



INTRODUCING ORAL READING FLUENCY

Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) - Reading aloud with accuracy, speed, and expression, so it sounds like natural speech. A child who reads fluently sounds like they are talking, which allows them to understand what they are reading instead of focusing on each word.

THREE KEY INGREDIENTS



Accuracy - Reading words correctly - the foundation of fluent reading.

Pace - Reading at a smooth, steady pace (not too fast or slow).

Expression - Using your voice to bring meaning to the text (tone, pauses for punctuation, emphasis on important words).

Helping Your Child Build Fluency

Read often and together! Read and re-read favorite stories, read aloud to your child, explore all kinds of texts—fiction, comics, magazines—and show how reading connects to daily life like recipes, signs, or directions.

Fluent Readers Tend To Have Stronger:

- Comprehension, vocabulary, & language skills
- Motivation to read
- Emotional connections to stories
- Academic performance

WHY FLUENCY MATTERS



Percentile Chart

- No Risk: 75th Percentile and higher
- Low Risk: 50-74th Percentile
- Some Risk: 25-49th Percentile
- High Risk: Less than 25th Percentile



Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) Report

When you receive your first report*, your child will be placed in a nationally-normed percentile. These percentiles help us determine the literacy needs of your child.

Families of students in grades 2–5 will receive an Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) progress update in February and June.

Grade 1 families will receive theirs in April.

*See reverse side for sample ORF report



ORAL READING FLUENCY REPORT - *SAMPLE*

Student Name: Sample, Report

Assessment Period: Winter

Grade: 2

Building: Poestenkill Elementary

This report shows the results from the FastBridge Oral Reading Fluency assessment, which is used as the reading screener by our district.

The chart below shows how your child scored in relation to the other students across the nation.

No Risk	Low Risk	Some Risk	High Risk
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High Risk: Less than 25th percentile

To support your child's reading fluency and access resources, please visit our website (www.averillpark.k12.ny.us) and select Services → Teaching and Learning → Early Literacy from the menu.