



Academy of READING

Feature Highlight: Oral Reading Fluency Add-on



Many students struggle with oral fluency, especially those with language-based reading deficiencies. Overcoming this challenge requires explicit Oral Reading Fluency training, which helps to increase student performance by strengthening neural pathways and oral-language skill connections.

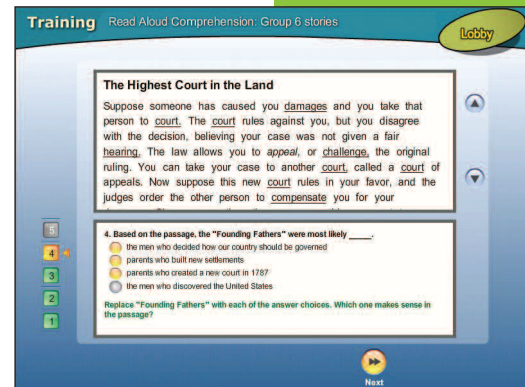
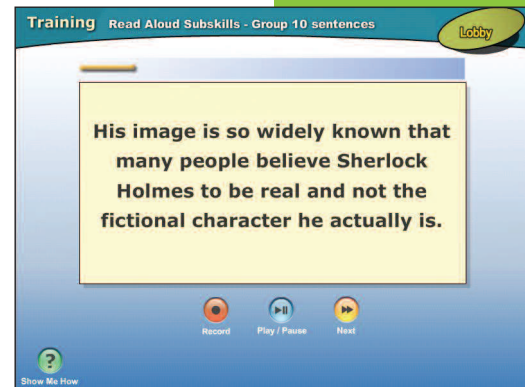
A new add-on to the Academy of READING®, Oral Reading Fluency enables students to play an active role in the development of their oral reading fluency – an essential step in becoming an active, fluent reader. It was designed based on research findings including those identified in the Report of the National Reading Panel (2000) and Put Reading First (2001). Delivered in a web-based environment, the Oral Reading Fluency add-on is easy for students to access from any workstation on the school or district network.

The training component allows students to hear modeling of words, phrases and sentences – and then to rehearse, record and compare their oral recording to the benchmark. It includes:

- **Oral reading practice**, students work from letters, syllables and high-frequency words to phrases and sentences that increase in complexity as the student advances. Students rehearse, record and self-evaluate their oral reading of the text. The content in this practice is taken from the full-length text passages found in the oral reading comprehension practice.
- **Oral reading comprehension practice** contains exercises designed to develop strategies for better comprehension, including reading vocabulary and the ability to identify the main idea and author's purpose. Students are exposed to leveled passages of high-interest reading content supported with a multimedia glossary. Students rehearse, record and self-evaluate their oral reading of the text and then answer a variety of multiple choice questions to confirm retention and comprehension of the text.

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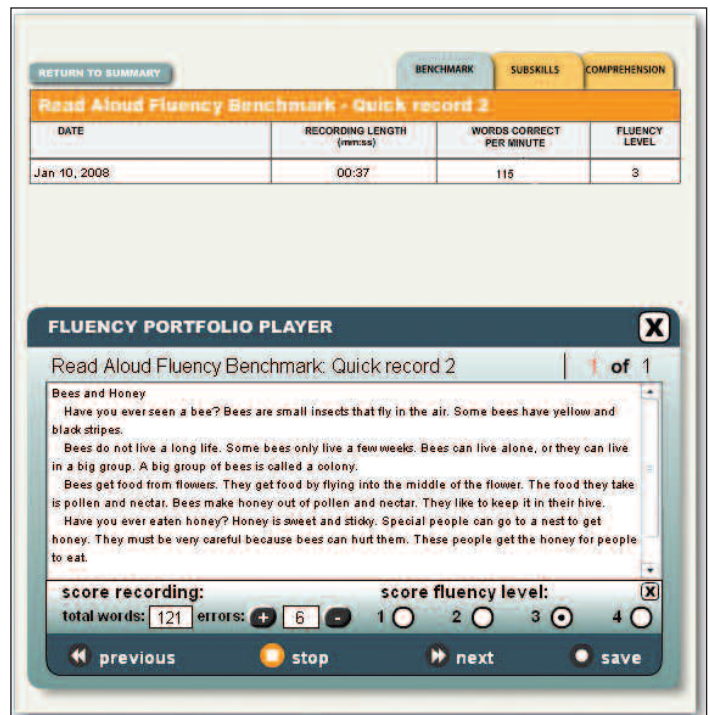
It was a dark and stormy night. The rain lashed against the windows and the old screen door banged in the wind. Inside the house, the children could hear the howl of the wind and the waves crashing onto the shore. There was only enough fuel left to keep the one lamp lit. Huddled together in front of the stove, the children wondered what could be the other reason they should have been back several days ago? Even though the wind which had blown in, but in the end, it could be foolhardy indeed! Then suddenly, there was



• **Fluency benchmarks & student fluency portfolio** provide a timed, cold reading to help teachers assess each student's oral reading fluency progress. A "play list" is provided through an online portfolio so that student recordings can be reviewed and scored by the teacher at any time. Fluency recordings can be scored using a Words Correct per Minute (WCPM) score and the National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) 4-point fluency scale. This enables spot checks to ensure students are completing tasks and making the necessary progress.

Scalable, flexible solution

Easy to access via web-based delivery, the Oral Reading Fluency add-on provides flexibility and control for teachers through management tools that allow them to quickly and easily review and evaluate each student's progress. The Oral Reading Fluency add-on grows with your school or district to accommodate large groups of students, delivering the essential training for students to achieve fluency and build strong reading skills.



About AutoSkill® International

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