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SECTION E INITIAL TEACHING ALPHABET (ITA)

E.1-E.1570

This section contains material relating to the initial teaching alphabet (ita) invented by Sir (Isaac) James Pitman.

From an early age James Pitman was influenced by his grandfather's ideas for simplifying and standardising the alphabet. During the late-nineteenth century the phonetic alphabet developed by Sir Isaac Pitman, known as 'phonotypy', was used experimentally as a means of teaching children and adults in schools, workhouses, and jails to read in traditional orthography. On the death of Sir Isaac Pitman in 1897 these practical experiments were largely discontinued although academic interest in similar alphabets and teaching methods remained undiminished.

James Pitman became increasingly involved in spelling reform after he entered Parliament as MP for Bath in 1945. By adding new 'phonetic' characters to the twenty-six letters of the alphabet, he produced an educational medium, originally referred to as the 'augmented roman alphabet' but, from 1963, called the initial teaching alphabet, designed to minimise the discrepancies between spelling and pronunciation which can cause problems in the early development of reading skills. Pitman's research indicated that fluency in reading using ita could, by a simple transition, lead to rapid fluency in reading conventionally using traditional orthography. In 1953 the consent of the Minister of Education was obtained for new experiments with phonetic teaching mediums and in May 1959 *The Times Educational Supplement* published an article by James Pitman appealing to teachers of reading to volunteer to take part in ongoing research. A press conference was held at the University of London outlining the nature and scope of the research programme and calling for the support of education authorities, and the initial teaching alphabet research project was officially launched in September 1961.

Pitman's later years were largely occupied by his efforts to establish ita as a universal method of teaching children and adults, especially those with learning difficulties, to read. In 1963 he established the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, a non-profit organisation, which aimed to develop the teaching potential of ita throughout the world. By September 1970 it was estimated that ita was being used in approximately 4000 schools in the UK and in a wide range of teaching projects in North America, Australia and Africa. However, despite considerable practical success in persuading education authorities, politicians and teachers to adopt this alternative method of teaching reading, ita did not receive uniform or enduring official support. The ultimately unfavourable conclusions of the Bullock Committee of Inquiry into Reading and the Use of English finally ended

Pitman's hopes of gaining full governmental endorsement of ita and its use in the UK gradually declined during the late 1970s.

It was not possible to reconstruct fully the original order of the documents in this section. Repeated relocations and the accruing nature of numerous deposits by various members of the Pitman family has meant that the material lacked an obvious overall structure. The present arrangement is intended to reflect the activities of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation while facilitating easy access to the documents.

Throughout this section the catalogue entries for items with initial teaching alphabet script titles are given in traditional orthography.

For further biographical information relating to Sir James Pitman see Section A.

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E.1-E.82 DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT 1952-1977

This sub-section contains material relating to various aspects of the conception, design, and development of the initial teaching alphabet (ita). It also contains documentation concerning several other teaching and learning mediums directly related to ita.

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E.1-E.28 Design 1952-1976

James Pitman drew inspiration for the creation of his 44-character initial teaching alphabet from the phonetic alphabet or 'phontopy' designed by his grandfather, Sir Isaac Pitman, and published in 1844. The initial teaching alphabet is an extended, or augmented, version of the standard lower-case roman alphabet, omitting two letters, q and x. Most of the additional characters closely resemble normal digraphs, such as 'th', 'sh', 'ch' and 'ee'.

The letter forms of the initial teaching alphabet were designed to be completely consistent and reliable in the sound values they represent, thereby reducing the number of written variations of the 40 English sounds from 2000 to under 50.

Material relating to the basic concept and design of ita is presented here. The presentation is chronological.

E.1-E.4 Correspondence and papers *re* the calligraphic design of the initial teaching alphabet characters, 1952-1971.

See also E.24.

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E.5 *The Ehrhardt Augmented (40-sound-42-character) Lower-case Roman Alphabet*, I. J. Pitman, 1959 (annotated).

- E.6-E.9 Correspondence *re* the design, production, purchase and distribution of typewriters for use in teaching with ita, 1960-1976.
See also E.819, E.820.
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- E.10, E.11 Correspondence and papers *re* the spelling of words using the standard and initial teaching alphabets, 1962-1972.
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- E.12-E.20 Correspondence and papers *re* ita and other systems for the teaching of reading and writing, 1962-1974.
- E.12 1962-1963.
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- E.21-E.23 Papers and correspondence *re* the development of a scheme for applying colour to ita, 1963-1971.
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- E.24 Correspondence and papers *re* the shape and form of the initial teaching alphabet characters, 1965-1968.
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- E.25 Papers *re* the phonetic symbols used in ita and their pronunciation, 1967-1968.
- E.26 Correspondence and papers *re* the development of a system for the teaching of music using 'initial teaching notation' based on the initial teaching alphabet, 1967-1970.
- E.27 Correspondence and papers *re* the readability of ita in print, 1970-1971.
- E.28 Correspondence and papers *re* italic writing and the cursive form of ita, 1970-1971.
- E.29-E.57 **Speech ita (world ita) 1959-1977****
- The speech initial teaching alphabet (speech ita), originally known as world ita, was an adapted version of standard ita developed by James Pitman as a medium for teaching English as a second language.
See also E.58, E.59, E.904-E.1112, E.1312, E.1341, E.1346, E.1351.
- E.29-E.33 Correspondence and papers *re* the design, development, and possible application of a medium for teaching English as a foreign language based on ita, 1959-1977.
Five folders.

- E.34 16pp typescript draft (annotated) entitled 'World Intermedium' by James Pitman, 15 September 1961.
- E.35 5pp typescript (annotated) entitled 'A World Initial Teaching Alphabet (world ita)' by Sir James Pitman, 1965.
- E.36-E.38 Correspondence and papers *re* the use of speech ita in Europe, 1959-1975.
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- E.39-E.56 Correspondence and papers *re* the use of speech ita outside the UK, 1960-1975.
- E.39 Australia, 1964-1973.
- E.40 Canada, 1961-1967.
- E.41 Germany, 1963-1974.
- E.42, E.43 India, 1960-1975.
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- E.44 Iran, 1975-1976.
- E.45 Israel, 1962-1971.
- E.46 Italy, 1965.
- E.47 Lebanon, 1965-1967.

- E.48 Malta, 1973-1975.
- E.49 New Zealand, 1964-1965.
- E.50 Papa New Guinea, 1967-1969
- E.51 Philippines, 1962-1975.
- E.52 South America, 1965-1975.
- E.53 Sri Lanka, 1974.
- E.54, E.55 USA, 1959-1974.
Two folders.
- E.56 West Indies, 1970-1972.
- E.57 Correspondence and papers *re* the design and publication of speech ita teaching materials, 1969-1972.

E.58, E.59 Intermedia 1959-1964

James Pitman's interest in phonetic reform and his work on the initial teaching alphabet led to his involvement in attempts to develop a common language of international communication based on phonetic English. This initiative, closely related to world ita and the teaching of English as a second language, was sometimes referred to as 'intermedia'.

See also E.29-E.57, E.1182.

E.58, E.59 Correspondence and papers *re* sponsorship of research into the practicability of developing reformed English as an international language, 1959-1964.

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E.60-E.82 Alphabet D'Apprentissage (ada) 1962-1972

The Alphabet D'Apprentissage (ada) was designed by James Pitman as a tool for the more rapid teaching of reading and writing of French to French-speaking children. Based on the phonetic alphabet, like ita, ada was also developed for use in teaching French as a foreign language.

See also E.949.

E.60-E.67 Correspondence *re* the design and development of ada, 1962-1972.

E.60 1962-1964.

E.61, E.62 1965.

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E.63 1966.

E.64, E.65 1967.

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E.66 1968.

E.67 1969-1972.

E.68 Two copies of 17pp typescript (annotated) entitled 'L'Avenir de L'Apprentissage de la Lecture' by Sir James Pitman, nd *ca* 1965.

See also E.69.

E.69 10pp typescript (annotated) entitled 'To be read in association with' 'L'Avenir de L'Apprentissage de la Lecture', 27 May 1965.

See also E.68.

E.70 'L'Avenir de L'Apprentissage de la Lecture', Sir James Pitman, *Revue de Neuropsychiatrie Infantile* 14 (7-8), 1966.

E.71 Prototype picture textbook entitled 'Je Swee Frachae' by J. Smith, 1970.

E.72 21pp typescript entitled 'L'Aptitude a la Lecture Reconsiderée' by J. Downing, nd.

E.73-E.79 Correspondence and papers *re* the promotion and use of ada in the teaching of reading in French-speaking countries and the teaching of French as a second language, 1967-1972.

E.73, E.74 1967.

Two folders.

E.75	1968.
E.76, E.77	1969. Two folders.
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E.83-E.614	APPLICATION	1953-1981
	<p>This sub-section contains material relating to the work of preparing the initial teaching alphabet (ita) for use in schools and other educational institutions. It documents the efforts of Sir James Pitman to ensure that the practical application of ita was both successful and widespread.</p> <p>In September 1961 the initial teaching alphabet was introduced into twenty-one British schools and by the end of July 1965 the new medium was being utilised in over a thousand schools throughout the UK. During the 1960s and 1970s ita was used experimentally to teach reading and writing to a wide range of children and adults all over the world.</p>	
	E.83-E.168	Research
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	E.358-E.395	Government
	E.396-E.534	Schools and colleges
	E.535-E.614	Adults and children with learning difficulties
E.83-E168	Research	1954-1977
	<p>The ita research project conceived by Sir James Pitman, and initiated in September 1961, was carried out by the University of London Institute of Education in association with the National Foundation for Educational Research. It received funding from the Ministry of Education.</p> <p>Through the project, schools and other educational institutions were encouraged to adopt the ita approach to teaching reading and writing. Teachers were then able to provide evidence and submit reports on the practical application of ita. Results gathered over two years indicated that experimental ita classes were significantly more advanced in reading attainment than control classes using traditional orthography.</p>	
E.83-E.109	<p>Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the University of London Institute of Education ita research project, 1954-1976.</p> <p>See also E.622, E.623.</p>	
E.83	1954-1959.	

- E.84 3pp typescript entitled 'Scheme for the Investigation of Mr Pitman's Proposals for the Teaching of Reading' by P. E. Vernon, July 1959.
- E.85 1960.
- E.86 1961.
- E.87-E.89 1962.
Three folders.
- E.90 4pp typescript entitled 'Interim Report - First Results from the Augmented Roman Alphabet Research: A Remedial Teaching Experiment' by J. A. Downing, nd, ca 1962.
See also E.164-E.166, E.168.
- E.91-E.93 1963.
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- E.94, E.95 1964.
Two folders.
- E.96, E.97 1965.
Two folders.
- E.98, E.99 1966.
Two folders.
- E.100 4pp typescript draft (annotated) entitled 'Chapter I: Historical Background and Origins of the ita Research', 9 July 1966.

- E.101, E.102 1967.
Two folders.
- E.103 1968.
- E.104 8pp typescript entitled 'ita and Slow Learners: A Reappraisal' by J. A. Downing, nd, ca 1967.
- E.105 1969.
- E.106 1970.
- E.107 1971.
- E.108 1972-1973.
- E.109 1974-1976.
- E.110-E.114 Correspondence and papers re the involvement of the National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) in the ita research project, 1958-1973
- E.110 1958-1961.
- E.111 1962-1964.
- E.112 1965-1966.
- E.113 1967-1969.

- E.114 1970-1973.
- E.115-E.145 Correspondence with various English universities *re* research into ita and the promotion of its use, 1954-1976.
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- E.115 University of Aston, Birmingham, 1975-1976.
- E.116 University of Bath, 1967-1976.
- E.117 University of Birmingham, 1963-1976.
- E.118, E.119 University of Bristol, 1956-1976.
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- E.120 University of Cambridge, 1963-1970.
- E.121 City University, London, 1966.
- E.122 University of Durham, 1955-1975.
- E.123 University of East Anglia, Norwich, 1972-1973.
- E.124 University of Essex, Colchester, 1964.
- E.125 University of Exeter, 1958-1976.
- E.126 University of Hull, 1963, 1971.

- E.127 University of Keele, Staffordshire, 1955-1975.
- E.128 University of Leeds, 1963-1973.
- E.129 University of Leicester, 1954-1971.
- E.130 University of Liverpool, 1963.
- E.131-E.134 University of Manchester, 1955-1975.
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- E.135 University of Newcastle upon Tyne, 1973-1976.
- E.136 University of Nottingham, 1964-1971.
- E.137 The Open University, Bletchley, Buckinghamshire, 1972-1976.
- E.138 University of Oxford, 1963-1976.
- E.139 University of Reading, 1963-1976.
- E.140 University of Sheffield, 1958-1971.
- E.141 University of Southampton, 1963-1972.
- E.142 University of Surrey, Guildford, 1976.

- E.143 University of Sussex, Brighton, 1972.
- E.144 University of Warwick, Coventry, 1968-1973.
- E.145 University of York, 1964-1975.
- E.146-E.155 Correspondence with various Scottish universities and other higher education institutions *re* research into ita and the promotion of its use, 1963-1977.
Sorted alphabetically by name of institution.
- E.146 Aberdeen College of Education, 1970-1974.
See also E.416.
- E.147 Callender Park College of Education, Falkirk, Stirlingshire, 1971-1972.
- E.148 Craigie College of Education, Ayr, 1971-1973.
- E.149 Dundee College of Education, 1964-1971.
- E.150 University of Edinburgh, 1966-1974.
- E.151 Hamilton College of Education, 1969-1977.
- E.152, E.153 Moray House College of Education, Edinburgh, 1963-1977.
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- E.154 University of Stirling, 1974-1975.

- E.155 University of Strathclyde, 1969-1970.
- E.156-E.159 Correspondence with various Welsh universities and other higher education institutions *re* research into ita and the promotion of its use, 1955-1974.
- E.156 University of Wales, Aberystwyth, 1955-1958.
- E.157 St Mary's College, Bangor, 1955-1974.
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- E.158 Contrefle College of Education, Wrexham, 1974.
- E.159 University of Wales, Swansea, 1965-1972.
- E.160-E.162 Correspondence *re* arrangements for explanatory and promotional talks and lectures on the ita research project, given by Sir James Pitman at various colleges and higher education institutions, 1954-1966.
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- E.163 Correspondence and papers *re* the results of research into the use of ita and their publication, 1963-1965.
- E.164 4pp typescript entitled 'Results of Research into Pitmans ita', 24 May 1963.
See also E.90, E.165, E.166, E.168.
- E.165 4pp typescript entitled 'Pitmans Initial Teaching Alphabet Research Results', 1 October 1963.
See also E.90, E.164, E.166, E.168.

E.166 26pp typescript draft (annotated) entitled 'Experiments in Infants Schools with the Initial Teaching (Augmented Roman) Alphabet: Results of the First Two Years of Research' by J. A. Downing, nd ca December 1963.

See also E.90, E.164, E.165, E.168.

E.167 2pp typescript entitled 'Reading Primers Reached at the End of the Second School Year: Control and Experimental (ita) Groups Entered September 1961' by J. Pitman, 16 January 1964.

See also E.90, E.164-E.166.

E.168 10pp typescript entitled 'Summary of Results of ita Reading Experiment', nd ca January 1964.

E.169-E.357 Implementation 1953-1981

Material relating to the preparation of the initial teaching alphabet for practical application and the subsequent efforts of Sir James Pitman and the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation to facilitate and promote its use is presented here.

The material includes correspondence and papers concerning the production of ita word lists and text books for use by teachers. It also includes some publicity material and photographs designed to encourage the adoption of ita in the teaching of reading and writing, and a collection of press cuttings, assembled by Sir James Pitman, reflecting public and media interest in ita.

A large sequence of correspondence with a wide variety of individuals, organisations and businesses relating to the introduction and continuing use of ita in classrooms and other teaching and learning environments is also presented here.

The presentation is chronological.

E.169-E.243 Correspondence and papers *re* the design, production and publication of ita text books and teaching aids, 1953-1977.

E.169-E.175 Papers and correspondence *re* the compilation and publication of a definitive ita word list giving the ita equivalent for the traditional orthography spelling of approximately 3000 commonly-used words, 1953-1970.

See also E.1228, E.1269, E.1327.

E.169-E.172 Notes, correspondence and drafts, 1953-1970.

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E.173 28pp typescript draft word list with amendments, February 1962.

E.174 ita word list (annotated) inscribed on the front cover 'corrected 2 December 1969'.

E.175 ita word list (annotated) inscribed on the front cover 'corrected 6 May 1970'.

E.176 Correspondence and papers *re* the production and publication of an ita dictionary, 1963-1967.

E.177, E.178 Correspondence and papers *re* the conception and design of ita text books, 1966-1972.

Two folders.

E.179-E.225 Correspondence with various publishing businesses in the UK and North America *re* the publication of ita text books and manuals, 1965-1977.

Sorted alphabetically by name of business or firm.

E.179 Addison-Wesley Publishers Ltd, 1972-1976.

E.180 American Education Publications Inc, 1967.

E.181 Edward Arnold (Publishers) Ltd, 1971-1976.

E.182 Ernest Benn Ltd, 1971-1977.

E.183 Basil Blackwell and Mott Ltd, 1968.

- E.184 The Booksellers Association, 1969-1970.
- E.185-E.187 Boutwell Crane Moseley Associates (BCMA), New York, USA, 1971-1977.
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- E.188, E.189 Burke Books, 1969-1977.
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- E.190 Cassell and Company Ltd, 1977.
- E.191 W. & R. Chambers Ltd, 1972-1975.
- E.192 Copp Clark Publishing Company, Toronto, Canada, 1964-1974.
- E.193 E. P. Dutton & Co Inc, New York, USA, 1965-1966.
- E.194 Ginn & Company Ltd, 1965-1972.
- E.195 Grosset & Dunlap Inc, New York, USA, 1971-1972.
- E.196 Harper & Row, Evanston, Illinois, USA, 1962-1971.
- E.197 Heinemann Educational Books Ltd, 1965-1971.
- E.198 Hodder & Stoughton Educational, 1975-1976.
- E.199 Holmes McDougall Ltd, 1974-1977.

- E.200 Initial Teaching Publishing Company Ltd, 1972-1974.
- E.201 Longman Group Ltd, 1971-1975.
- E.202 McDougall's Educational Co Ltd, 1964-1965.
- E.203 John McGavigan & Co Ltd, 1966-1967.
- E.204 Methuen & Co Ltd, 1965-1974.
- E.205 John Murray (Publishers) Ltd, 1969-1973.
- E.206 Thomas Nelsons & Sons Ltd, 1972-1976.
- E.207 NFER Publishing Company Ltd, 1973.
- E.208 James Nisbet & Co Ltd, 1963-1967.
- E.209 Oliver & Boyd Ltd, 1969-1976.
- E.210 Oxford University Press, 1965-1977.
- E.211 Philip and Tacey Ltd, 1972.
- E.212-E.215 Pitman Publishing (Sir Isaac Pitman and Sons Ltd), 1969-1977.
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- E.216 Pitman Publishing Corporation, California, USA, 1976-1977.
- E.217 Routledge & Kegan Paul Ltd, 1973-1977.
- E.218 Schofield & Sims Ltd, 1971, 1977.
- E.219, E.220 Scholastic Magazines, Inc, New York, USA, 1964-1972.
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- E.221 Scott, Foresman & Company, Chicago, Illinois, USA, 1964-1968.
- E.222 Tom Stacey Ltd, 1973.
- E.223 A. West & Partners Ltd, 1970-1971.
- E.224 Wonderland Educational Press Ltd, 1966-1967.
- E.225 John Wright & Sons Ltd, 1972.
- E.226-E.235 Correspondence and papers *re* ita in print and the production and distribution of ita text books and teaching materials, 1955-1972.
- E.226 1955.
- E.227 1962.
- E.228 1963.

- E.229, E.230 1964.
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- E.231 1965.
- E.232, E.233 1966.
Two folders.
- E.234 1967.
- E.235 1968-1972.
- E.236-E.242 Miscellaneous catalogues and publicity leaflets *re* ita text books and teaching materials, ca 1963-ca 1981.
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- E.236 Publicity brochure *re* 'Pitman Playbooks', nd, ca 1963.
- E.237 *ita Books for the Teacher and the Child*, J. A. Downing, 1964.
- E.238 Publicity brochure entitled 'Pitmans ita', nd, ca 1964.
- E.239 Advertising leaflet *re* ita books for sale, nd, ca 1960s.
- E.240 *Books in the Initial Teaching Alphabet* (annotated), April 1974.
- E.241 *Books in the Initial Teaching Alphabet*, 1980.
- E.242 Publicity brochure entitled 'ita Books for Sale', nd, ca 1981.

- E.243 Correspondence *re* the availability and supply of ita text books and other teaching materials, 1965-1972.
- E.244-E.246 Correspondence and papers *re* the development and possible commercial manufacture of 'teaching machines' and other teaching equipment for use with ita, 1964-1972.

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- E.247-E.318 Correspondence with various individuals, organisations and businesses *re* issues and enquiries arising from the introduction and continuing use of ita in schools, colleges and other educational institutions, 1960-1981.

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- E.247-E.250 A.

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E.314 V.
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E.319-E.321 Correspondence *re* attempts to secure high-level support for and interest in ita, 1960-1977.
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E.322-E.336 Press cuttings *re* ita, 1960-1964.
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- E.322 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Press Cuttings: Book I', June-July 1960. Loose material intercalated.
E.323 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Press Cuttings: Book III', June-August 1961.
E.324 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Press Cuttings: Book IV', September 1961-June 1962.
E.325 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Press Cuttings: Book V', July-October 1962.
E.326 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Press Cuttings: Book VII', May-July 1963.
E.327 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Press Cuttings: Book VIII', July-August 1963.
E.328 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Book IX', September 1963-January 1964.
E.329 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Book X', January-March 1964.
E.330 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'Book XI', March 1964.
E.331 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'XII', March-April 1964.
E.332 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'XIIA', March 1964.
E.333 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'XIIB', March, May-August 1964.

- E.334 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'XIIC', April 1964.
- E.335 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'XIII', August-October 1964.
- E.336 Softback notebook inscribed on the front cover 'XIV', October 1964.
- E.337-E.354 Photographs *re* the use and promotion of ita, 1960, nd.
- E.337 Black and white photograph showing James Pitman with printed demonstration examples of the initial teaching alphabet, August 1960.
- E.338 'Teacher and Child, Staffordshire.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.339 'Children with ita wall pictures.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.340 'Child with ita letter cards.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.341 'Teacher and Child.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.342 'Dr. John Downing: ita research work.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph endorsed 'Teacher and children, Burton on Trent', nd.
- E.343 'Child studying ita letters.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.

- E.344 'Teacher reading ita with child.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.345 'Child with ita book.' Contents of folder so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.346 'Child writing in ita.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.347 'Child reading from ita book.' Contents of folder so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.348 'Children working in classroom surrounded by wall pictures and ita letter cards'. Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Two black and white photographs, nd.
- E.349 'A child with ita letters on the blackboard.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
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- E.350 'Child with ita wall chart.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.
- E.351 Three black and white photographs showing ita labels and wall chart in a classroom, nd.
- E.352 'Mr. Eustace and Mr. Downing: teachers' training course, Burton on Trent.' Contents of envelope so inscribed.
Black and white photograph, nd.

- E.353 Four black and white photographs showing a teachers' training course in ita, nd.
- E.354 Two black and white photographs showing specimens of a child's writing using the initial teaching alphabet, nd.
- E.355, E.356 Printed booklets entitled 'ita Correspondence Course' with annotations and amendments by Sir James Pitman, nd.
- E.355 Lesson 2.
- E.356 Lesson 3.
- E.357 Initial Teaching Alphabet 'Press Information Kit' containing photographs, publications, introductory notes and reading material, ca 1971.
- E.358-E.395 Government 1955-1977**
- Material relating to Sir James Pitman's correspondence with the UK government is presented here. Pitman corresponded with various parliamentary officials on a variety of subjects relating to education. He was also involved, in both an official and an unofficial capacity, with several parliamentary education committees.
- E.358-E.375 Correspondence with government departments *re* the ita research project, the use of ita in schools and the army and possible government support for the introduction of ita in primary schools nation-wide, 1955-1977.
- E.358 Ministry of Defence, 1969-1973.
- E.359-E.369 Ministry of Education, 1955-1977.
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Eleven folders.

- E.370 Department of Employment and Productivity, 1969-1970.
- E.371 Department of Health and Social Security, 1970.
- E.372, E.373 Ministry of Overseas Development, 1964-1972.
See also E.375.
Two folders.
- E.374 Scottish Education Department, 1969-1970.
- E.375 Department of Technical Co-operation, 1962-1964.
See also E.372, E.373.
- E.376-E.382 Correspondence with various members of parliament and government officials *re* parliamentary questions and debate on ita, its use in teaching reading and writing and a House of Commons speech by J. Tilney, 1958-1975.
Seven folders.
- E.383-E.395 Correspondence and papers *re* parliamentary education committees, 1964-1976.
- E.383 Plowden Committee, 1964
- E.384-E.387 House of Commons Select Committee on Education and Science, 1969-1970.
See also E.1391.
Four folders.

- E.388 Lord James Committee on Teacher Training, 1970-1971.
See also E.1410, E.1426.
- E.389 Russell Committee on Adult Education, 1970-1973.
See also E.1434.
- E.390-E.395 Bullock Committee on Reading and the Use of English in Schools, 1972-1976.
See also E.1422, E.1429, E.1432.
Six folders.
- E.396-E.534 Schools and colleges 1954-1977**
- Material documenting the introduction and use of ita for teaching reading and writing in schools throughout the UK is presented here.
See also E.169-E.357.
- E.396-E.415 Correspondence with various organisations *re* the teaching of reading and writing in schools and other educational institutions using ita, 1959-1977.
Sorted alphabetically by name of organisation.
- E.396 Association of Chief Education Officers, 1963-1971.
- E.397 Association of Colleges for Further and Higher Education, 1971-1972.
- E.398, E.399 Association of Education Committees, 1960-1971.
Two folders.
- E.400 Association of Teachers in Colleges and Departments of Education, 1963-1970.

- E.401 Catholic Education Council, 1962-1965.
- E.402 Central Primary Committee of HM Inspectors, 1968-1969.
- E.403 Confederation for the Advancement of State Education (CASE), 1968.
- E.404 London Head Teachers' Association, 1965-1966.
- E.405-E.409 National Union of Teachers (NUT), 1959-1976.
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- E.410-E.415 Schools Council, 1965-1977.
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- E.416-E.508 Correspondence with various UK teacher training and educational colleges *re* the use of ita in the teaching of reading and writing, 1954-1977.
Sorted alphabetically by name of institution.
- E.416 Aberdeen College of Education, 1974-1975.
See also E.146.
- E.417 Alnwick Training College, Northumberland, 1955.
- E.418 Alsager College of Education, Cheshire, 1970-1971.
- E.419 Avery Hill Training College, London, 1963-1974.
- E.420 Balls Park College, Hertford, 1966-1972.

- E.421 Battersea College of Education, London, 1971.
- E.422 Bedford College of Education, 1971-1973.
- E.423 Berkshire College of Education, Reading, 1970-1975.
- E.424 Bingley Training College, Yorkshire, 1963-1971.
- E.425 Bishop Grosseteste College, Lincoln, 1963-1971.
- E.426 Bishop Lonsdale College of Education, Derby, 1971.
- E.427 Bishop Otter College, Chichester, Sussex, 1955-1971.
- E.428 Bognor Regis Training College, Sussex, 1955-1976.
- E.429 Bordesley College of Education, Birmingham, 1971.
- E.430 Borough Road College, Isleworth, Middlesex, 1957-1971.
- E.431 Brentwood Training College, Essex, 1963-1972.
- E.432 Brighton Training College, UK, 1954-1972.
- E.433 Campbell College, Belfast, Northern Ireland, 1959.
- E.434 Cardiff College of Education, 1976.

- E.435 Charlotte Mason College of Education, Ambleside, Cumbria, 1970-1977.
- E.436 Cheltenham College, 1956-1965.
- E.437 Christ's College, Liverpool, 1971-1973.
- E.438 Clifton College, Bristol, 1956-1957.
- E.439 College of All Saints, London, 1975-1976.
- E.440 Coventry Training College, 1954-1972.
- E.441 Crewe College of Education, Cheshire, 1963-1974.
- E.442 Darlington Training College, 1964-1975.
- E.443 Dartford College of Education, Kent, 1975.
- E.444 Digby Stuart College of Education, London, 1967-1977.
- E.445 Doncaster Training College, 1963-1971.
- E.446 Dudley College of Education, Worcestershire, 1970-1971.
- E.447 Eastbourne Training College, Sussex, 1954-1971.
- E.448 Edge Hill College of Education, Ormskirk, Lancashire, 1970-1976.

- E.449 Endsleigh Training College, Hull, 1955-1971.
- E.450 Eton College, Windsor, Berkshire, 1956-1957, 1975.
- E.451 Ewell County Technical College, Surrey, 1974.
- E.452 Froebel Institute, London, 1958-1972.
- E.453 Furzedown College, London, 1954-1972.
- E.454 Elizabeth Gaskell College of Education, Manchester, 1971.
- E.455 Gipsy Hill Training College, Kingston Hill, Surrey, 1954-1972.
- E.456 Goldsmith's College, London, 1954-1975.
- E.457 Harrow School, Middlesex, 1956.
- E.458 Hockerill Training College, Bishop's Stotford, Hertfordshire, 1955-1971.
- E.459 Jordanhill College of Education, Glasgow, 1975-1977.
- E.460 Kesteven College of Education, Peterborough, 1963-1973.
- E.461 King Alfred's College, Winchester, 1971-1975.
- E.462 Kingston upon Hull College of Education, 1966-1971.

- E.463 Leicester Training College, 1954-1974.
- E.464 Loughborough Training College, Leicestershire, 1961-1974.
- E.465 Margaret McMillan Memorial College, Bradford, 1955-1975.
- E.466 Madeley College of Education, Staffordshire, 1971-1976.
- E.467 Mather College, Manchester, 1971.
- E.468 Matlock Training College for Women, Derbyshire, 1955-1970.
- E.469 Merchant Taylors' School, Northwood, Middlesex, 1956.
- E.470 Milton Keynes College of Education, Buckinghamshire, 1973-1973.
- E.471 C. F. Mott College of Education, Liverpool, 1964-1973.
- E.472 Neville's Cross College, Durham, 1955-1974.
- E.473 Newcastle upon Tyne Training College, 1965-1974.
- E.474 Newton Park College, Newton St Loe, Bath, 1967-1971.
- E.475 Northampton College of Education, 1975.
- E.476 North London Polytechnic, 1971-1972.

- E.477 Northumberland College of Education, Newcastle upon Tyne, 1970-1971.
- E.478 Norwich Training College, 1955-1963.
- E.479 Notre Dame College of Education, Glasgow, 1974-1975.
- E.480 Philippa Fawcett Training College, London, 1954-1972.
- E.481 Portsmouth Training College, 1955-1971.
- E.482 Putteridge Bury College of Education, Luton, Bedfordshire, 1970-1972.
- E.483 Redland College, Bristol. 1963-1975.
- E.484 Rolle College, Exmouth, Devon, 1958-1976.
- E.485 Salisbury Training College, Wiltshire, 1963-1976.
- E.486 Scawsby College of Education, Doncaster, Yorkshire, 1971-1972.
- E.487 Sedgley Park College, Manchester, 1971-1974.
- E.488 Sheffield City College of Education, 1964-1972.
- E.489 Southlands College of Education, London, 1958-1973.
- E.490 Lady Spencer-Churchill College of Education, Oxford, 1970-1973.

- E.491 St Hild's College, Durham, 1955-1971.
- E.492 St Luke's College, Exeter, 1958-1971.
- E.493 St Martin's College, Lancaster, 1970-1974.
- E.494 St Mary's College, Bangor, Wales, UK, 1972-1975.
See also E.157.
- E.495 St Mary's College, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, 1955-1974.
- E.496 St Mary's College of the Sacred Heart, Newcastle upon Tyne, 1955-1975.
- E.497 St Paul's College, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, 1955-1971.
- E.498 St Paul's School, West Kensington, London, 1956.
- E.499 St Paul's College of Education, Rugby, Warwickshire, 1969-1977.
- E.500 Stockwell College of Education, Bromley, Kent, 1970-1971.
- E.501 Stranmillis Training College, Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK, 1959-1971.
- E.502 Sunderland Technical College, 1968-1976.
- E.503 Trent Park College of Education, Barnet, Hertfordshire, 1967-1975.

- E.504 Wall Hall College, Watford, Hertfordshire, 1971-1974.
- E.505 West Midlands College of Education, Walsall, Staffordshire, 1971-1973.
- E.506 Westminster College, Oxford, 1971-1972.
- E.507 Weymouth College of Education, Poole, Dorset, 1971-1974.
- E.508 Worcester College of Education, 1971-1973.
- E.509-E.517 Correspondence with teachers and parents *re* teaching children to read and write using ita, 1955-1977.
- E.509 1955-1959.
- E.510 1960-1961.
- E.511 1962-1963.
- E.512 1964.
- E.513 1965-1967.
- E.514 1968-1969.
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- E.516 1972.

- E.517 1973-1977.
- E.518-E.521 Correspondence and papers *re* ita courses for teachers, 1964-1972.
Four folders.
- E.522-E.526 Questionnaires *re* the use of ita in junior school remedial teaching completed by primary schools throughout the UK, July 1964.
The questionnaires were designed to be completed anonymously but most have been annotated or are accompanied by covering correspondence.
Five folders.
- E.527-E.529 Correspondence and papers *re* letters sent by the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation to schools using ita, 1967-1975.
Three folders.
- E.530 15pp typescript entitled 'The ita Foundation: Results of the 1972 Survey into the Use of ita', 13 June 1972.
- E.531, E.532 Papers and correspondence *re* a national ita writing competition for six, seven and eight-year olds, 1973-1974.
- E.531 Notes, draft papers and correspondence.
- E.532 Competition entries (?sample only).
- E.533 Colour drawing and ita writing exercise by Ann Larson with colour photograph showing Sir James Pitman and children in a classroom appended, nd.
See also E.337-E.354.
- E.534 10pp ita writing with colour drawings by children, nd.

E.535-E.614	Adults and children with learning difficulties	1955-1976
	<p>Sir James Pitman was keen to explore the potential uses of ita for teaching children and adults with various learning difficulties to read and write. Material relating to his interest in this area of education and the development of ita for use in special circumstances, with deaf and blind children and in prisons and borstals, is presented here.</p>	
E.535-E.560	<p>Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the use of ita for teaching deaf children to read and write, 1962-1975.</p>	
E.535-E.544	<p>Correspondence with teachers, academics, students and charitable organisations <i>re</i> the teaching of reading and writing to deaf children in the UK, 1962-1975.</p> <p>Sorted alphabetically by name of correspondent or organisation.</p>	
E.535	A, B.	
E.536	C.	
E.537	D.	
E.538	E-G.	
E.539	H-L.	
E.540	M.	
E.541	N-O.	
E.542	P-R.	

E.543	S, T.
E.544	U-Z.
E.545-E.552	<p>Correspondence with various contacts in the USA <i>re</i> the teaching of deaf children, 1962-1972.</p> <p>Sorted alphabetically by name of correspondent or organisation.</p>
E.545, E.546	<p>A, B.</p> <p>Two folders.</p>
E.547	C.
E.548	D-K.
E.549	L.
E.550	M.
E.551	N-V.
E.552	W-Z.
E.553-E.555	<p>Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> journals published by the Royal National Institute for the Deaf (RNID), 1961-1972.</p> <p>Three folders.</p>

E.556-E.560	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the cued speech method of teaching the deaf, 1966-1975.
E.556-E.558	Correspondence and papers.
E.559	9pp typescript entitled 'Bibliography: ita and the Deaf and Cued Speech', November 1972.
E.560	3pp typescript with appendices entitled 'An Introduction to Cued Speech Through the Initial Teaching Alphabet', nd.
E.561-E.573	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the use of ita for teaching blind children to read and write, 1960-1970.
E.561-E.570	Correspondence with teachers, academics, students and charitable organisations <i>re</i> the teaching of reading and writing to blind children, 1960-1970. Sorted alphabetically by name of correspondent or organisation.
E.561	A, B.
E.562	C.
E.563, E.564	D. Two folders.
E.565	E-J.
E.566	K-O.
E.567	P, Q.

E.568	R.
E.569	S.
E.570	T-Z.
E.571-E.573	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the proposed development of a 44 letter Braille teaching alphabet called initial teaching Braille (itb), 1966-1967. Three folders.
E.574-E.580	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> teaching mentally handicapped children in UK and North American schools, 1959-1973. Sorted alphabetically by name of correspondent or organisation.
E.574, E.575	A, B. Two folders.
E.576	C-L.
E.577	M.
E.578	N-R.
E.579	S.
E.580	T-Z.

E.581-E.586	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the use of ita to teach reading and writing in prisons and borstals, 1955-1977.
E.581	1955-1963.
E.582, E.583	1964. Two folders.
E.584	1965, 1966.
E.585	1967, 1970.
E.586	1971-1977.
E.587, E.588	Correspondence with various educational institutions <i>re</i> ita, juvenile delinquency and approved school status, 1962-1972. Two folders.
E.589-E.595	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the use of ita to teach reading and writing to adults, 1956-1972.
E.589	1956-1958.
E.590	1962-1963.
E.591	1964.
E.592	1965.
E.593	1966.

E.594	1968.
E.595	1969-1972.
E.596-E.600	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the use of ita in the teaching of reading and writing to children and adults with dyslexia, 1962-1976. Five folders.
E.601-E.614	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the use of ita in the teaching of reading and writing to children and adults with learning difficulties, 1960-1972.
E.601	1960-1962.
E.602	1963.
E.603, E.604	1964. Two folders.
E.605, E.606	1965. Two folders.
E.607-E.609	1966. Three folders.
E.610, E.611	1967. Two folders.
E.612	1969.

- E.613 1970.
- E.614 1971-1972.
- E.615-E.822 INITIAL TEACHING ALPHABET FOUNDATION 1956-1983**
- The Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation was incorporated as a charitable organisation in August 1963 with the aim of promoting, maintaining, and advancing education in all its fields and, in particular, through the development, dissemination and use of the initial teaching alphabet (ita). Material relating to the establishment and business of the Foundation is presented in this sub-section.
- E.615-E.642 Legal framework and status
- E.643-E.682 Management
- E.683-E.734 Finance and premises
- E.735-E.821 Correspondence
- E.822 Photographs
- E.615-E.642 Legal framework and status 1963-1981**
- Material relating to the legal status of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation and its work is presented here. It includes the Foundation's articles of association and documentation relating to initial teaching alphabet patent applications, copyright and ownership issues.
- E.615 Correspondence and draft papers *re* the articles of association of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, March-September 1963.
- E.616 Memorandum and Articles of Association of Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Limited, 13 August 1963.

- E.617-E.619 Correspondence and papers *re* legal ownership of the initial teaching alphabet, its reproduction, assignment of copyright and the registration of an ita certification trademark, 1961-1971.
- E.617 1961-1963.
- E.618 1964-1965.
- E.619 1966-1971.
- E.620 Regulations governing the use of the ita certification trade mark, nd, ca 1963.
- E.621 Regulations governing the use of the ita certification trade mark inscribed on the front cover 'as amended and re-filed, 9 May 1969'.
- E.622, E.623 Correspondence and papers *re* the role of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, the range of its activities and its responsibilities with regard to research into ita undertaken by the University of London Institute of Education, 1963-1966.
- See also E.83-E.109.
- Two folders.
- E.624 Draft copyright agreements with covering note *re* the reproduction of ita in print, 1966.
- E.625 Correspondence and papers *re* copyright issues with regard to collaborative research into the initial teaching alphabet and consequent publications, 1967-1972.
- E.626 Correspondence and papers *re* the formal registration of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation as a charity, 1974-1976.

- E.627-E.636 'English teaching alphabet' patent specifications.
See also E.637-E.640, E.810.
- E.627 Great Britain, 14 April 1965.
- E.628 United States of America, 11 April 1966.
- E.629 France, 13 April 1966.
- E.630 Germany, 13 April 1966.
- E.631 India, 13 April 1966.
- E.632 Italy, 13 April 1966.
- E.633 South Africa, 13 April 1966.
- E.634 Rhodesia, 14 April 1966.
- E.635 Spain, 14 April 1966.
- E.636 Pakistan, 19 April 1966.
- E.637 Correspondence and papers *re* UK ita patents, 1967-1972.
- E.638-E.640 Correspondence and papers *re* overseas ita patents, 1967-1972.
Sorted alphabetically by name of country.

- E.638 F-G.
- E.639 I-T.
- E.640 USA.
- E.641 Correspondence and papers *re* the Companies Registration Office, 1973-1977.
- E.642 'Liquidation'. Contents of folder so inscribed.

Correspondence and papers *re* events leading up to the winding up of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, 1979-1981.
- E.643-E.682 Management 1971-1982**
- Material relating to the governance and management of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation is presented here. It includes agendas, minutes and papers of Council meetings and Annual General Meetings.
- E.643 Bound volume containing minutes (signed) of Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Council meetings, 26 October 1971-8 December 1978.

See also E.644.
- E.644 Bound volume containing minutes (signed) of Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Council meetings, 20 April 1979-16 June 1981.

See also E.643.
- E.645 Agendas of Council meetings, 26 October 1971-28 October 1977.

E.646-E.661 Agendas, papers and correspondence *re* Council meetings, 1973-1977.
The sequence is incomplete.

E.646 23 March 1973.

E.647 10 October 1973.

E.648 20 December 1973.

E.649 7 March 1974.

E.650 13 June 1974.

E.651 13 September 1974.

E.652 12 December 1974.

E.653 13 March 1975.

E.654 2 October 1975.

E.655 25 March 1976.

E.656 5 November 1976.

E.657 31 March 1977.

E.658 5 August 1977.

E.659 28 October 1977.

E.660 26 June 1977.

E.661 5 August 1977.

E.662-E.667 Correspondence and papers *re* Council membership and business, 1963-1982.
Includes minutes of the first, second and third meetings of Council.

E.662 1963-1965.

E.663 1966-1967.

E.664 1968-1970.

E.665 1971-1973.

E.666 1974-1980.

E.667 1981-1982.

E.668-E.678 Agendas, papers and correspondence *re* Annual General Meetings of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, 1967-1978.
The sequence is incomplete.

E.668 29 March 1965.

E.669 9 June 1966.

E.670	20 October 1967.
E.671	31 December 1968.
E.672	7 April 1970.
E.673	23 December 1971.
E.674	21 December 1972.
E.675	20 December 1973.
E.676	12 December 1974.
E.677	2 October 1975.
E.678	25 March 1976.
E.679	31 March 1977.
E.680	26 June 1978.
E.681	Bound volume containing names and addresses of members and officers of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, 1963-1976.
E.682	Correspondence <i>re</i> employment by the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation and the commissioning of research and editorial work, 1962-1968.

E.683-E.734	Finance and premises	1956-1982
		Material relating to Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation finances and funding is presented here. It includes copies of the Foundation's annual accounts and correspondence concerning the raising of funds. Material relating to the offices of the Foundation is also presented here.
E.683-E.698		Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation annual accounts, 1964-1979. The sequence is incomplete.
E.683		31 December 1964.
E.684		31 December 1965.
E.685		31 December 1966.
E.686		31 December 1967.
E.687		31 December 1968.
E.688		31 December 1969.
E.689		31 December 1970.
E.690		30 June 1972.
E.691		30 June 1973.
E.692		31 December 1974.

E.693	31 December 1975.
E.694	31 December 1976.
E.695	31 December 1977.
E.696	31 December 1978.
E.697	31 December 1979.
E.698-E.700	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation's accountants, 1970-1977. Three folders.
E.701-E.729	Correspondence and papers <i>re</i> financial support for the advancement of the initial teaching alphabet and Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation financial matters, funding, donations and investments, 1956-1983.
E.701	1956-1959.
E.702-E.705	1960. Four folders.
E.706, E.707	1961. Two folders.
E.708, E.709	1962. Two folders.

E.710-E.712	1963. Three folders.
E.713-E.715	1964. Three folders.
E.716	1965.
E.717	1966-1967.
E.718	1968.
E.719	1969.
E.720	1970-1971.
E.721	1972-1973.
E.722	1974.
E.723-E.725	1975. Three folders.
E.726	1976.
E.727	1977.

- E.728 1978-1979.
- E.729 1980-1983.
- E.730, E.731 Correspondence and papers *re* insurance of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation office premises in Reigate, Surrey, UK, 1972-1977.
Two folders.
- E.732 Correspondence with the Surrey Fire Brigade *re* the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation office premises in Reigate, Surrey, UK, 1973-1977.
- E.733 Correspondence and papers *re* the lease of office premises in Reigate, Surrey, UK, 1972, 1977-1980.
- E.734 Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation visitors book, 2 January 1967-25 November 1977.

- E.735-E.821 Correspondence 1959-1983**
- General correspondence and papers relating to the running of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation and its business is presented here in two separate sequences, sorted chronologically (E.735-E.796) and alphabetically (E.797-E.821).
- The correspondence relates to a wide range of issues. It includes correspondence concerning the promotion and development of the initial teaching alphabet (ita), the design and production of ita textbooks and instruction manuals, and the campaign to introduce ita as the standard medium for the teaching of reading and writing to both children and adults. It also includes enquiries from individual schools and teachers, both in the UK and overseas, about the use of ita in classrooms and the acquisition of ita teaching materials.
- Correspondence relating to the day-to-day management of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation is also presented here.
- E.735-E.796 Chronological sequence, 1963-1983.
See also E.797-E.821.
- E.735 1963-1964.
- E.736 1965.
- E.737 1966.
- E.738 1967.
- E.739 1968-1969.
- E.740 1970-1972.

E.741, E.742 1973.
Two folders.

E.743 1974.

E.744 1975.

E.745-E.748 1976.
Four folders.

E.749 January 1977.

E.750 February 1977.

E.751, E.752 March 1977.
Two folders.

E.753 April 1977.

E.754 May 1977.

E.755 June 1977.

E.756 July 1977.

E.757 August 1977.

E.758 September 1977.

E.759 October 1977.

E.760 November 1977.

E.761 December 1977.

E.762, E.763 January 1978.
Two folders.

E.764 February 1978.

E.765 March 1978.

E.766, E.767 April 1978.
Two folders.

E.768, E.769 May 1978.
Two folders.

E.770 June 1978.

E.771 July 1978.

E.772 August 1978.

E.773, E.774 September 1978.
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E.775 October 1978.

E.776 November 1978.

E.777 December 1978.

E.778 January 1979.

E.779 February 1979.

E.780 March 1979.

E.781 April 1979.

E.782, E.783 May 1979.
Two folders.

E.784 June 1979.

E.785 July 1979.

E.786 August 1979.

E.787 September-December 1979.

E.788 January 1980.

E.789 February-March 1980.

E.790 April-May 1980.

E.791 June-July 1980.

E.792 August-September 1980.

E.793 October-December 1980.

E.794, E.795 1981.
Two folders.

E.796 1982-1983.

E.797-E.821 Alphabetical sequence, 1959-1981.

This sequence reflects the organisation of 'subject files' as they were maintained in the offices of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation. Each 'subject file' contains correspondence and papers relating to a particular topic or aspect of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation's work.

See also E.735-E.796.

E.797 Adult literacy, 1971-1975.

E.798 British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), 1976-1977.

E.799 Church of England Children's Society, 1977-1978.

E.800, E.801 Deaf charities and organisations, 1973-1977.
Two folders.

- E.802 The English Speaking Union, 1973-1977.
- E.803-E.805 Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, USA, 1973-1981.
See also E.1025-E.1107.
Three folders.
- E.806, E.807 International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign language (IATEFL), 1976-1977.
Two folders.
- E.808 Lectures and talks, 1973-1974.
Correspondence and papers *re* arrangements concerning lectures and talks given to various audiences by Sir James Pitman and other members of Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation staff.
- E.809 Linguistic competence, 1972-1974.
- E.810 Patents, 1976.
See also E.627-E.640.
- E.811 San Antonio Literacy Council, Texas, USA, 1976-1977.
- E.812 *Spelling Progress Bulletin*, USA, 1974-1977.
- E.813-E.816 Teaching materials, 1974-1976.
Four folders.
- E.817, E.818 *The Times*, 1959-1977.
Two folders.

- E.819, E.820 Typewriters, 1968-1977.
See also E.6-E.9.
Two folders.
- E.821 University of Bath, 1974-1979.
- E.822 Photographs nd**
Miscellaneous black and white photographs showing various ?Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation staff and members, nd.
- E.823-E.903 CONFERENCES, VISITS AND MEETINGS 1960-1982**
This sub-section contains material relating to conferences, visits and meetings. Sir James Pitman travelled extensively visiting schools and training colleges, publicising and encouraging the use of his initial teaching alphabet (ita) around the world. He undertook regular promotional tours of Canada, the USA, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa to raise awareness of ita and to consult educationalists on its implementation. In addition, he, and his Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation colleagues, attended a wide range of education and teaching conferences. He was also involved in organising a series of international initial teaching alphabet conferences.
See also E.904-E.1112.
The presentation is chronological.
- E.823 Press conference *re* research into the early stages of learning to read, University of London Institute of Education, London, 13 June 1960.
Papers and correspondence.
- E.824 Press conference *re* the teaching of reading and writing using the Augmented Roman Alphabet, 17 July 1961.
Papers, correspondence, and black and white publicity photographs.

- E.825-E.827 Visit to USA, October-November 1962.
Correspondence and papers *re* travel arrangements and itinerary.
Three folders.
- E.828 International Reading Association 8th Annual Reading Convention, Miami Beach, Florida, USA, 1-4 May 1963.
Sir James Pitman delivered a speech at a session entitled 'Experiments with the Augmented Roman Alphabet in England', 2 May 1963.
Correspondence and programme.
- E.829 Visit to Australia and New Zealand, September-October 1963.
Correspondence and papers *re* a proposed visit by Sir James Pitman.
See also E.837.
- E.830 28th Educational Conference: Keeping Abreast of the Revolution in Education, New York, USA, 31 October-1 November 1963.
Sir James Pitman delivered a speech entitled 'Some Thoughts on the Results of the Second Year of Experimentation with the Augmented Alphabet in British Schools', 1 November 1963.
Correspondence and programme.
- E.831-E.834 Press conference *re* the UK Minister for Education's future policy on the national initial teaching alphabet experiment, 19 March 1964.
Papers and correspondence.
See also E.359-E.369.
Four folders.
- E.835 Press conference *re* the experimental use of ita in schools in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, USA, 15 July 1964.
Papers and notes.

- E.836 1st International ita Conference and Residential Course, Oxford, UK, 19-24 July 1964.
Programme, list of delegates and black and white group photograph of delegates.
- E.837 Visit to Australia and New Zealand, February-May 1965.
See also E.829.
Correspondence, papers, and itinerary.
- E.838, E.839 'L'Apprentissage de la Lecture', Annual Meeting of the Groupment Français D'Études de Neuro-Psychopathologie Infantile, Tours, France, 29-30 May 1965.
Sir James Pitman gave a presentation (in French) on the initial teaching alphabet.
Correspondence and papers.
Two folders.
- E.840-E.842 2nd International ita Workshop and Conference, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, USA, 16-20 August 1965.
See also E.1244-E.1248.
Programme, list of participants, correspondence and papers.
Three folders.
- E.843 Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies Conference on Educational Development, Aspen, Colorado, USA, 26-30 September 1965.
Correspondence, programme and list of participants.
- E.844 Visit to South Africa, October-November 1965.
Correspondence *re* a proposed visit by Sir James Pitman.

- E.845 Press conference prior to a visit to Washington by Sir James Pitman *re* the use of the initial teaching alphabet in the USA, 15 April 1966.

See also E.846, E.847.

Correspondence and newspaper cuttings.
- E.846, E.847 Visit to Washington, USA, 16-23 April 1966.

See also E.845.

Correspondence and papers.

Two folders.
- E.848 3rd International ita Workshop and Conference, Cambridge, UK, 25-30 July 1966.

Correspondence, programme, lists of delegates.
- E.849, E.850 Visit to South Africa, October 1966.

Correspondence and papers.

Two folders.
- E.851 Press conference *re* the publication of *The ita Symposium*, 31 January 1967.

Papers and correspondence.
- E.852-E.854 International Conference on Oral Education of the Deaf, Northampton, Massachusetts, USA, 17-21 June 1967 and New York, USA, 22-24 June 1967.

Programme correspondence and papers.

Three folders.

- E.855 4th International ita Conference, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, 9-12 August 1967.

See also E.1317.

Programme, correspondence, and papers.
- E.856, E.857 10th Congress of the Association Typographie Internationale, Paris, France, 6-10 November 1967.

Sir James Pitman gave a talk entitled 'An Introduction to the Initial Teaching Alphabet', 10 November 1967.
- E.856 Draft programme, list of participants and papers.
- E.857 12pp untitled typescript speech in French with amendments.
- E.858 Visit to Canada, February 1968.

Itinerary and notes.
- E.859 Visit to the USA, March 1968.

Itinerary, correspondence, and notes.
- E.860-E.862 5th International ita Conference, Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, USA, 17-20 July 1968 and Edinburgh University, Scotland, UK, 11-15 August 1968.

See also E.1356, E.1357.

Programme, list of participants, correspondence, and draft papers.

Three folders.
- E.863-E.865 Visit to the USA, February-March 1969.

Itinerary, correspondence, and notes.

Three folders.

- E.866, E.867 6th International ita Conference, University of York, UK, 31 August-4 September 1969.
See also E.1381, E.1387.
Programme, list of participants and papers.
Two folders.
- E.868-E.870 Visit to the USA, November 1969.
Sir James Pitman appeared before the General Sub-Committee on Education, United States House of Representatives, Washington DC, USA.
- E.868, E.869 Correspondence.
Two folders.
- E.870 Sir James Pitman's bound statement of evidence entitled 'On Target for the '70's: Reading with the Initial Teaching Alphabet'.
- E.871 Visit to the USA, February 1970.
Itinerary and papers.
- E.872 International Congress on Education of the Deaf, Stockholm, Sweden, 17-20 August 1970.
Programme and correspondence.
- E.873 7th International ita Conference, Institute of Education, University of London, 23-26 August 1970.
See also E.1398, E.1399.
Programme, list of participants and correspondence.
- E.874 Visit to the USA, March 1970.
Notes and papers.

- E.875 Promotional lunch and meeting during a visit of J. R. Block, Executive Director of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Inc, USA, to London, re a large bequest to the Foundation for the purpose of promoting ita, 7 September 1971.
Correspondence and papers.
- E.876 Visit to the USA and Canada, April-May 1972.
Itinerary and notes.
- E.877-E.879 8th International ita Conference, University of Birmingham, UK, 22-24 September 1972.
- E.877 Correspondence and papers.
- E.878 Programme and list of participants.
- E.879 Miscellaneous black and white photographs of attendees.
- E.880 Promotional lunch hosted by D. Pidgeon, Executive Director of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, London, 1 November 1972.
Correspondence and papers.
- E.881, E.882 United Kingdom Reading Association (UKRA) 10th Annual Study Conference, Sheffield, UK, 30 July-3 August 1973.
Programme, list of delegates, correspondence and papers.
Two folders.
- E.883 Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation North of England One Day Reading Conference, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK, 8 September 1973.
Correspondence, programme. and papers.

- E.884 Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Conference: Progress and Development of ita, University of Leicester, Leicester, UK, 28-29 September 1973.
Correspondence, programme, and papers.
- E.885 Initial Teaching Alphabet Reception, National Union of Teachers (NUT) Conference, Eastbourne, UK, 15 April 1974.
Correspondence.
- E.886 Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Scotland One Day Reading Conference, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK, 27 April 1974.
Correspondence, programme, and papers.
- E.887 United Kingdom Reading Association (UKRA) 11th Annual Study Conference, Ormskirk, Lancashire, UK, 29 July-2 August 1973.
Programme, list of delegates, correspondence, and papers.
Two folders.
- E.888-E.891 Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Reading Conference, University of Bath, UK, 13-15 September 1974.
Programme, list of participants, correspondence, and papers.
Four folders.
- E.892 Visit to the USA, October 1974.
Four black and white photographs showing Sir James Pitman and colleagues, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, USA.
- E.893, E.894 Meeting on the progress and development of ita, Birmingham, UK, 9-10 January 1976.
Correspondence and list of delegates.
Two folders.

- E.895 National Union of Teachers (Gwent Division) Education Convention, Caerleon, Wales, UK, 6-7 July 1976.
Correspondence and programme.
- E.896 Conference on the progress and development of ita, Stafford, UK, 5-6 November 1976.
Programme, list of delegates and correspondence.
- E.897 International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language (IATEFL) Meeting, Oxford, UK, 7 January 1977.
See also E.1457.
14pp typescript speech with appendices entitled 'Language for World Communication - One or Two?' delivered by Sir James Pitman.
- E.898 Conference on the progress and development of ita, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK, 5 February 1977.
Programme, list of delegates and correspondence.
- E.899 Conference on the progress and development of ita, Falkirk, Scotland, UK, 25-26 March 1977.
Programme, list of delegates and correspondence.
- E.900 One-Day Reading ita Conference, London, 11 June 1977.
Programme, list of delegates and correspondence.
- E.901 Change and Development: ita Federation Annual Conference, Ormskirk, Lancashire, UK, 7-9 September 1979.
Publicity poster.

E.902 ita Comes of Age: ita Federation Annual Conference, York, UK, 27-29 August 1982.

Programme and papers.

E.903 Miscellaneous black and white photographs showing ?delegates viewing ita conference exhibits and displays, nd.

E.904-E.1108 ITA OVERSEAS 1959-1979

This sub-section contains material relating to the use of the initial teaching alphabet (ita) in countries outside the UK. Sir James Pitman's work in developing a mode of writing based on phonetic characters had immediate international appeal and aroused interest all over the world. The possible uses of ita as a medium for teaching reading and English as a foreign language were investigated theoretically and practically in many foreign countries. The initial teaching alphabet was marketed on a relatively large scale in the USA, Canada and Australia where it was adopted in many schools.

This sub-section includes general enquiries, requests for ita publications and teaching materials, correspondence relating to Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation business overseas, reports on the use of ita in foreign classrooms and individual contributions to the general debate on the educational benefits of ita. Correspondents represented here range from interested parents, teachers and journalists to public librarians, university directors of research and government education ministers.

See also E.29-E.59.

The presentation is alphabetical by name of country.

E.904-E.925 Australia, 1960-1977.

E.904 1960.

E.905 1961.

E.906, E.907 1962.

Two folders.

E.908, E.909 1963.

Two folders.

E.910, E.911 1964.

Two folders.

E.912 1965.

E.913 1966.

E.914, E.915 1967.

Two folders.

E.916 1968.

E.917 1969.

E.918 1970.

E.919 1971.

E.920 1972.

E.921 1973.

E.922 1974.

E.923 1975.

E.924 1976.

E.925 1977.

E.926 Austria, 1970.

E.927 Belgium, 1973-1975.

E.928 Botswana, 1972.

E.929 Burma, 1960, 1966.

E.930 Cameroon, 1967-1971.

E.931-E.942 Canada, 1960-1977.

E.931 1960-1962.

E.932 1963.

E.933 1964.

E.934 1965-1966.

E.935 1967.

E.936 1968-1969.

E.937 1970.

E.938 1971.

E.939 1972.

E.940 1973-1974.

E.941 1975.

E.942 1976-1977.

E.943 China, 1963, 1965.

E.944 Cuba, 1966-1968.

E.945 Cyprus, 1969.

E.946 Denmark, 1971.

E.947 Egypt, 1966.

E.948 Ethiopia, 1970-1971.

E.949 France, 1969-1976.
See also E.60-E.82.

E.950-E.952 Gambia, 1967-1973.
Three folders.

E.953, E.954 Germany, 1962-1975.
Two folders.

E.955 Ghana, 1965-1972.

E.956 Greece, 1972.

E.957 Guyana, 1975.

E.958 Holland, 1964-1975.

E.959-E.961 Hong Kong, 1965-1975.
Three folders.

E.962 India, 1971-1973.

E.963 Indonesia, 1973-1975.

E.964, E.965 Iran, 1967-1973.
Two folders.

E.966, E.967 Ireland, 1959-1972.
Two folders.

E.968 Israel, 1969-1971.

E.969 Italy, 1969-1975.

E.970 Japan, 1965-1975.

E.971 Kenya, 1964-1971.

E.972 Liberia, 1964-1965.

E.973 Mali, 1963.

E.974 Malta, 1973-1976.

E.975 Mauritius, 1974-1975.

E.976 Morocco, 1962.

E.977-E.980 New Zealand, 1960-1977.
See also E.904-E.925.
Four folders.

E.981-E.988 Nigeria, 1962-1975.
Eight folders.

E.989 Norway, 1967.

E.990 Pakistan, 1964-1974.

E.991, E.992 Papa New Guinea, 1969-1974.
Two folders.

E.993 Philippines, 1975.

E.994 Poland, 1971-1972.

E.995 Rhodesia, 1964-1973.

E.996 Saudi Arabia, 1972.

E.997, E.998 Sierra Leone, 1969-1971.
Two folders.

E.999, E.1000 Singapore, 1964-1978.
Two folders.

E.1001-E.1018 South Africa, 1960-1977.

E.1001 1960-1962.

E.1002 1963.

E.1003 1964.

E.1004 1965.

E.1005, E.1006 1966.
Two folders.

E.1007 1967.

E.1008 1968.

E.1009 1969.

E.1010 1970.

E.1011 1971.

E.1012 1972.

E.1013 1973.

E.1014 1974.

E.1015 1975.

E.1016 1976.

E.1017, E.1018 *ita: Final Report on the Longitudinal Project conducted by the Transvaal Education Department 1966-1973, December 1977.*
Two folders.

E.1019	Spain, 1975.
E.1020	Sri Lanka, 1963-1975.
E.1021	Swaziland, 1967-1972.
E.1022	Switzerland, 1972, 1976.
E.1023	Tanzania, 1967.
E.1024	Uganda, 1964-1972.
E.1025-E.1103	USA, 1959-1979. The initial teaching alphabet was introduced into the USA in 1963 as part of a research project undertaken by Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. In 1965, two years after the establishment of the UK Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, an independent but affiliated US Foundation was set up on the campus of Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York. Dr Ben D. Wood, of Columbia University, acted as the President of the Board of Directors, with Sir James Pitman as Vice-President and Dr J. R. Block as Executive Director. In 1969 the Foundation received much-needed funds in the form of a sizeable bequest which allowed it to continue its work of promoting and advancing education, with particular reference to the initial teaching alphabet, throughout the USA. Relations between the UK Foundation and its North American counterpart were sometimes strained. The material presented here includes documentation relating to disputes concerning the publication of research results and the management and allocation of Foundation finances. See also E.803-E.805. The presentation is chronological.
E.1025	1959.
E.1026	1960.

E.1027	1961.
E.1028-E.1031	1962. Four folders.
E.1032-E.1036	1963. Five folders.
E.1037-E.1041	1964. Five folders.
E.1042-E.1046	1965. Five folders.
E.1047-E.1053	1966. Seven folders.
E.1054-E.1058	1967. Five folders.
E.1059-E.1062	1968. Four folders.
E.1063-E.1067	1969. Five folders.
E.1068-E.1071	1970. Four folders.

E.1072-E.1076 1971.
Five folders.

E.1077-E.1080 1972.
Four folders.

E.1081-E.1085 1973.
Five folders.

E.1086-E.1090 1974.
Five folders.

E.1091-E.1093 1975.
Three folders.

E.1094-E.1098 1976.
Five folders.

E.1099-E.1101 1977.
Three folders.

E.1102 1978.

E.1103 1979.

E.1104, E.1105 USSR, 1961-1974.
Two folders.

E.1106 Vietnam, 1974.

E.1107 West Indies, 1970-1974.

E.1108 Zambia, 1968-1971.

E.1109-E.1570 PUBLICATIONS, PAPERS AND REPORTS ca 1937-1981

This sub-section contains publications, papers and reports relating to the initial teaching alphabet. It includes copies of official Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation publications, off-prints of papers relating to the use and development of ita and more general correspondence about the design, production and circulation of publicity material.

E.1109-E.1166 Journals and newsletters

E.1167-E.1512 Papers, off prints and reports

E.1513-E.1570 Correspondence

E.1109-E.1166 Journals and newsletters 1963-1978

E.1109-E.1123 *The ita Journal*, 1963-1971.

Published periodically by the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, *The ita Journal* contained articles on practical issues relating to teaching with ita both in the UK and abroad, reports from conferences, book lists and research updates. It also provided a forum for discussion amongst practitioners. During the late 1960s circulation reached over 20,000.

The sequence is incomplete.

E.1109 Number 4, April 1963.

E.1110 Number 5, December 1963.

E.1111 Number 6, October 1964.

E.1112 Number 7, May 1965.

E.1113 Number 8, November 1965.

E.1114 Number 9, May 1966.

E.1115 Number 10, November 1966.

E.1116 Number 11, July 1967.

E.1117 Number 12, January 1968.

E.1118 Number 13, June 1968.

E.1119 Number 14, December 1968.

E.1120 June 1969.

E.1121 Number 17, February 1970.

E.1122 Number 18, June 1970.

E.1123 Number 20, February 1971.

E.1124-E.1137 *The ita Newsletter*, 1972-1977.

Originally published approximately three times a year, *The ita Newsletter* superseded *The ita Journal*.

E.1124 Volume 1, Number 1, June 1972.

E.1125 Volume 1, Number 2, September 1972.

E.1126 Volume 1, Number 3, January 1973.

E.1127 Volume 1, Number 4, May 1973.

E.1128 Volume 1, Number 5, September 1973.

E.1129 Volume 1, Number 6, January 1974.

E.1130 Volume 1, Number 7, May 1974.

E.1131 Volume 1, Number 8, September 1974.

E.1132 Number 9, March 1975.

E.1133 Number 10, January 1976.

E.1134 Number 11, June 1976.

E.1135 Number 12, January 1977.

- E.1136 Number 13, Summer 1977.
- E.1137 Number 14, Winter 1977.
- E.1138-E.1140 *ita Reading Supplement*, nd.
- E.1138 Number 1, nd.
- E.1139 Number 2, nd, latest bibliographical reference 1972.
- E.1140 Number 3, nd, latest bibliographical reference 1972.
- E.1141-E.1156 *ita Bulletin*, 1963-1970.
The *ita Bulletin* was published approximately three times a year by Pitman Publications Inc, New York, and featured articles and news items relating to the introduction and development of ita in the USA.
The sequence is incomplete.
- E.1141 Volume 1, Number 1, Spring 1963.
- E.1142 Volume 1, Number 3, Winter 1964 [*sic*].
- E.1143 Volume 1, Number 4, Spring 1964.
- E.1144 Volume 2, Number 2, Winter 1964-1965.
- E.1145 Volume 2, Number 3, Spring 1965.
- E.1146 Volume 2, Number 4, Summer 1965.

- E.1147 Volume 3, Number 1, Fall 1965.
- E.1148 Volume 3, Number 2, Winter 1966.
- E.1149 Volume 4, Number 1, Fall 1966.
- E.1150 Volume 4, Number 2, Winter 1967.
- E.1151 Volume 5, Number 1, Fall 1967.
- E.1152 Volume 6, Number 1, October 1968.
- E.1153 Volume 6, Number 2, January 1969.
- E.1154 Volume 7, Number 1, October 1969.
- E.1155 Volume 7, Number 2, November-December 1969.
- E.1156 Volume 7, Number 3, February/March 1970.
- E.1157, E.1158 *The ita Foundation Report*, 1966-1967.
The ita Foundation Report was published by the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, USA.
- E.1157 Volume 1, Numbers 2 and 3 (Combined Issue), Summer-Fall 1966.
- E.1158 Volume 2, Number 4, Winter 1967.

- E.1159-E.1166 *The ita Foundation Newsletter*, 1971-1978.
- The ita Foundation Newsletter* was published periodically by the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation, USA.
- The sequence is incomplete.
- E.1159 Volume 1, Number 1, Fall 1971.
- E.1160 Volume 2, Number 1, Fall 1972.
- E.1161 Spring 1973.
- E.1162 Fall, 1974.
- E.1163 Spring 1975.
- E.1164 Fall 1975.
- E.1165 Spring 1976.
- E.1166 Spring 1978.

- E.1167-E.1512 Papers, off prints and reports ca 1937-1981**
- Papers, off prints, reports and other publications relating to the teaching of reading and writing and ita are presented here. They include material authored by Sir James Pitman and other members of the Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation staff.
- A small amount of ita teaching material designed for use in classrooms and other learning environments is also presented here. A more extensive collection of teaching materials and ita story and text books is available for consultation through the University of Bath Library and Learning Centre catalogue.
- See also E.236-E.242.
- The presentation is chronological.
- E.1167 *Phonetic Orthography*, I. J. Pitman and C. E. Smith, nd, ca 1937.
- E.1168 Pitman's *Phonetic Orthography*, I. J. Pitman and C. E. Smith, nd, ca 1937.
- E.1169 'Learning to Read', I. J. Pitman, *The Times Higher Educational Supplement*, 29 May 1959.
- E.1170 'Reading Made Easy', *Teachers World*, 4 September 1959.
- E.1171 *The Ehrhardt Augmented (40 sound-42 character) Lower-case Roman Alphabet*, I. J. Pitman, 1959.
- E.1172 5pp typescript transcript of radio broadcast entitled 'New Alphabet for Children', 18 June 1960.
- E.1173 *Some reasons why we are initiating an investigation into the early stages of learning to read, when the matter to be read is printed in a special form alleged to be easy to learn and leading easily to a full reading skill, and why we seek your support - moral, financial, or both - for ourselves and for the volunteer teachers, parents and their children, and Local Education Authorities who will be co-operating in this projected research*, H. L. Elvin, W. R. Niblett, W. D. Wall, P. E. Vernon, J. M. Morris, C. Burt, I. J. Pitman, June 1960.

- E.1174 'A New Experiment in Reading', I. J. Pitman, *The Schoolmaster*, July 1960.
- E.1175 'Learning to Read', I. J. Pitman, *Journal of the Royal Society of Arts*, February 1961.
See also E.1178, E.1251.
- E.1176 1p typescript transcript of radio news broadcast, 17 July 1961.
- E.1177 6pp typescript (annotated) entitled 'How Your Children are Being Taught to Read by the Augmented Roman Alphabet Method', J. Downing, July 1961.
See also E.1179.
- E.1178 'Learning to Read', I. J. Pitman, Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Publication No. 1, ca 1961.
See also E.1175, E.1251.
- E.1179 'How Your Children are Being Taught to Read with the Initial teaching Alphabet', J. Downing, ca 1961.
See also E.1177.
- E.1180 'English Needs a Phonetic Alphabet', G. J. Hecht, *Parents' Magazine* (USA), February 1962.
- E.1181 4pp typescript entitled 'Interim Report: First Results from the Augmented Roman Alphabet Research - A Remedial Teaching Experiment', J. Downing, ca March 1962.
- E.1182 10pp draft typescript entitled 'A World Intermedia', I. J. Pitman, 30 April 1962.
See also E.58, E.59.

- E.1183 1p typescript transcript of radio news broadcast, 12 June 1962.
- E.1184 4pp typescript transcript of radio broadcast entitled 'Success of the New 43-Letter Alphabet Explained by Sir James Pitman MP', 13 June 1962.
- E.1185 2pp typescript transcript of radio broadcast entitled 'New 43-Letter Alphabet Introduced: Initial Results are Encouraging', 13 June 1962.
- E.1186 6pp typescript (annotated) entitled 'English as a World Language: Speech by Sir David Eccles, Minister of Education, at the Annual Joint Luncheon of the Commonwealth Club of Rome with the American Club of Rome', 13 June 1962.
- E.1187 6pp typescript transcript of radio broadcast entitled 'The New Alphabet Used at Oldham School', 19 June 1962.
- E.1188 5pp typescript entitled 'Your 43 Soldiers of Chalk', July 1962.
- E.1189 7pp typescript entitled 'Subjective and Personal Impressions', Sir James Pitman, July 1962.
- E.1190 22pp typescript 'Headteachers' Reports on the First year of the Augmented Roman Alphabet Experiment in their Infants' Classes', J. Downing, August 1962.
- E.1191 4pp typescript transcript of radio broadcast entitled 'New System of Teaching Young to Read', 29 September 1962.
- E.1192 'Teaching to Read with the Augmented Roman Alphabet', M. Harrison, *The Birmingham Teachers' Journal*, pp15-17, Autumn 1962.
- E.1193 *First Phonetic Reader*, November 1962.

- E.1194 *New Experimental Evidence on the Role of the Unsystematic Spelling of English in Reading Failure*, J. Downing and K. Gardner, November 1962.
- E.1195 'Augmenting the Roman Alphabet', *The Monotype Recorder*, **42(3)**, Winter 1962-1963.
- E.1196 'Learning to Read with the Augmented Roman Alphabet', I. J. Pitman, *The Penrose Annual*, **56** pp54-58, 1962.
- E.1197 *Experiments with an Augmented Alphabet for Beginning Readers in British Schools*, J. Downing, ca 1962.
See also E.1207.
- E.1198 *Breakthrough in Teaching?*, ca 1962.
- E.1199 3pp typescript entitled 'Report on the Augmented Roman Alphabet (AR) Remedial Reading Experiment at Walsall', J. A. Downing, ca 1962.
- E.1200 1p typescript entitled 'AR Renamed Pitmans ITA', April 1963.
- E.1201 2pp typescript entitled 'Some Impressions of What has Been Found by Head Teachers and Class Teachers in the Course of Teaching Young Children to Read Using Pitmans Initial Teaching Alphabet (ITA) During Periods from September 1961, and from the Dates of Later Admissions to Date', Sir James Pitman, April 1963.
- E.1202 3pp typescript entitled 'The Prevention of Communication Disorder by the Use of a Simplified Alphabet', J. Downing, September 1963.
- E.1203 15pp typescript entitled 'Pitman's Initial Teaching (Augmented Roman) Alphabet', J. Downing, paper delivered at the Conference on Perceptual and Linguistic Aspects of Reading, Stanford, California, USA, 31 October 1963.

- E.1204 'Girls and Boys Learn to Read a New Way', *Scholastic Teacher*, **7(9)**, 8 November 1963.
- E.1205 5pp typescript with illustrative figures entitled 'Teaching Reading with the Initial Teaching Alphabet (Augmented Roman) in Britain', J. Downing, paper delivered at the 53rd Convention of the National Council of Teachers of English, San Francisco, California, USA, 28-30 November 1963.
- E.1206 'Augmented Roman Alphabet Experiment: An Outsider's Report', V. Southgate, *Educational Review*, **16(1)** pp32-41, November 1963.
- E.1207 *Experiments with Pitman's Initial Teaching Alphabet in British Schools*, J. A. Downing, Initial Teaching Alphabet Inc, USA, 1963.
See also E.1197.
- E.1208 'Convention and Conformity', I. J. Pitman, *Reading as an Intellectual Activity: International Reading Association Conference Proceedings*, **8**, 1963.
- E.1209 *Early to Read ita Program: Teacher's Manual and Key - Book 1*, A. J. Mazurkiewicz and H. J. Tanyzer, ita Publications Inc, USA, 1963.
See also E.1210, E.1211, E.1236, E.1237, E.1266-E.1268, E.1297-E.1299.
- E.1210 *Early to Read ita Program: Teacher's Manual and Key - Workbook and Books 2 and 3*, A. J. Mazurkiewicz and H. J. Tanyzer, ita Publications Inc, USA, 1963.
See also E.1209, E.1211, E.1236, E.1237, E.1266-E.1268, E.1297-E.1299.
- E.1211 *Early to Read ita Program: Teacher's Manual and Key - Book 4 and Workbook*, A. J. Mazurkiewicz and H. J. Tanyzer, ita Publications Inc, USA, 1963.
See also E.1209, E.1210, E.1236, E.1237, E.1266-E.1268, E.1297-E.1299.
- E.1212 *The Future of the Teaching of Reading*, Sir James Pitman, Initial Teaching Alphabet Foundation Publication No. 3, ca 1963.

- E.1213 *Breakthrough in Teaching*, nd, latest bibliographical reference 1963.
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- E.1501 35 numbered cards with short compositions by children using ita in the USA, nd.
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- E.1505 Box containing 44 individual ita rubber letter stamps, nd.
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- E.1507 Box containing ita vocabulary and picture cards entitled 'At the Seaside' designed by P. Ladyman, nd.

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- E.1509 Box containing ita vocabulary and picture cards entitled 'Fruit Shop' designed by F. W. Wentworth-Sheilds, nd.
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