

Articles – Phonic and Phonics

What is the different between Phonic and Phonics?

When the word **Phonic** is used, it is used instead of the word *sound*. For example: *The phonic range of Hawaiian is only 13 sounds. The phonic range of American English is about 44 sounds; while the phonic range of British English is about 46.*

When the word **Phonics** is used, it refers to the link between the sounds in a language and the letters (or signs) used to represent those sounds. For example: *One of the reasons learning to read English is difficult is that there are about 45 sounds, and only 26 letters.*

This means that the word *Phonic* is not the singular form of *Phonics*.

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