

Target Word and Placement Test

Student Name	Grade	
Assessor Name	Date of Birth	

Administration Directions

- The student reads the words from the list, beginning with the first word. (Words may be read from Target Word flashcards, printed word list, or from Powerpoint.)
- The assessor says, "I want you to read some words. Please do the best you can. If you come to a word you don't know, skip it and go to the next one."
- No corrective feedback is provided. As needed, point to each word and say, "What word?" If the student misses a word or does not respond in 3-4 seconds, do NOT provide the correct word. As needed, point to the next word and say, "What word?"
- Mark correct words with a **1.** Mark incorrect words with a **0**. No responses and words not provided in 3-4 seconds are incorrect and also scored with a 0.
- Continue testing until the student misses 6 consecutive words. If the student becomes unfocused, discontinue the testing session and resume at another time.

Student Engagment				
Record student engagement by writing a code using the scale below and relevant comments (if desired).		Date	Code	Comments
N = Never engaged	A = Always engaged			
S = Somewhat engaged	D = Disruptive			
	(behavior management interferes with assessment)			

Directions for Scoring

The student's score is the total number of words read correctly.

Remember that the testing session should be ended once the student misses 6 consecutive words. No words should be scored as correct after the student misses 6 consecutive words. (Note: We recommend administering the test when beginning the program and then approximately once per semester.)

Date	Score

Determining Instructional Placement Level

The placement level is the first level in which the student **misses 2 or more** words (for Levels 1-5). If the student does not miss 2 or more words in any of the first five levels, then the placement level is the first level in which the student **misses four or more words (for Levels 6-14)**.

Date	Level



Target Word and Placement Test (words for Levels 1-5)

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Level 1		
1.	а	
2.	do	
3.	I	
4.	like	
5.	not	
6.	want	
# missed		

Level 2		
7.	dad	
8.	here	
9.	is	
10.	look	
11.	Mom	
12.	see	
13.	the	
14.	where	
# missed		

Level 3		
15.	are	
16.	at	
17.	happy	
18.	in	
19.	no	
20.	she	
21.	yes	
22.	you	
# missed		

	Level 4		
23.	good		
24.	help		
25.	play		
26.	there		
27.	to		
28.	was		
# missed			

Level 5		
29.	big	
30.	have	
31.	little	
32.	my	
33.	please	
34.	very	
35.	what	
# missed		

Reminder: Continue on to the next page if the student has not missed 6 consecutive words.



Target Word and Placement Test (words for Levels 6-8)

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Level 6		
36.	am	
37.	and	
38.	at	
39.	can	
40.	dad	
41.	fun	
42.	had	
43.	hat	
44.	mad	
45.	ran	
46.	run	
47.	sad	
48.	sun	
49.	ир	
50.	us	
51.	be	
52.	friend	
53.	give	
54.	go	
55.	he	
56.	her	
57.	it	
58.	me	
59.	on	
60.	SO	
61.	thank	
62.	we	
63.	who	
64.	with	
65.	your	
# r	nissed	

Level 7		
64.	big	
67.	did	
68.	got	
69.	him	
70.	if	
71.	in	
72.	it	
73.	mom	
74.	not	
75.	on	
76.	sit	
77.	stop	
78.	this	
79.	will	
80.	with	
81.	because	
82.	care	
83.	come	
84.	could	
85.	feel	
86.	first	
87.	of	
88.	how	
89.	next	
90.	said	
91.	should	
92.	take	
93.	too	
94.	why	
95.	would	
# r	nissed	

Level 8		
96.	bed	
97.	best	
98.	end	
99.	get	
100.	help	
101.	let	
102.	next	
103.	red	
104.	step	
105.	tell	
106.	them	
107.	then	
108.	went	
109.	when	
110.	yes	
111.	again	
112.	away	
113.	came	
114.	clothes	
115.	cold	
116.	eat	
117.	food	
118.	for	
119.	from	
120.	need	
121.	oh	
122.	out	
123.	put	
124.	ready	
125.	some	
# missed		

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Target Word and Placement Test (words for Levels 9-11)

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Level 9		
126.	came	
127.	fine	
128.	five	
129.	gave	
130.	home	
131.	hope	
132.	like	
133.	made	
134.	make	
135.	nine	
136.	same	
137.	side	
138.	smile	
139.	time	
140.	white	
141.	about	
142.	animal	
143.	been	
144.	day	
145.	does	
146.	down	
147.	every	
148.	many	
149.	one	
150.	or	
151.	other	
152.	push	
153.	snow	
154.	they	
155.	were	
# r	nissed	

Level 10		
156.	cold	
157.	day	
158.	hold	
159.	may	
160.	old	
161.	plain	
162.	play	
163.	rain	
164.	roll	
165.	say	
166.	stay	
167.	tail	
168.	told	
169.	wait	
170.	way	
171.	any	
172.	ball	
173.	both	
174.	done	
175.	boy	
176.	family	
177.	girl	
178.	more	
179.	most	
180.	once	
181.	room	
182.	saw	
183.	their	
184.	warm	
185.	young	
# r	nissed	

	Level	11
186.	all	
187.	call	
188.	clean	
189.	each	
190.	eat	
191.	feel	
192.	green	
193.	neat	
194.	need	
195.	read	
196.	see	
197.	seem	
198.	small	
199.	tall	
200.	wall	
201.	another	
202.	answer	
203.	kind	
204.	know	
205.	our	
206.	question	
207.	really	
208.	right	
209.	second	
210.	soon	
211.	sure	
212.	thought	
213.	word	
214.	work	
215.	wrong	
# r	nissed	

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Target Word and Placement Test (words for Levels 12-14)

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Level 12		
216.	after	
217.	better	
218.	chapter	
219.	different	
220.	hard	
221.	high	
222.	light	
223.	might	
224.	never	
225.	night	
226.	number	
227.	part	
228.	right	
229.	start	
230.	together	
231.	almost	
232.	book	
233.	bought	
234.	break	
235.	buy	
236.	easy	
237.	four	
238.	learn	
239.	money	
240.	new	
	probably	
242.	review	
243.	these	
244.	two	
245.	watch	
# r	missed	

	Level	13
246.	before	
247.	below	
248.	door	
249.	follow	
250.	forget	
251.	goal	
252.	know	
253.	more	
254.	morning	
255.	own	
256.	road	
257.	short	
258.	show	
259.	slow	
260.	yellow	
261.	above	
262.	alone	
263.	by	
264.	eight	
265.	find	
266.	house	
267.	idea	
268.	often	
269.	special	
270.	talk	
271.	through	
272.	usually	
273.	walk	
274.	water	
275.	worry	
# r	nissed	

Level 14		
276.	bird	
277.	book	
278.	burn	
279.	cook	
280.	disturb	
281.	girl	
282.	good	
283.	hook	
284.	hurt	
285.	shirt	
286.	stood	
287.	third	
288.	took	
289.	turn	
290.	wood	
291.	able	
292.	along	
293.	carry	
294.	color	
295.	full	
296.	great	
297.	heard	
298.	instead	
299.	live	
300.	love	
301.	move	
302.	only	
303.	over	
304.	try	
305.	world	
# r	nissed	

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