

Fluency Practice Plan

Daily 10-Minute Routine for Age 6

What Fluency Is

- Accuracy — reading words correctly
- Rate — reading at an appropriate speed
- Prosody — reading with expression and intonation
- Goal: automatic word recognition that frees the brain for comprehension

Fluency Benchmarks

- End of Kindergarten: 10–30 correct words per minute (CWPM)
- Mid First Grade: 30–50 CWPM
- End of First Grade: 40–60 CWPM
- Measure monthly: 1-minute timed read, count words minus errors

10-Minute Daily Routine

- ☐ 0–2 min: Sight word warm-up (10 known + 1 new)
- ☐ 2–5 min: New text reading (3–5 sentences at independent level)
- ☐ 5–8 min: Repeated reading (same passage a second time)
- ☐ 8–10 min: Partner read-aloud (you read one sentence, child reads next)

Weekly Repeated Reading Plan

- Monday: First read of Passage A (establish baseline)
- Tuesday: Second read of Passage A (improve speed)
- Wednesday: Third read of Passage A (smooth + expressive)
- Thursday: First read of Passage B (apply gains to new text)
- Friday: Second read of Passage B + sight word review

Choosing the Right Text

- Independent level: 95–100% accuracy (use for fluency practice)
- Instructional level: 90–94% accuracy (use with adult support)
- Frustration level: below 90% (avoid for independent practice)
- If more than 1 error per sentence, drop down a level

Tracking Progress

- Monthly 1-minute CWPM check
- Target: 1–2 CWPM gain per week
- Celebrate milestones: 20, 30, 40 CWPM
- Trend matters more than the number

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