned by reading words, sentences, or stories in the book. Make sure this time is relaxing, enjoyable, and interactive.

“A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step, and your child’s journey to becoming a proficient English speaker and reader begins with phonics.”
Praise your child’s efforts continuously, and let them know that it is okay to make mistakes. Make generous use of the Oxford Phonics World Multi-ROMs, Workbooks, Readers, and tablet Book Apps. Your child will enjoy using these fun, educational components with you by his or her side.

Oxford Phonics World gives your child the key that unlocks the door to the English language. The more your child uses phonics to read words, sentences, and stories, the better readers they will become.

Sincerely,

Julia Chang and Craig Wright