

States with a Dyslexia Law



What is Dyslexia?

"Dyslexia is a specific learning disability that is neurobiological in origin.

It is characterized by difficulties with accurate and/or fluent word recognition and by poor spelling and decoding abilities.

These difficulties typically result from a deficit in the phonological component of language that is often unexpected in relation to other cognitive abilities and the provision of effective classroom instruction.

Secondary consequences may include problems in reading comprehension and reduced reading experience that can impede growth of vocabulary and background knowledge."

Adopted by the IDA Board of Directors, Nov. 12, 2002.

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- A school district shall utilize a screening instrument aimed at identifying students at risk of not meeting grade-level reading benchmarks. The screening instrument must:
- (i) be administered to:
- (A) a child in the first year that the child is admitted to a school of the district up to grade 2; and
- (B) a child who has not been previously screened by the district and who fails to meet grade-level reading benchmarks in any grade;
- (ii) be administered by an individual with an understanding of, and training to identify, signs of dyslexia; and
- (iii) be designed to assess developmentally appropriate phonological and phonemic awareness skills.

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- (4) The office of public instruction shall:
- (b) provide guidance to school districts related to:
- (i) the early identification of students with dyslexia, including best practices for universal, valid, and reliable screening methods and other assessments in support of the requirements of subsection (3)(b) that:
- (A) have minimal or no cost to a district; and
- (B) are able to be integrated with a district's existing reading programs;

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 (c) If a screening under subsection (3)(b) suggests that a child may have dyslexia or a medical professional diagnoses a child with dyslexia, the child's school district shall take steps to identify the specific needs of the child and implement best practice interventions to address those needs. This process may lead to consideration of the child's qualification as a child with a disability under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act.

Early Warning Signs - Myths

Preschool

- May talk later than most children
- May have difficulty pronouncing words,
 - i.e., busgettifor spaghetti, mawn lowerfor lawn mower
- May be unable to recall the right word
- May have trouble interacting with peers
- May be unable to follow multi-step directions or routines
- Fine motor skills may develop more slowly than in other children

Early Warning Signs - Myths

- Early Elementary
 - Letter reversals *d* for *b* as in, *dog* for *bog*
 - Word reversals *tip* for *pit*
 - Inversions *m* and *w*, *u* and *n*
 - Transpositions *felt* and *left*
 - Substitutions *house* and *home*
 - May transpose number sequences and confuse arithmetic signs (+ x / =)
 - May be impulsive and prone to accidents
 - May have difficulty planning
 - Often uses an awkward pencil grip (fist, thumb hooked over fingers, etc.)
 - May have trouble learning to tell time
 - May have poor fine motor coordination

Early Warning Signs

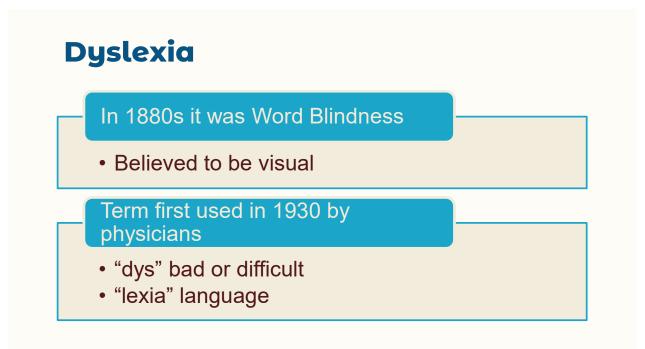
May be slow to add new vocabulary words May have difficulty with rhyming May have trouble learning the alphabet, numbers, days of the week, colors, shapes, how to spell and write his or her name May have difficulty telling and/or retelling a story in the correct sequence Often has difficulty separating sounds in words and blending sounds to make words Seems to be unable to recognize letters in his/her own name Has difficulty decoding single words (reading single words in isolation)

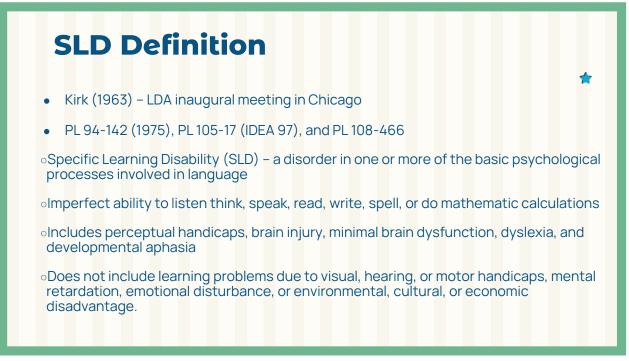
May be slow to learn the connection between letters and sounds

A family history of reading and/or spelling difficulties

DSM – 5 (APA)

- Specific Learning Disorder Reading, not dyslexia.
- a. Difficulty in at least one of the following areas that has persisted for at least 6 months despite the provision of extra help or targeted instruction – (a) inaccurate and slow reading, (b) understanding meaning of what is read, (c) spelling, (d) written expression (grammar, punctuation or organization), (e) understanding number concepts, facts, or calculation, and (f) mathematical reasoning.
- b. The affected academic skills are substantially and quantifiably below those expected for age and cause impairment in academic, occupational, or everyday activities
- c. Onset during the school-age years, although may not fully manifest until young adulthood in some individuals
- d. Intellectual Disabilities, uncorrected auditory or visual acuity problems, other mental or neurological disorders or adverse conditions (psychosocial adversity, lack of proficiency in the language of instruction, inadequate instruction) must be ruled out before a diagnosis of SLD can be confirmed.





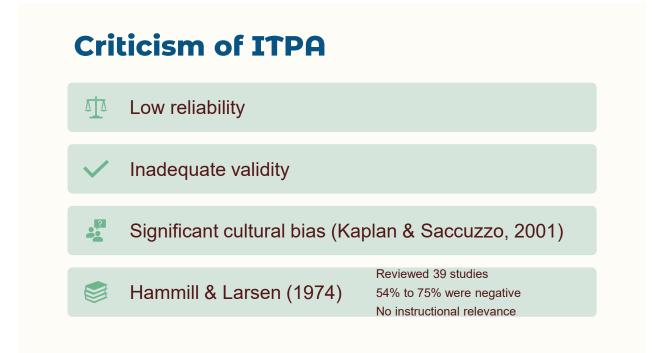
Illinois Test of Psycholinguistic Ability (ITPA)

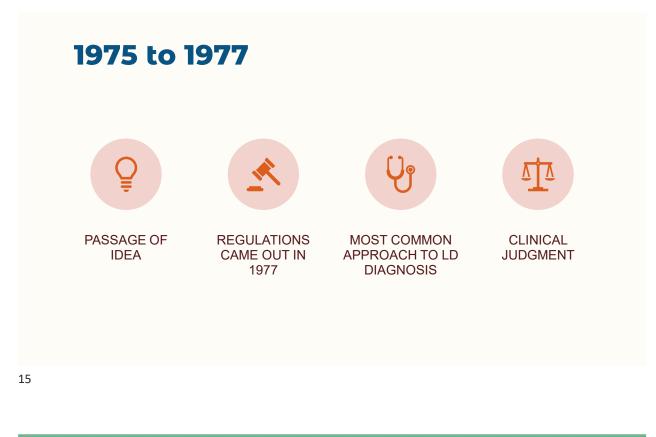
Kirk, McCarthy, & Kirk (1968)

Based Information Processing

Uses

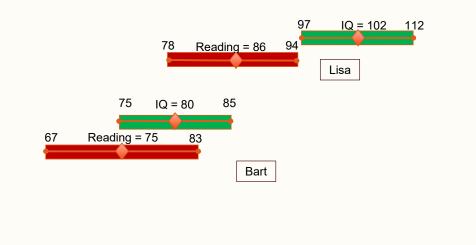
- Assess LD and develop interventions
- Train the deficit area
- Utilize areas of strength
- · Use multisensory presentations more appropriately
- Remediate prerequisite deficits







SLD Identification



Purposes of Assessment

Screening: Which of my students are not meeting grade level expectations given Universal Instruction?

E.g., STAR, NWEA

Diagnostic: What are the specific needs of students who struggle? E.g., measures of specific skills

Monitoring Progress: What does the student's growth look like? E.g., CBM (Aimsweb, Acadience, DIBELS, FastBridge)



Screener	MAP < 25 th %ile	MAP <u>></u> 25 th %ile	Total	Sensitivity = a / (a + c)
Oral Reading Fluency (ORF)				.86 for CBMF .31 for F&P
ORF < Benchmark Goal	276	145	421	Specificity = d / (b + d)
	а	b		.78 for ORF
ORF <u>></u> Benchmark Goal	46	501	547	.66 for F&P,
	С	d		Correct Classification = (a +
Total	322	646	968	d) / N
Informal Reading Inventory (RI)				.80 for ORF .54 for F&P
RI < Benchmark Goal	90	189	279	
	а	b		
RI <u>></u> Benchmark Goal	200	367	567	1
	С	d		o-le
Total	290	556	846	

Variable		n	%
Grade	Kindergarten	23	20.0
	First	22	19.1
	Second	29	25.2
	Third	41	35.7
Race or Ethnicity	African-American	12	10.4
	Asian	3	2.6
	Hispanic	8	7.0
	White	89	77.4
	Other/Multi	3	2.6
Gender	Female	61	53.0
	Male	54	47.0

Diagnostic Accuracy of Shaywitz DyslexiaScreen to Predict Low Phonological Awareness

			<u>nological</u> reness*
		At-	Not At-
		Risk	Risk
	At-Risk	18	21
Shaywitz		а	b
DyslexiaScreen	Not At-	33	27
	Risk	с	d

* As measured by the Comprehensive Test of Phonological Processing (2nd ed.).

Sensitivity = a / (a + c) = .35Specificity = d / (b + d) = .44Overall Correct Classification = (a + d) / n = .45.

Diagnostic Accuracy of DIBELS Composite to Predict Low Phonological Awareness

		<u>Phon</u>	<u>ological</u>
		<u>Awa</u>	reness*
		At-Risk	Not At-Risk
	At-Risk	46	17
DIBELS		а	b
Composite	Not At-Risk	5	33
		с	d

*As measured by the Comprehensive Test of Phonological Processing (2nd ed.).

Sensitivity = a / (a + c) = .90Specificity = d / (b + d) = .66, Overall Correct Classification = (a + d) / n = .78.

A Word About RAN

Variable	N	n	r
Outcome			
Reading Accuracy	79	12,239	.42
Reading Fluency	55	15,710	.49
Stimulus			
Letters	55	13,124	.51
Numbers	60	12,622	.48
Pictures	32	8,409	.35
Colors	25	2,402	.33

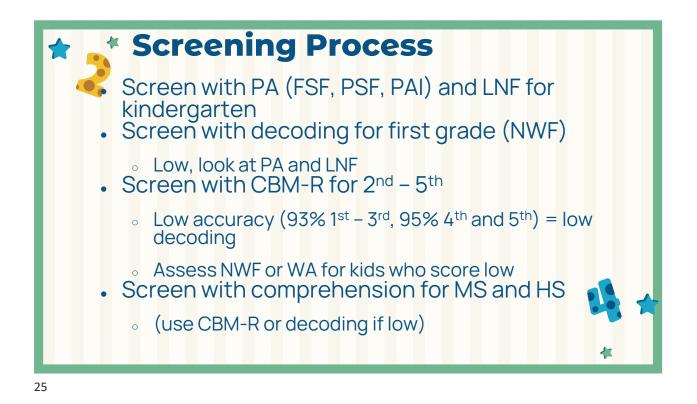
Dyslexia Guidelines

- Skill
- Phonological awareness
- RAN
- Nonsense Word

Fluency

Letter-Sound/Sound Symbol

- Measure •
- Initial (First) Sound Fluency Phoneme Segmentation Fluency
- LNF
- NWF (Word Attack), LSF •
- Letter Sound Fluency
- Oral reading fluency





Step 1 – Get a Good Reading Screener

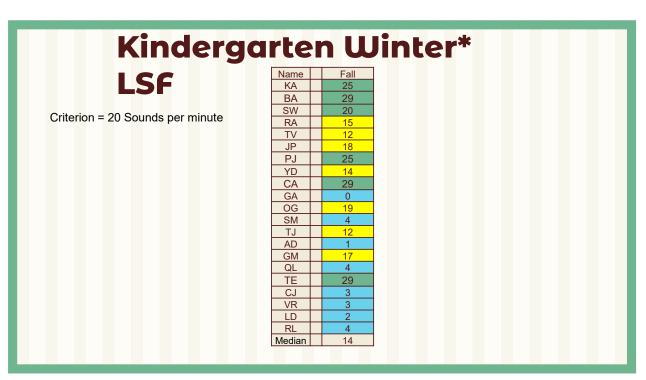
Reliable
Quick
Easy to use
Informs instruction
Preferably cheap!

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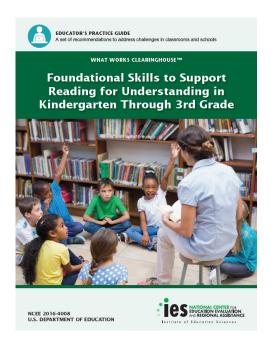
Step 2 – Consider Classroom

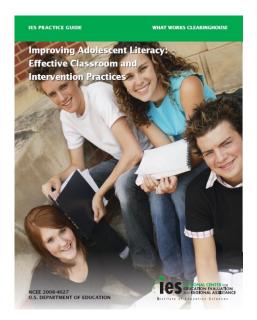
- The hallmark of dyslexia is not poor reading performance
- It is poor reading performance in the face of effective reading instruction.
- Most children who struggle to learn to read do not have dyslexia
- Poor reading performance should signal the need for screening.

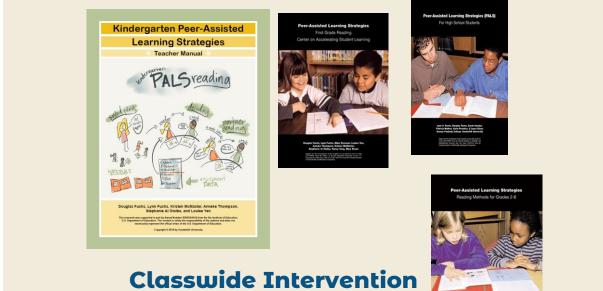




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	Student	Grade	ORF			Student	Grade	ORF	
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	A	3	21	8		В	3	18	6
	В	3	18	6		A	3	21	8
	С	3	87	1		E	3	46	6
	D	3	110	0		N	3	49	6
	E	3	46	6		K	3	50	8
	F	3	92	1		R	3	76	3
	G	3	89	3		Р	3	86	6
	Н	3	98	1		С	3	87	1
	<u> </u>	3	119	2		G	3	89	3
	J	3	96	2		Q	3	89	2
	K	3	50	8		F	3	92	1
	L	3	122	2		U	3	94	2
	M	3	97	1		J	3	96	2
	N	3	49	6		М	3	97	1
	0	3	105	0		Н	3	98	1
	P	3	86	6		0	3	105	0
	Q	3	89	2		D	3	110	0
	R	3	76	3		S	3	112	3
	S	3	112	3		I	3	119	2
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	Class	Median				Class	Median	92	

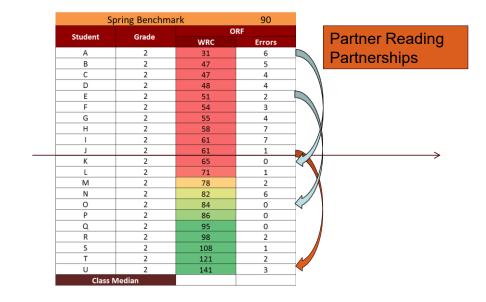






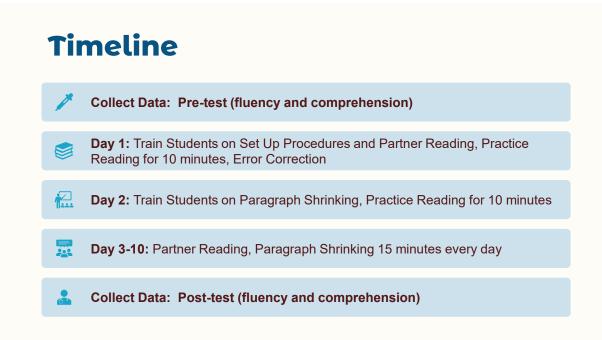
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Procedure

	Partner Reading	Paragraph Shrinking	
1.	Stronger reader reads aloud for 5 minutes	 For 5 minutes the stronger read continues reading new text in the story, stopping after each paragr 	
2.	The weaker reader reads aloud the	to summarize	
	SAME text for 5 minutes	 For 5 minutes the weaker reader continues with the new text, stopping after each paragraph to summarize 	



What we found: 3rd grade Partner Reading data

Third Grade

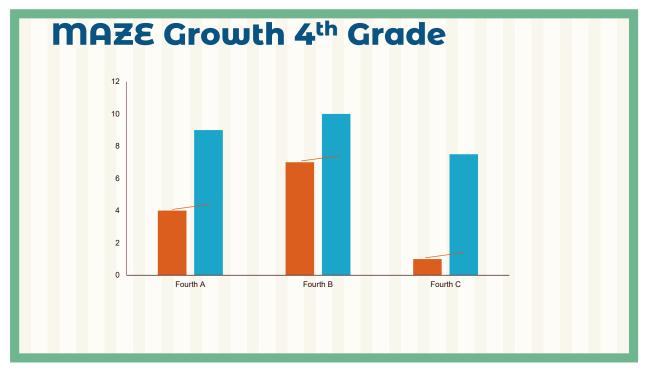
Third Grade Benchmark	91 Words Read Correctly (WRC)				
	Pre Intervention Class Median (WRC)	Post Intervention Class Median (WRC)	Slope (WRC)		
Class 1	81	104	11.5		
Class 2	87	115	14		

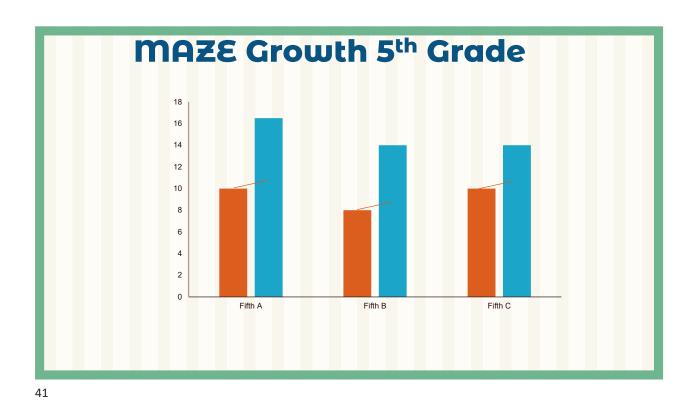
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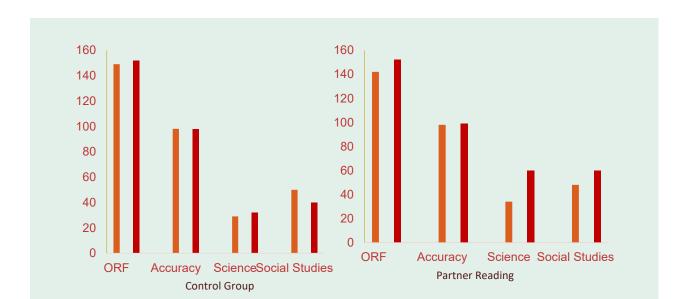
	Students Below Benchmark Pre Intervention	Students Below Benchmark Post Intervention	
Third Grade Class 1	10	5	20
Third Grade Class 2	13	5	23

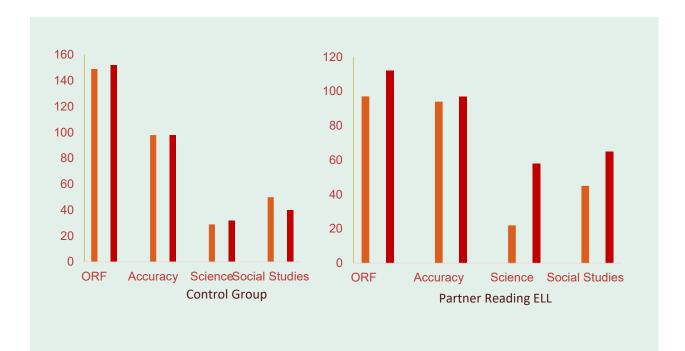
Science Project

- Approximately 140 4th and 5th graders
- Science content
- Readworks.org
- Grade level science MAZE
- 2 weeks



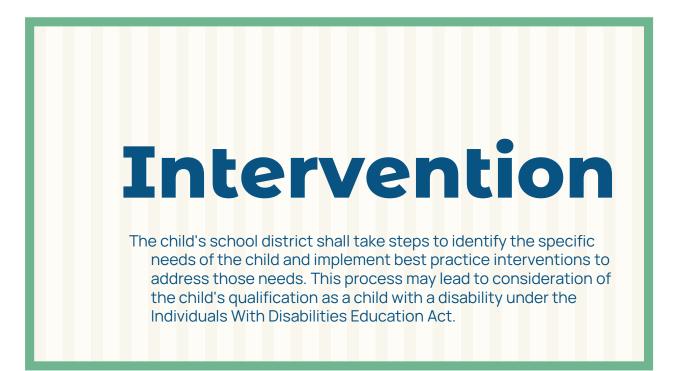








		CBM-R Pre	CBM-R Post	MAP-Reading Score
	Student 1	48	92	189
	Student 2	122	142	194
	Student 3	126	147	196
Agreement	Student 4	82	113	190
	Student 5	102	117	188
Pre CBM-R score and	Student 6	77	97	190
	Student 7	51	70	161
MAP-R score = 69.6%	Student 8	84	95	192
	Student 9	80	82	174
Post CBM-R score and	Student 10	102	127	188
	Student 11	83	106	189
MAP-R score = 91.3%	Student 12	38	47	149
	Student 13	104	115	196
	Student 14	152	161	211
	Student 15	143	158	205
	Student 16	115	125	195
	Student 17	142	160	224
	Student 18	114	127	196
	Student 19	13	40	138
	Student 20	75	92	185
	Student 21	141	136	205
	Student 22	87	105	189
	Student 23	49	47	145
	Median	87	113	190



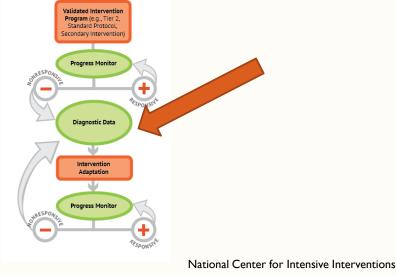
Interventions	for	Children	with LD

Reading comprehension	1.13
Directinstruction	0.84
Psycholinguistic training	0.39
Modality instruction	0.15
Diet	0.12
Perceptual training	0.08
Kavale & Forness, 2000	

Tier 2

Student	Measure	# of Weeks	Pre BEA
		Pre BEA	Slope
1	WRC	20	0.25
2	WRC	12	-0.64
3	WRC	10	1.50
4	LSC	22	-0.15
5	WRC	6	3.00
6	WRC	10	-3.05
7	WRC	16	0.07
8	WRC	14	0.71
9	WRC	8	0.90
10	LSC	20	1.32
11	WRC	8	-0.25
12	WRC	18	0.11
13	WRC	18	0.44
14	WRC	6	0.00
15	LSC	22	0.29
16	LSC	14	0.82
17	LSC	12	0.23

Framework to Intensify Interventions



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Aptitude by Treatment Interaction (ATI)

- (ATI)
 Differential intervention effectiveness based on student aptitudes (cognitive processes).
 - Chronbach, 1957
 - Makes intuitive sense popular.

Resurgence in ATI

- RTI tier 3
- Measures of cognitive processes:
 - abilities would predict student outcomes better than CBM (Hale, 2006)
 - Provide data useful for designing interventions (Fiorello et al, 2006; Floyd et al., 2003; Hale et al., 2001).
- Current measures of underlying aptitudes are more sophisticated than those used in Cronbach's research (Swanson, 1987).

Merge Neuropsych and RTI (Feifer, 2008)

- We should assess cognitive constructs such as verbal IQ, executive functioning, working memory, attention, and reading fluency.
- "Specifying the underlying linguistic and cognitive factors associated with poor reading comprehension skills may be helpful toward developing more effective intervention strategies to assist children" (p. 824), especially for those receiving a Tier 3 intervention.

Table 2

Median Effect Sizes for Each Variable

Variable	k	Median g	95% CI	Fail-safe N for a small effect	Fail-safe N for a large effect
Use of data					
Screening	30	.41	.3151	32	15
Designing interventions	4	.42	0589	4	2
Tier of intervention					
Small group	15	.30	.1842	8	9
Individual	16	.44	.2860	19	7
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Reading fluency	11	.43	.29–.57	13	5
Mixed	2	.26	.1240	1	1

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Executive Functioning (EF)

- Jacob and Parkinson (2015) 67 Studies
- Most of studies occurred in 2010 or later
- EF and academic skills are correlated (equal for reading and math)
- Changing skills in EF did not lead to increased skills in reading and math
- No evidence for causal link between EF and reading or math

Working Memory

Melby-Lervag & Hulme, 2012

Verbal Ability .13

Comprehension and problem solving Children (-.05)

young children (.03)

Word Decoding.13

Arithmetic .07

"There was no convincing evidence of the generalization of working memory training to other skills."

Study	Description	k	d
Burnsetal. (inpress)	Academic interventions from cognitive processing measures	37	0.17
Kearns & Fuchs (2013)*	Academic outcomes of cognitively focused intervention matched to cognitive deficits Compared to no intervention	34 5 11	0.44 0.48 0.58
Melby-Lervag& Hhulme, (2013)	Compared to academic interventions Working memory training and academic outcomes mathematics Decoding Verbal ability (comprehension)	34 8 7 7 8	0.26 0.11 0.07 0.13 0.13
Scholin & Burns (2012)	Predicting response to intervention for reading with IQ	18	0.27
Stuebing et al. (2009)	Relationship between IQ and academic outcomes	22	0.32
Stuebing et al. (2015)	Cognitive characteristics and response to intervention baseline characteristics and growthcurves baseline characteristics and gainscores baseline characteristics and posttest	54 36 30 54	0.46 0.65 0.43 0.30
Schwaighofer et al. (2015)	Near and far transfers for working memory training mathematics Decoding Verbal ability (comprehension)	47 15 14 29	0.15 0.09 0.15 0.21
Total	· · · · /	203	0.27

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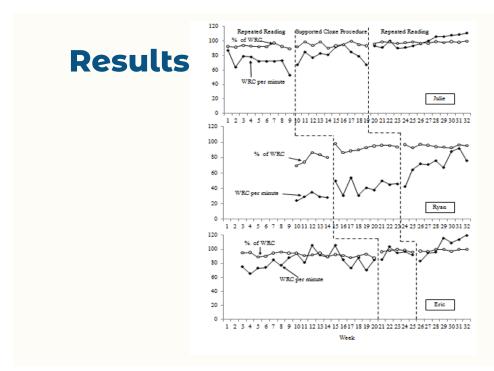
Skill-By-Treatment Interaction

- Burns, Codding, Boice, & Lukito, 2008
- Interventions selected based on student functioning in the specific skill
- Systematically identify and manipulate environmental conditions that are directly related to a problem
- Isolate target skill deficits

Instructional Hierarchy: Stages of Learning

	Acquisition	Proficiency	Generalization	Adaption
Learning Hierarchy	Slow and inaccurate	Accurate but slow	Can apply to novel setting	Can use information to solve problems
Instructional Hierarchy	 Modeling Explicit instruction Immediate corrective feedback 	 Novel practice opportunities Independent practice Timings Immediate feedback 	 Discrimination training Differentiation training 	Problem solvingSimulations

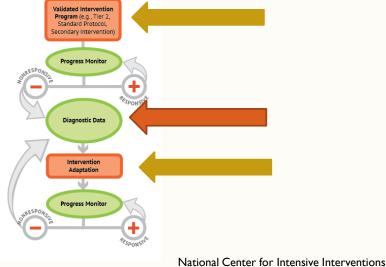
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Learning Process







Problem Analysis

- At the end of the lesson, can the kid do it? (Learn it in the first place?)
- If the kid learns it, does she remember it the next day?
- If she remembers it, can she apply or use it?



Acquire

Validated protocol – different target

Adaption - Acquisition rate or make stimuli more salient and errorless



Retain

Validated protocol -Increased repetition within lesson (IR)

Adaption - Increased repetition across lessons or frequent review

Generalize

Validated protocol – comprehension or application interventions

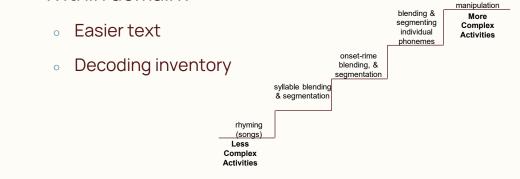
Adaption - Integrate a variety of forms of the letters, words, numbers etc., including those similar to how they are presented during assessment into intervention sessions

Acquire – Not learning it in the first place

- Validated Program Right Target
- Modification Errorless and Salient

Right Target

- Decoding rather than fluency? PA rather than decoding?
- Easier math objective?
- Within domain?



Phoneme deletion &

Acquire – Not learning it in the first place

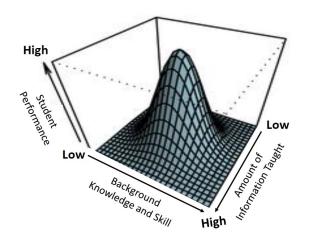
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Errorless - Listening Passage Preview

- 1. Select a passage to student that he/she will read for class
- 2. Present the text and tell him or her that you will read aloud while he or she follows along. This will help him or her read the page better.
- 3. Tell the student to follow along with finger
- 4. Read the text at a comfortable rate while monitoring if child is following
- 5. Have the student read the passage aloud

Errorless - Phrase Drill

- Encourages words by word reading
- Strong error correction technique
- Likely to generalize learned words
- Takes more time than other approaches to error correction



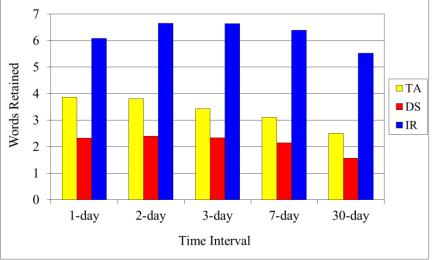
Retention – Not remembering what was learned

- Validated Program Increase repetition within session
 - Incremental Rehearsal
 - Repeated Reading
 - Word Sorts
- Modification Increase repetition across sessions
 - Pocket words
 - Recall practice effect

Incremental Rehearsal

- Developed by Dr. James Tucker (1989)
- Folding in technique
- Rehearses one new item at a time
- Uses instructional level and high repetition





Incremental Rehearsal Effectiveness

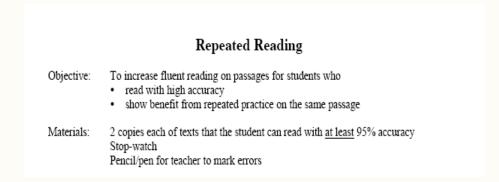
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Repeated Readings

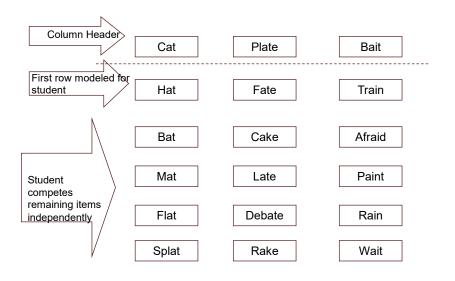
- One of the oldest and most well-researched interventions
- High OTR
- Generalizes to passage and similar ones



Sequence:

- Teacher explains that students will be reading a passage multiple times to work on increasing fluency (fluency is rate <u>and</u> accuracy <u>and</u> expression – not just speed)
- 2. Teacher gives copies of passages to student
- (Optional Step) Student whisper reads passage to him/herself while tracking with his/her finger to figure out unknown words. Students may ask about any unknown words.
- 4. Teacher explains that for the first reading out-loud, the student will read for 1 minute.
- 5. Teacher says "Begin" (not "Start") and starts stop-watch.
- 6. Student reads passage out-loud.
- Teacher marks errors and monitors stopwatch. At one minute, teacher says "Stop" and marks the last word read by the student.
- Teacher records number of correct words per minute and graphs results, showing the graph to the student.
- Teacher provides standard error correction for each word the student read in error. ("That word is ______. What word?" The student repeats the word. Teacher says, "Yes. That word is ______." Student goes back to the beginning of the sentence to begin again.)
- Repeat steps 5-9 at least two more times for a minimum of 3 timed readings (student reads, teacher times, words read correctly are recorded, and errors are corrected). Additional repetitions may be completed if student's fluency continues to improve through these readings.





Retention – Not remembering what was learned

- Validated Program Increase repetition within session
 - Incremental Rehearsal
 - Repeated Reading
 - Word Sorts
- Modification Increase repetition across sessions
 - Pocket words
 - Recall practice effect

Increase Repetition

- Increase number of reads for repeated reading
- More examples in word sorts
- More items in C-C-C and practice sheets

Retention Intervention

- . Short sessions
- . Twice per day
- . Test retention at the end of each day
- . Start with review

Generalization – Not applying what was learned

- Validated Program
 - Concept Map
 - Reciprocal Teaching
- Modification Teach how you want them to use it

Comprehension is affected by

1&2) Background knowledge and vocabulary

- 3) Correct inferences about reading
- 4) Word reading skill
- 5) Strategy use

(Cromley & Azevedo, 2007)

Concept Maps

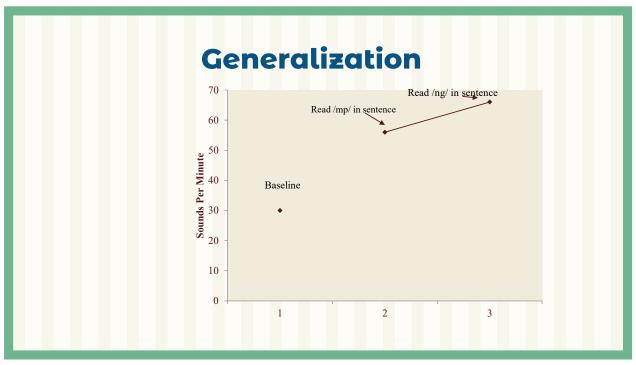
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Generalization – Not applying what was learned

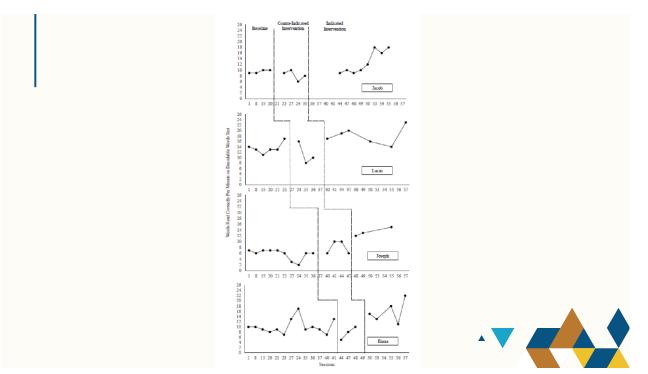
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Generalization

 Integrate a variety of forms of the letters, words, numbers etc., including those similar to how they are presented during assessment into intervention sessions







Tier 2

_	Student	Measure	# of Weeks	Pre BEA	# of Weeks	Post BEA	Change
			Pre BEA	Slope	Post-BEA	Slope	in Slope
-	1	WRC	20	0.25	2	8.00	7.75
	2	WRC	12	-0.64	8	0.55	1.19
	3	WRC	10	1.50	14	1.68	0.18
	4	LSC	22	-0.15	8	0.12	0.26
	5	WRC	6	3.00	8	3.43	0.43
	6	WRC	10	-3.05	9	3.03	6.08
	7	WRC	16	0.07	7	0.46	0.39
	8	WRC	14	0.71	9	2.78	2.07
	9	WRC	8	0.90	8	1.06	0.16
	10	LSC	20	1.32	2	8.00	6.68
	11	WRC	8	-0.25	12	0.08	0.33
	12	WRC	18	0.11	6	1.77	1.66
	13	WRC	18	0.44	6	3.03	2.59
	14	WRC	6	0.00	6	-0.40	-0.40
	15	LSC	22	0.29	9	1.08	0.80
	16	LSC	14	0.82	7	2.93	2.11
	17	LSC	12	0.23	8	2.52	2.30

