



Rākau | Tree phase overview

This overview shows the suggested order of the books, and the focus sounds, words to blend, kupu Māori, and Samoan words for each book.

Phase	Book Title	Focus sounds	Words to blend	Kupu Māori	Samoan words
Rākau Apostrophe (I'm) All syllable types Prefixes (as in re- un-) Suffixes (as in -er -est -ly) Further vowel and consonant sounds (eigh kn gh oar ore)	Tinā at School	Syllables	classroom bedroom classmate together remember kitchen		lavalava sapaui
	On the Forest Floor	Consonant doubling	running flapping sitting spotting dropped grinning	awa ka kite Tūi Weka	
	Tumble and Turn	Consonant doubling -le	scuttles bubbles rumbles jiggles ruffle wiggles	kia tere kia tūpato	
	A Midnight Roam	Prefixes mid- un-	midnight uncover unhappy midair unfair midway	ka kite Kiwi Ruru	
	A Colourful World	Suffixes -est	brightest closest loudest highest oldest biggest	tīpuna marae	Tinā
	We Belong	Suffixes -ing -ed	working feeling caring staying liking showed	aē tino pai ka pai	

