## Module 4.2 Word Reading Development

- The Alphabetic Principle
  - Written letter represent spoken phonemes
  - Poor cognitive access to the phonemes in spoken language makes reading alphabetic language very difficult
  - Phoneme skills are needed for both sounding out new words and remembering the words we read
    - Recall that we do not remember words by visual memory
- Phonological Skills and Reading
  - o Phonological awareness correlates with word reading development
  - o Interactive, reciprocal relationship