

Parent Guide to the Standards

# Consonant Digraphs

## Today's Standard

1.RF.3a - Know the spelling-sound correspondences for common consonant digraphs.

#### Real-World Applications for this Standard

Reading simple words like 'ship', 'chop', and 'whale'.; Writing words with consonant digraphs in sentences.; Identifying consonant digraphs in a list of words.; Playing phonics games that focus on consonant digraphs.

#### Today I Learned

Today we learned about consonant digraphs. These are pairs of consonants that make one sound, like 'sh' in 'ship' or 'ch' in 'chop'.

## **Common Stumbling Blocks**

Sometimes kids think each letter in a digraph makes its own sound. They also might mix up digraphs with blends, which have two sounds. We can help them by showing examples and practicing.

#### Quiz Me

- What sound does 'sh' make?
- Can you find the digraph in the word 'chop'?
- What is a digraph?
- Give an example of a word with 'th'.
- Is 'bl' a digraph or a blend?

# Help Me

A digraph is when two consonants come together to make one sound, like 'sh' in 'ship'. You can find digraphs in many words we read every day. By learning them, we get better at reading and understanding words.