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Fleeting Phrases



Objective

The student will gain speed and accuracy in reading phrases.



Materials

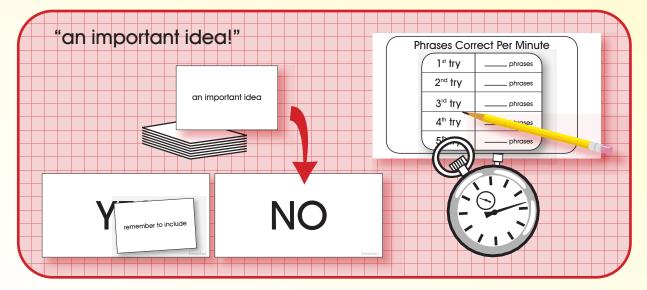
- YES and NO header cards
- ▶ Phrase cards Copy on card stock, laminate, and cut. Note: These phrases were developed using high frequency words.
- ▶ Phrases correct per minute record
- ► Timer (e.g., digital)
- ▶ Pencils



Activity

Students quickly read phrases on cards in a timed activity.

- 1. Place header cards face up and timer on a flat surface. Place the phrase cards face down in a stack. Provide each student with a phrases correct per minute record.
- 2. Taking turns, student one sets the timer for one minute, selects the top card, holds it up for partner to see, and prompts partner to read the phrase.
- 3. If all the words in the phrase are read correctly, student one places the card in a pile on the "YES" card. If one or more words in the phrase are read incorrectly, places it in a pile on the "NO" card.
- 4. Continues until the timer rings. Count the phrase cards in the "YES" pile and record the number on the phrases correct per minute record. Read phrases in the "NO" pile together.
- 5. Repeat the activity at least two more times attempting to increase speed and accuracy.
- 6. Reverse roles.
- 7. Peer evaluation





Extensions and Adaptations

▶ Identify and read sentences in text in which phrasing makes a difference in meaning (e.g., Fruit flies like a banana. Depending on phrasing, flies is either a noun or a verb).

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several years ago	between the lines
remember to include	along the river
during certain times	never say never
before and after	among the family



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really easy	body of water
enough money	cannot understand you
able to explain	usually order
today began slowly	again and again

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a number of people	just minutes away
answer the question	an important idea
your mother and father	give me an example
measure in inches	before you begin



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complete the sentence	a common color
listen carefully	every second counts
better late than never	something special
circle the letter	almost always

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below the surface	early in the morning
the story is about	go inside the building
correct the paper	over and under
it finally happened	figure out the problem



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across the ocean	too heavy to carry
children study together	travel across the country
nothing was decided	many different animals
covered the table	sometimes you notice

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Phrases Correct Per Minute

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 1st try
 ______ phrases

 2nd try
 _____ phrases

 3rd try
 _____ phrases

 4th try
 _____ phrases

 5th try
 _____ phrases

YES

header



NO

header

