# The ABCs of Grapheme/ Phoneme Correspondence

The English Language is complex, with a deep orthography. Its rich history and diverse influences present unique challenges for learners and educators alike. Unlike more phonetic languages, words in English rarely demonstrate one-to-one correspondence between letters and sounds, making it both intriguing and, at times, perplexing.

Delve into the wonderful world of graphemes and phonemes in this workshop. We will cover practical definitions, "big ideas", and engaging, hands-on activities to try with students. We will also explore some of the more challenging aspects of our language, including coarticulation, stress, and schwa. Our goal is to assist educators in developing a deeper understanding of the complexity and richness of our language.





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## **Key Workshop Concepts**

- general context/curriculum context
- key definitions and "big ideas"
- phoneme coarticulation in words and why it matters
- understanding vowel phonemes
- schwa/stress-timed language
- the importance of flexibility when word solving
- activities for exploring grapheme/phoneme correspondence in both reading and writing



#### **In-Person Dates:**

Saturday, April 5, 2025: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 8, 2025: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.



#### Location:

1110 Stellar Drive, Unit 102, Newmarket, Ontario, L3Y 6H6



### **Online Date:**

Tuesday, May 20, 2025: 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.



#### Price

\$30 per person

Sign up by emailing us at sales@syllasense.com

## **Workshop Resources**

This workshop includes access to a shared Google Folder, filled with resources to support instruction. Shared files include:

- informal assessment
- resources for tracking student progress
- blending cards and grapheme decks
- games and extension activities
- links to reference materials

