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Using Assessment Tools to Meet Student Needs

Grade 1 Placement Assessments

Handouts & Examples

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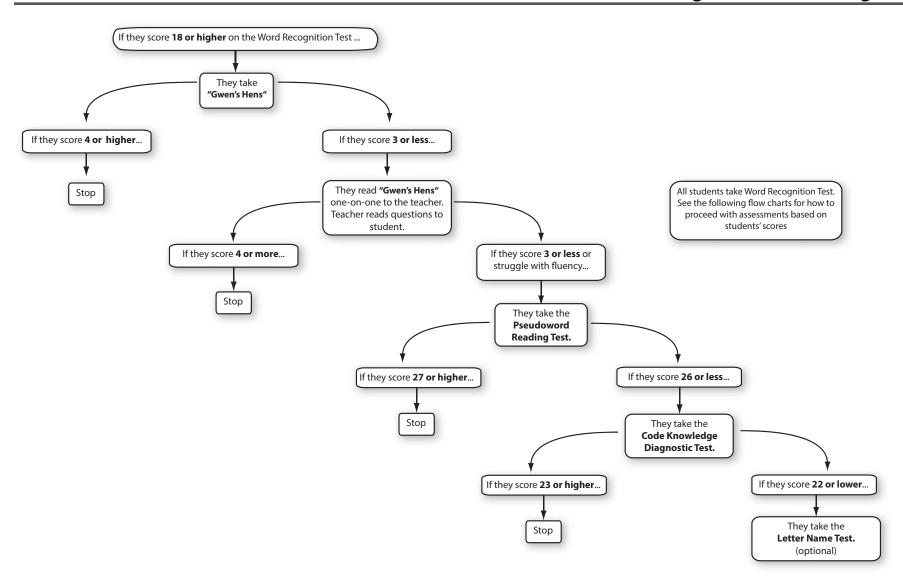
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Grade 1 Placement Tests

Test Name	Setting	If the Score is	Then the Next Test Will Be
Word Recognition Test	Group	18 or higher (exclude lines 21–25)	Story Reading: "Gwen's Hens"
rest		17 or lower	Pseudoword Reading Test
2. Story Reading	Group	4 or more	No further assessments
		3 or less	Work one-on-one and listen to student read the story aloud, marking errors along the way. Orally ask questions. If student still misses three questions or struggled to read story, administer the Pseudoword Reading Test.
3. Pseudoword Reading		Story Reading: "Gwen's Hens"	
		26 or lower	Code Knowledge Diagnostic Test
4. Code Knowledge	1-1	23 or higher	No further assessments
Diagnostic		22 or lower	Letter Name Test (optional)
5. Letter Name Test	Group or 1-1	N/A	No further assessments

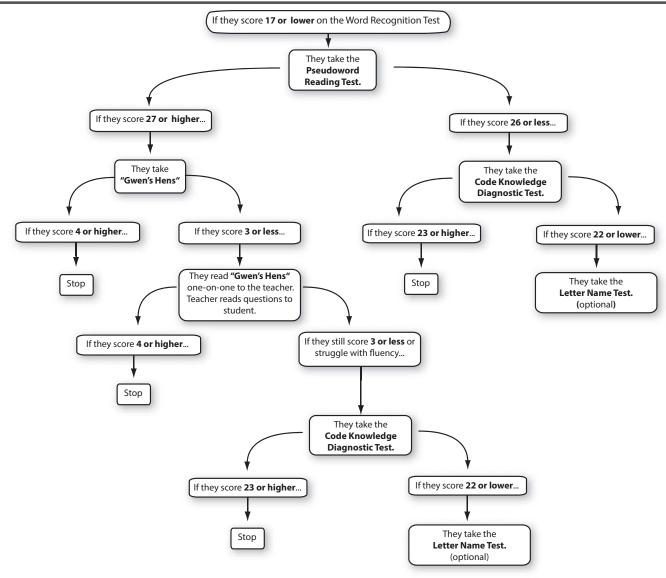
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Flow Chart for Order of Assessment Administration if Students Score 18 or Higher on Word Recognition



Please Note: Cut off scores on this page are used only to determine which tests to administer when. They are not used in interpreting Assessment Scores.

Flow Chart for Order of Assessment Administration if Students Score 17 or Lower on Word Recognition



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Name Ella	<u></u> (6.1)

1.	met	man	mat	bat
2.	zip	zap	sip	vat
3.	cut	cot	got	gut
4.	pet	vet	vat	fat
5.	rot	rob	rod	red
6.	fox	fix	fax	fan
7.	spill	grab	stop	spit
8.	clip	drip	drop	drum
9.	cabs	dogs	crabs	crust
10.	flint	flag	print	flap
11.	mess	mass	miss	muss

12.	kong	king	kin	ken
13.	wack	wax	wick	wicks
14.	ships	chops	chips	chaps
15.	chin	shin	shun	sin
16.	that	fin	this	thin
17.	chin	jill	Chill	spill
18.	quest	chest	quill	best
19.	bus	buzz	boss	buff
20.	ebb	edd	odd	bibb

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Name _	Ella			
21.	the	was	of	to
22.	а	from	your	are
23.	have	one	who	their
24.	you	said	were	says
25.	here	I	is	no

Jame .	Ella	6.1
		Continued

Scoring Sheet for Word Recognition Test

Lines	Code Knowledge Tested	Items Correct	Specific Errors
1–6	CVC word with single-letter spellings, e.g., fax, fat	<u>6</u> /6	Sound spellings missed and/or confusion, e.g., 'b' and 'd', 's' and 'z', 'a', and 'o'
7–13	Consonant clusters, e.g., 'dr' in drip	<u>5</u> /7	Clusters missed: \cr
14–20	Consonant digraphs and double- letter spellings, e.g., 'ss' and 'th'	_1 _/7	Consonant digraphs/double- letter spellings missed:
21–25	Tricky Words, e.g., the and I	<u>4</u> /5	Tricky Words missed:

Total Score: _______/20

- Students who scored 18 out of 20 (90%) or above have strong word recognition skills and are making good progress. They will next take the Story Reading Test, "Gwen's Hens."
- Students who scored 17 or less should be assessed one-on-one. They will first receive the Pseudoword Reading Test.

Name Ella

Gwen's Hens

Gwen had a red hen.

Gwen kept the hen in a pen.

The hen sat on its eggs.

It sat and sat and sat.

When Gwen got up, the hen was still on its eggs.

When Gwen went to bed, the hen was still there.

Then the hen was a mom!

Name Ella	7.2
1. Gwen had a:	
o dog	
o cat	
hen	
2. The hen was:	
o wet	
• red	
o mad	
3. Gwen kept the hen in a:	
o box	
pen	
o pet	

- 4. The hen sat on:
 - o a bed
 - a mat
 - \emptyset its eggs
- 5. When Gwen went went to bed, the hen:
 - sat and sat
 - o had a snack
 - o went with Gwen
- 6. The hen sat and sat and was a:
 - kid
 - \circ dad
 - $\not \bowtie$ mom

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Name Matthew	7.2
1. Gwen had a:	
o dog	
o cat	
hen	
2. The hen was:	
o wet	
• red	
o mad	
3. Gwen kept the hen in a:	
o box	
pen	
o pet	

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- o a bed
- a mat
- its eggs its eggs

5. When Gwen went went to bed, the hen:

- had a snack
- o went with Gwen

6. The hen sat and sat and was a:

- kid
- \circ dad
- ⋈ mom

Pseudoword Reading Test

- rab zat het wug sep
- kem jid yod pog lum
- 3. lin fod mip cax ved
- clup nist stent glosp brin
- 5. thock shup chim ling quib
- beff 6. muzz dagg vell tass

Name _ Matthew

Pseudoword Scoring Sheet

Directions: If a student misreads a word, write the letter for the sound that is misread above the Directions: If a student misreads a wora, write the ueuer jui wie some more a corresponding letter in the word. If student reads "wug" as /wag/, mark "wug" as follows: a wugg

A STATE OF THE STA	
1. wug rab sep zat het	
2. kem jid pog lum yod	
3. lin fod cax ved mip	
4. nist brin clup stent glosp	<u>. 25. km/2015</u>
5. thock shup chim quib ling	, , , , , , ,
6. muzz vell tass beff dagg	#ECO. 038174[55]
	2. kem jid pog lum yod 3. lin fod cax ved mip 4. nist brin clup stent grosp 5. thock shup chim quib ling

Error Analysis

Short Vowel Letter-Sound Errors:

Consonant Letter-Sound Errors: 191 instead of 191111 (omitted 14) Consonant Cluster Errors:

Consonant Digraph Errors: → qu

Double-Letter Spellings

Code Knowledge Diagnostic Test

1.	m	S	f	٧	Z
2.	r	1	n	е	U
3.	I	0	а	t	У
4.	d	9	h	j	k
5.	b	р	С	W	X
6.	sh	ch	th	ng	qu
7.	ff	SS	II	99	ck

	Tan	71
Name	Larc	(7.4)

Code Knowledge Diagnostic Test

The state of the s						
1.	m	Ś	f	v′	z	
2.	r ·	1	ń	(x)	u	
3.	I	, o	á	ť	ý	
4.	d.	g	ĥ	j	k	
5.	b	p	C	w	x	
6.	sh	(ck)	(tk)	ng/	(gu)	Paris - 199-1
7.	ff -	255	11	gg	(ek)	

Letter/sounds correct _______/ 35

Name _____

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Letter Name Test

1.	a	W	e
2.	t	y	u
3.	O	p	S
4.	f	g	h
5.	k	1	Z
6.	С	V	b
7.	d	X	j
8.	n	i	m
9.	u	r	q
10.	1	y	g

8 Placement Planning Sheet of Students' Unit 1 Scores

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Student's Name	Word Recognition	Story Reading: "Gwen's Hens"	Pseudoword Reading	Code Knowledge	Letter Name	Group	
Ella	18	4				T	outstandin
Matthew	18	3	28			J	strong
Ian	11		14	27		3	

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Interpreting Assessment Scores

Note: The scores on this page should not be confused with the scores provided for administration of assessments on pages 54-55. Each of the scores in this chart represents a degree of mastery (or lack thereof) on each subtest. Group placements are derived by considering each student's degree of mastery on the combined assessments administered.

If a student scores	s/he should start instruction after Unit 1 with	Group
18 or more on Word Recognition and 4 or more on "Gwen's Hens"	CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2 This student has OUTSTANDING preparation for Grade 1 Skills.	1
18 or more on Word Recognition and 3 or less on "Gwen's Hens" and 27 or more on the Pseudoword Test	CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2 This student has STRONG preparation for Grade 1 Skills, with good decoding of individual words. Additional practice reading continuous text fluently is indicated; encourage rereading of Unit 2 reader stories.	1
18 or more on Word Recognition and 3 or less on "Gwen's Hens" and 21 or more on the Pseudoword Test and 28 or more on the Code Knowledge Test	CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2 This student has ADEQUATE preparation for Grade 1 Skills. Provide targeted small group remediation in the specific letter-sound correspondences misread on the Pseudoword Test, using selected materials from the Unit 1 Assessment and Remediation Guide. Monitor progress in Unit 2.	2
18 or more on Word Recognition and 3 or less on "Gwen's Hens" and 20 or less on the Pseudoword Test and 28 or more on the Code Knowledge Test	CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2 This student has ADEQUATE preparation for Grade 1 Skills. Provide targeted small group remediation in the specific letter-sound correspondences misread on the Pseudoword Test, as well as blending, using selected materials from the Unit 1 Assessment and Remediation Guide. Monitor progress in Unit 2.	2
18 or more on Word Recognition and 3 or less on "Gwen's Hens" and 20 or less on the Pseudoword Test and 27 or less on the Code Knowledge Test	This student has QUESTIONABLE preparation for Grade 1 Skills. The strong Word Recognition score may reveal a tendency to memorize words, rather than apply code knowledge. While this student could start CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2, s/he would benefit from a comprehensive review first of all material from the Unit 1 Assessment and Remediation Guide before starting CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2. If CKLA Kindergarten materials are available, another option may be to use Kindergarten Units 6–8 materials before starting CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2.	3

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17 or less on Word Recognition and 20 or less on the Pseudoword Test and 3 or less on "Gwen's Hens" and 27 or less on the Code Knowledge Test	This student has QUESTIONABLE preparation for Grade 1 Skills. S/he needs a comprehensive review first of all material from the Unit 1 Assessment and Remediation Guide before starting CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2. If CKLA Kindergarten materials are available, another option may be to use Kindergarten Units 6–8 materials before starting CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2.	3

Note: Scores on the Code Knowledge Diagnostic Test need to be interpreted with care. If a student makes errors in indicating the correct short vowel sounds for three or more of the letters representing the short vowel sounds, i.e., 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o' or 'u', s/he may require intensive remediation, regardless of the overall Code Knowledge Diagnostic Test score. Even if the description for such a student indicates adequate preparation for Grade 1 Unit 2 based on the overall score, it may be wiser to view this student's preparation as questionable and first start with a comprehensive review of all material from the Unit 1 Assessment and Remediation Guide. Strong mastery of the short vowel letter-sound correspondences is a prerequisite before starting Grade 1 Unit 2.

Analyzing Assessments for Additional Instructional Information

Once students have been grouped and placed, teachers are encouraged to conduct a more refined error analysis of student performance on the various assessments as suggested below in order to better tailor small group instruction to meet individual students' needs.

- Word Recognition Test—See error analysis for each student as documented on the Scoring Sheet for Word Recognition Test, Worksheet 6.1. Provide specific remediation for the letter-sound correspondences and/or Tricky Words missed; see Unit 1 Pausing Point activities and/or Unit 1 of the Assessment and Remediation Guide.
- Pseudoword Reading Test—See error analysis for each student as documented on the Pseudoword Scoring Sheet, Worksheet 7.3. Provide specific remediation for the letter-sound correspondences missed; see Unit 1 Pausing Point activities and/or Unit 1 of the Assessment and Remediation Guide.
- Code Knowledge Diagnostic Test—See errors marked on the Code Knowledge Diagnostic Test, Worksheet 7.4. Provide specific remediation for the letter-sound correspondences missed; see Unit 1 Pausing Point activities and/or Unit 1 of the Assessment and Remediation Guide.
- Letter Name Test—See errors marked on the Letter Name Test, Worksheet 7.5. Provide specific practice in letter naming; see Unit 1 Pausing Point activities.

Note: While students who do not know some of the letter names certainly should practice and learn the letter names, lack of knowledge of the letter names will not substantially interfere with their ability to read text in the early Grade 1 units.

Placement and Grouping Guidelines

Grade 1 teachers should meet as a team after they have completed the Placement Planning Sheet and have assigned a group number to each student in their class. Using the group numbers, begin sorting students from all classrooms on the basis of their group number, using the following approximate guidelines:

If there is only one classroom teacher per grade level	the teacher should start all students with CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2, providing individualized remediation in small groups using Pausing Point activities and/or the Assessment and Remediation Guide as needed
If there are two classroom teachers per grade level	one teacher provides Skills instruction to all Group 1 and 2 students, starting with CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2, while the other teacher provides Skills instruction to all Group 3 students, starting with Unit 1 of the Assessment and Remediation Guide
If there are three classroom teachers per grade level	one teacher provides Skills instruction to all Group 1 students, starting with CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2, another teacher provides Skills instruction to all Group 2 students, starting with CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2, and the other teacher provides Skills instruction to all Group 3 students, starting with Unit 1 of the Assessment and Remediation Guide
If there are four classroom teachers per grade level	one teacher provides Skills instruction to all Group 1 students, starting with CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2, another teacher provides Skills instruction to the higher level Group 2 students, starting with CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2, another teacher provides Skills instruction to the lower level Group 2 students, starting with CKLA Grade 1 Unit 2 and intermittent use of Pausing Point activities throughout the unit for reinforcement, and the other teacher provides Skills instruction to all Group 3 students starting with Unit 1 of the Assessment and Remediation Guide

These grouping guidelines are only a starting point; other variables, such as the number of students across the grade level in any given group, will also need to be considered. If there are disproportionately larger numbers of one or more particular groups of students, these guidelines will need to be modified to ensure that no one teacher has a disproportionately larger class size.