

Phonics Actions

s	S shape in the air with finger	/u/ o	Push imaginary swing
a	Biting an apple	/ai/ a	Pat hands down (tapping table)
t	Hugging a teddy bear	/ee/ e	Make hand into an emu head
i	Scuttling insect fingers	/igh/ i	Hide behind hands (peekaboo)
p	Frying pan flip	/oa/ o	Pretend to bounce a yo-yo
n	Basketball in the net	/yoo/ u	Use finger to make unicorn horn
c	Use hands as cat ears	(igh) y	Arms out like plane wings
k	Pick up kit bag	ee	Slither arm along 'floor'
ck	Duck beak hands	or	Pretend to eat from fork
e	Cracking eggs	z	Swipe hand across chest, fingers spread
h	Tap top of head	zz	Pretend to play saxophone
r	Two finger rat teeth	/w/ wh	Pretend to turn wheel
m	Point at open palm	/ee/ ea	Two handed-eating
d	Mimic digging	/e/ ea	Turn head profile to the side
g	Hands on hips	/z/ s	
o	Squeeze orange	/z/ se	Hold nose (smelly cheese)
u	Put umbrella up	/z/ ze	Spread arm over head like a kite in the sky
l	Hands climbing ladder	ng	Hold hand and hit gong
ll	Lean, listen to shell	nk	Pretend to write with ink
f	Wave hand like a feather	v	Play a violin
ff	Hand up, look over cliff	/v/ ve	Make a dove with thumbs hooked
ss	Clean glass, one hand	/short/oo	Open a book (hands)
b	Swing a bat	/long/ oo	Sign 'moon'
j	Pour a jug	/ee/ y	Make a sun with hand in the air
y	Stretch up both hands	x	Flick out foxes whiskers
ai	Put a plaster on arm	ch	Arms as if in an armchair
ay	Smooth palms over lap	sh	BSL for sheep
w	Slowly open palms (web)	/unvoiced/ th	Upturn palm and slowly open (like a thistle)
oa	Sign 'tree'	/voiced/ th	Point forwards
/oa/ ow	Tighten a bow	qu	Put a crown on your head
igh	Sign 'night'	ou	'Spike' finger with other finger
/igh/ ie	Push up tie knot	/ou/ ow	Make binoculars with hands
/ul/ le	Flick kettle on with finger	oi	Slide arm down arm

oy	Clap hands together		
/long oo/ ue	Paint with big brush		
er	Use arm to make a tail		
ar	Thoughtfully look at picture		
/s/ ce	Hold arms up in the air to form two tall towers		
/j/ ge	BSL for cabbage		
/igh/ y	Arms to the sides like a plane		
/yoo/ ue	Copy picture pose (point!)		