

MindPlay

Do you have the best decodable books for your students? Let's Check!

Ideally, you're looking for the majority of the books in your decodable collection to check the majority of the boxes below on our Top 7 checkpoints:

Systematic Phonetic Scope & Sequence

- Aligns with your school's structured literacy curriculum, allowing for the direct application of classroom goals.
- Comprehensive scope and sequence that includes all phonetic concepts.

Availability and Accessibility

- Multiple copies of each book for small groups and whole-class reading practice.
- Digital and printable books to provide home access and support classroom learning.

Builds High-Level Comprehension Skills

- Gradual increase in sentence complexity with repetition, phonetic growth, and increased decoding skills moving towards automaticity.

Vocabulary Expansion

- Easily accessible word lists, including concept words, heart words, and advanced vocabulary for pre-teaching.
- Conceptual & relevant vocabulary is emphasized to stimulate imagination and supposition while building background knowledge.
- Advanced words challenge students to apply decoding skills.

Artwork and Visual Cues

- Diverse artwork of varying styles with a wide variety of characters hinting at content rather than providing visual cues while supporting background knowledge acquisition.
- Students can "see" themselves reflected in the illustrations and the world around them.

Content Variety

- Varied high-interest content & storylines, including fiction to nonfiction, poetry, and beyond.
- Content emphasizes the direct application of phonics concepts while expanding students' knowledge base, utilizing rhyme and repetition when beneficial.

Relevance and Alignment

- Relevant, fresh content aligned to state standards that balance phonics instruction with engaging and diverse storylines to encourage and empower students.
- Support students in moving toward automaticity with the goal of moving to more unstructured texts, like leveled readers and beyond.