Need a good phonics program?

Some of these we have reviewed, others are recommended by trusted friends.

ABeka Reading Program, developed for Christian and home schools, includes K-6 readers, visuals, and daily lesson plans.

ABeka Book Box 18000; Pensacola, FL 32523-9160 (800) 874-2352 website — www.abeka.com

Alpha-Phonics is Samuel Blumenfeld's economical, nonconsumable, one-volume beginning reading program. It is a simple, effective program, also available on CD Rom.

The Paradigm Company
Box 45161; Boise, ID 83711
(208) 322-4440
website — www.alphaphonics.com

Turbo Reader, by Phyllis Schlafly, designed to teach any age student to read, is a hard-backed reader accompanied by the softcover First Reader Workbook.

Turbo Reader
P.O. Box 495; Alton, IL 62002
(800) 700-5228 or (866) TRY-TURBO [toll free]
website — www.turboreader.com

Phonics Pathways is Dolores Hiskes' one-volume, low-cost program, useful for home or school, primary or remedial teaching. Also available is Reading Pathways, a book of reading exercises to strengthen proper eye tracking.

Dorbooks P.O. Box 2588; Livermore, CA 94551 (800) 852-4890 website — www.dorbooks.com

Phonics for Reading and Spelling, by Bonnie Dettmer, includes a detailed home school teacher's manual with instructions for pre-school to adult use, phonogram cards, and audiotape.

Small Ventures 1618 Kendolph; Denton, TX 76205 (940) 566-6123 website — www.lakemerepublishing.com

Play 'N Talk offers a teacher's manual, recorded lessons, textbooks, games, and music. It has been called the "Cadillac" of phonics programs.

Play 'N Talk International Headquarters 7105 Manzanita Street; Carlsbad, CA 92009 (760) 438-4330 or (800) 472-7525 website — www.play-n-talk.com Reading and Spelling Pure & Simple, by Deede Cauley, is a one-volume program of phonics-based lessons for elementary, teen, and adult students. Ideal for one-on-one instruction – also effective in small groups.

Real Reading Company
P. O. Box 2508; Big Spring, TX 79721-2508
(432) 213-0383
website — www.realreading.com

Saxon Phonics is a detailed, more technical program with scripted teacher's manual, letter cards, worksheets, and small 8-page readers.

Saxon Publishers, Inc. (now a division of Harcourt Achieve) 6277 Sea Harbor Drive; Orlando, FL 32887 (800) 284-7019

website — www.hmhco.com

Sing, Spell, Read & Write, by Sue Dickson, includes audio tapes, paperback readers, charts, songs and games. Winning is available for remedial students.

Pearson Learning, Inc. (new owner of SSR&W) 4350 Equity Drive/P.O. Box 2649; Columbus, OH 43216 (800) 321-8322

website — www.pearsonschool.com

The Spalding Method, by Romalda Spalding, is excellent, and requires teacher training to implement. The Writing Road to Reading text and Phonogram cards are the core of this program.

Spalding Education International 2814 West Bell Road, Suite 1405; Phoenix, AZ 85053 (877) 866-7451 (toll free)

website — www.spalding.org

The Great Saltmine & Hifwip Direct Phonics Reading Program, by Frank Rogers, is an excellent, economical vertical phonics program that teaches the most common Phonograms (s, a, l, t, m, i, n, e) first, and emphasizes the high frequency words in print.

TATRAS (Teach America to Read & Spell) P.O. Box 44093; Tacoma, WA 98448 (253) 531-0312

website - www.verticalphonics.com

Right Track Reading Lessons, by Miscese Gagen is a low cost, complete phonics program, ideal for one-on-one use with beginning readers. Back On The Right Track can help older/adult remedial learners.

Right Track Reading LLC
P.O. Box 1952; Livingston, MT 59047
website — www.righttrackreading.com