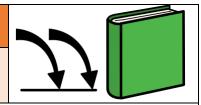


A quick guide to ... repeated oral reading

Beginning with adult modelling, a student gains fluency with a passage of text through repeated oral readings.



Choose a passage

- That a student can read with few errors
- Is between 50-200 words or readable in 1-2 minutes.

Adult models fluency

- Adults reads passage, modelling pace, accuracy and expression
- Student tracks the text as they listen (e.g. with their finger)

Read together

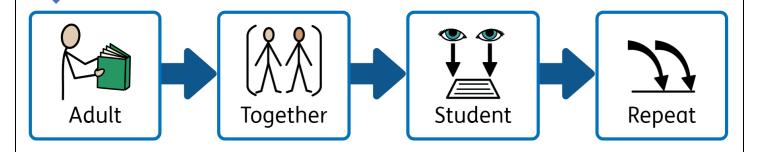
- Student and adult reads the passage aloud together
- Adult praises effort

Student reads

- Adult listens to the student read the passage aloud
- Provide unknown words after 3 seconds

Student re

- Student reads the passage at least 3 times
- Adult provides positive, corrective feedback after each reading



Key components



Modelling of fluent reading

Positive feedback cueing students to focus on pace, accuracy and expression

Previewing potentially unknown words before reading

At least 4 rereadings

- ✓ Builds **fluency** with a given text. With enough repetitions, a child can **'orthographically map'** less familiar words, storing them in their long term memory for retrieval elsewhere.
- ✓ Gives children experiences of success, essential to building confidence and motivation
- ✓ Reduces cognitive load, allow for better quality **comprehension**.

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