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One of the programs included in "Effective Reading Programs..., this program, begun in 1972, serves about 2,200 disadvantaged high school students, most of whom are black or Spanish-speaking, in three New York City high schools. The program's main goals are twofold -- the early identification and remediation of reading disabilities through the use of study skills centers, and ongoing teacher training, stressing on-the-job training of teachers in all content areas. The remedial approach employs reading centers, diagnostic-prescriptive techniques, programmed learning multimedia materials, and individualized contracts. Haterials are self-directing and self-correcting, and students chart their own progress. Training of teachers in the content areas is accomplished by a system of assists: the content area trainee assists a more fully trained teacher in the reading laboratory and is in turn assisted by a master reading teacher in his or her own classroom. At each school, paraprofessionals are trained in workshops, on the job, and in a series of conferences with the reading coordinator. Parents are involved in a variety of ways, including serving on a task force and working as paraprofessionals. (TO/AIR)



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This compilation of field-tested activities and teaching techniques can be used in the various subject area classrooms The High School Reading Skills Sampler is addressed to all content areas, not only to the English classroom. in either large or small groups. Some can be useful for individual students within the class.

STANINES

Stanines are normalized standard scores expressed in a nine-point scale, with a mean of 5 and a standard deviation of 2.

Recommended Reading Grade Level of Materials for Students

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-	COMPREHENSION S	SAMPLER
Level I -	Stanines 1, 2, 3	Stanines 4
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Comprehensions Level II	Stanine 1, 2,	3
Generalizations High school students should be helped in developing facility in the following: 1. Identifying main ideas 2. Understanding role of details in supporting main ideas 3. Grasping literal meanings 4. Establishing sequence 5. Recognizing cause and effect 6. Understanding use of punctuation 7. Anticipating forthcoming events 8. Reaching conclusions and making	Draw a stick figure () on the board. What details do you need to flesh out the stick-figure? Elicit details from the students. Why is it important to know the details?	Play 20 Question each question sh which will help a person. Use ting.
inferences 9. Applying implications to real life The amount of time required for an activity will vary according to the level of the group or individual.	Show a photograph, illustration. Ask the students to identify the who, what, when, where. Be sure the answer is in the picture so that it does not have to be inferred.	Have students we adding the where kernel of a simp as: Mary works. identify the Who-What-Where-When-
It is important to keep in mind that the particular details that are significant will depend on the purpose for reading.	Omitting the headline, reproduce the first sentence of a newspaper article or place it on the board. Have the student identify the who, what, when, and where.	Present a long, sentence to the complete the fol MAIN IDEA Who What
	Using a feature story or anecdote from a newspaper, elicit significant factual information using the same phraseology as that used in the story.	DETAILS Where When Why How
	Same activity as above but the wording of questions should vary from that presented in the material.	Discuss the com
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es 1, 2, 3	Stanines 4, 5, 6	Stanines 7, 8, 9
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o flesh out the stick-	Play 20 Questions. The answer to each question should yield a detail which will help identify an item or a person. Use the board for listing.	Arrange for a visitor to drop into the classroom for a moment. After the visitor leaves, challenge the students to describe the visitor in as much detail as possible. Ask a series of questions about the visit, e.g. was the visitor wearing glasses? How long was his hair? What color were his eyes? etc. Then focus on a purpose and select the relevant details, e.g. it's a new teacher; the person was later found unconscious; a purse is missing, etc.
lustration. dentify the who, e sure the ure so that it nferred.	Have students write a sentence adding the where and when, to a kernel of a simple sentence such as: Mary works. Have them identify the Who	Have students read a detective or mystery story. What details are relevant? Which are irrelevant?
, reproduce the ewspaper article ard. Have the who, what, when,	Present a long, complicated sentence to the students. Have them complete the following chart: MAIN IDEA Who	Present a paragraph which includes in its main idea an abstract term such as democracy. Direct the students to identify the concrete details in the paragraph which give meaning to this idea. Lead them to understand that it
or anecdote from ignificant factual same phraseology tory.	DETAILS Where When Why How	is through the use of details that the abstract is made concrete.
but the wording of from that presented	Discuss the completed charts.	
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If in answer to the question, "What is it all about?" the students respond with details, lead them from the details to the main idea. If they respond with the main idea, have them supply supportive detail.

Punctuation as an aid to

understanding.

Use a picture that shows a clearly demonstrable situation. Ask the students to supply a title.

Cut off the headline and present the lead of a news story for the students to write their own headline. Match student efforts with the original.

Use a column or editorial wr style. Ask the student to f What is the author writing a What point is the author mak What is the proof?(Supportiv

Give the students a one word topic such as school, teenagers, dating, work. Elicit from the students phrases or sentences related to the topic. Then ask them to give you one sentence or phrase that tells you what the sentences are all about (main idea). Any answer that can be substantiated should be accepted. Which sentences are irrelevant?

Choose a sentence in which punctuation plays a major role in meaning. Write the sentence on the chalkboard. Have it read and discuss the change in the meaning of the sentence.

Such sentences as the following may be used:

John, the boy with the red hair, is here.

John. the boy with the rei hair is here.

The door closed by itself. The door closed by itself?

Draw students' attention to punctuated sentence in their Ichabod, who had no relish formidnight companion, and bethe the adventure of Brom Bones ing Hessian, now quickened his hopes of leaving him behind. adapted from The Legend of SI Discuss the meaning of this inote how the punctuation mark clarify the meaning.

Then direct the students to

find a sentence or passage when clarifies the meaning would change the

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>	COMPREHENSION SAMPLERStanines 4, 5, 6	Stanines 7, 8, 9
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clearly sk the		Using the students' textbooks, draw their attention to the headings, sub-headings, and marginal notes. What is their importance and their purpose?
resent or the n head- ts with	Use a column or editorial written in simple style. Ask the student to find out: What is the author writing about? (Topic) What point is the author making?(Main Idea) What is the proof?(Supportive Details)	Select a newspaper or magazine column or editorial. Ask the students to find out: What is the author writing about? What point is being made? What is the proof?
rd topic dating, ents ed to the re you t tells all ver that i be ire		
punctu- n mean- the nd dis- ning	Draw students' attention to a highly punctuated sentence in their reading such as: Ichabod, who had no relish for this strange midnight companion, and bethought himself of the adventure of Brom Bones with the Gallop-	Fresent a short paragraph without any punctuation. Decide on what punctuation marks are needed for the sake of meaning.
wing hair, hair	ing Hessian, now quickened his steed, in hopes of leaving him behind. (Material adapted from The Legend of Sleepy Hollow) Discuss the meaning of this sentence and note how the punctuation marks help to clarify the meaning. Then direct the students to their text to find a sentence or passage where punctuation clarifies the meaning or where the meaning would change the punctuation.	Present a poem of several sentences studied as part of students' literature. Have the students examine the punctuation and discuss the function of each mark used.
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-----Stanines 1, 2, 3-----Level I -----Stanines 1, 2, 3-----

Comprehension

Inferences

Base yourquestions not only on what you can see but on what you can deduce.

Use a situation in the room to show students that they are constantly making inferences. e.g. when someone is wearing glasses, carrying an umbrella, etc. Extend it to situation beyond the classroom such as someone wearing dark glasses.

Use a cartoon. Hetails from whi

and note how the

Write the title of a short story on the board. Select a Sherlo Ask the students what they think the story is mystery. Build about. List their ideas. Read the first sentence or if necessary two sentences. Some of the original ideas listed will be eliminated. Why? Elicit from them that inferences must be substantiated. When the facts change the inferences change.

It is good practice to read the story to the students until the characters, setting and situation are established. Have students complete the story silently. Then refer back to the original inferences they drew. Are they correct?

> Use a play or of ature. Have stu about one of the moods). How do conclusions? He words or phrases

Using T.V. what can you find out about a character in a popular T.V. program from what he/she says or does or from what others say about him/her. Follow the same procedure, leading the students to draw inferences about a character's personality and motivation in a piece of literature.

characteristics. Discuss the info

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What information can be drawn from the use of symbols, such as a flag, the peace sign, a halo, a clown, an electric bulb, in a particular setting?

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to the mood. time



COMPREHENSION	SAMPLER	·
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	Jse a cartoon. Ask students to select details from which inferences can be drawn.	Many of the activities listed for lower stanines may be used here with more complex materials.
think the story is	Select a Sherlock Holmes story or other mystery. Build up the clues as you read and note how they lead to the solution.	Select a piece of prese and a poem having the same theme (e.g. war, alienation, love, etc.). Show how the poem makes use of inferences to make the same point.
d the story to the sers, setting and Have students y. Then refer back they drew. Are		
ind out about a J. program from or from what Follow the same idents to draw ter's personality of literature.	Use a play or other piece of literature. Have students make inferences about one of the characters (attitudes, moods). How do they support these conclusions? Have students list the words or phrases that give them clues to the mood, time, setting, motivation, characteristics.	
rawn from the use g, the peace sign, ric bulb, in a	Discuss the inferences you may draw from an author's inclusion of a particular piece of work of such devices as political, military, or status symbols; the use of atmospheric conditions for foreshadowing and mood setting; or animals representing numan characteristics.	Discuss the use of metaphor, parable, allegory and more complex symbols such as those that pertain to religion, myth, fertility, etc. What inferences can the reader make?
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Sequence can be chronological.

spatial or logical

Level II (-

Tell the punch line of a joke first and then tell the joke. Ask the students why it isn't as funny once you've heard the punch line.

Give students a story in scramble rearrange the pi they can justify effective for a

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Use a common experience such as a fire drill. Ask the students what are the steps in a fire-drill. List responses in the same order as given. Then determine with class the proper order. Teach the students signal words such as before, after, formerly, etc.

Give a paragraph students to rewr events take place of the use of si

Ask students to prepare a list of steps in the proper sequence for organizing a basketball game or for giving a party.

Read a newspaper ing. List the se occurred.

Cause and effect

Demonstrate cause and effect physically, e.g. you bump into a chair and the chair falls over.

Assign the readi the main characte or opinion is ch list the events. that caused this pupils the reason effect.

Choose a simple sentence using a "because" clause, "I go to sleep early because..." Have the students identify the cause and the effect. Then have the students experiment with other signal words - since, therefore, as a result of, consequently, if, then.....

Lead students to cause an event of event or conditi mean that the se e.g. After he cl kitchen lights w



COMPREHENSION SAMPLER ----Stanines 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9--------Stanines 1, 2, 3----Give students a comic script or picture Have the students read a selection in joke first and story in scrambled order. Have them which the author makes use of flashthe students rearrange the pictures in any order that backs. Direct the students to record ce vou ve heard they can justify. (This is particularly the events of the story in the order in effective for a small group activity.) which they happened. such as a fire Give a paragraph with flashback. Ask Make a time line of the sequence of what are the events in a story which uses forestudents to rewrite it in order that the List responses shadowing and/or flashback. events take place. Stress the importance ren. Then of the use of signal words. proper order. ll words such as etc. a list of steps Read a newspaper account of a major happen-Introduce student to stream of for organizing a consciousness by playing association, ing. List the sequence of events as they giving a party. e.g. offer a word such as "date" or occurred. "birthday". Discuss the associations. Assign the reading of a story in which Have students read newspapers and the main character's attitude, personality, magazines to analyze election results fect physically. and see whether there is a cause and or opinion is changed. Have the students list the events, people, times, and places effect relationship between the ir and the chair result and the candidates' race, sex, that caused this change. Discuss with the pupils the reason each of these had an religion, party affiliation, or attitude on crucial issues. effect. Lead students to the conclusion that be-After the reading of a novel, have the using a students write a brief statement of to sleep early cause an event or condition followed another the outcome. Direct them to list under udents identify event or condition, does not necessarily mean that the second was caused by the first this all those events that caused this . Then have the final state. Discuss these with the other signal e.g. After he closed the closet door, the as a result of, students asking them to explain how kitchen lights went out. each event affected the outcome.

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Comprehension Level II		?, 3
Whatever the reading level of the particular student, each of these activities may be suitable, even if the material has to be read to him. High school students should be helped in developing facility in the following critical and	Make up companion sentences such as: 1. His batting average this year is .432. 2. He is the best hitter in the league. How can I determine what is a fact? How can I determine what is an opinion? What is the difference?	Present statems subject made by a statement on Mrs. Jones, a children Mr. Smith, a Dr. Clark, a Have the studement that is muthem explain where the studement that is muthem to under the studement that is muthem the studement that is muthem to under the studement that is muthem to under the studement that is muthem to under the studement the studement that is muthem to under the studement that is muthem to und
interpretive reading skills: 1. Evaluating content in terms of purposes 2. Recognizing the author's purpose 3. Evaluating author's qualifications 4. Judging reliability of information 5. Differentiating between fact and opinion 6. Detecting propaganda 7. Identifying unsupported general- izations and recognizing exaggerations 8. Analyzing persuasive material 9. Projecting thinking beyond author's ideas	Who would be more likely to give more accurate information about writing plays? Why? a playwright an actor a mathematics teacher a play's director	Assign to the a short fiction have them compute following. reference book
Ide as	Find an ad in the newspaper about diamonds. Have students read it. Ask: If you were to go out to buy a diamond, whom and what references would you consult to decide if it's "the real thing"?	

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tences such as: e this year is .432. ter in the league. nat is a fact? nat is an opinion? e?	Present statements on a particular subject made by various people e.g. a statement on tooth decay made by: Mrs. Jones, a mother of three children Mr. Smith, a druggist Dr. Clark, a dentist Have the students select the statement that is most valid and have them explain why they chose that one. Lead them to understand the differences between fact, opinion and informed opinion or expert testimony.	Reproduce an article from the newspaper and have the student note the clue words that sometimes give an indication of sources, or differentiate between fact and opinion. How reliable are the comments introduced by expressions, such as: In my opinion An authoritative source states A usually reliable source states The State Department states A person close to the candidate said
ely to give more about writing	Assign to the students the reading of a short fictionalized biography. Then have them complete a chart similar to the following. Pupils should check reference books for proof of facts. Facts Opinion Proof	Evaluate a news article or magazine article by answering the following questions: Did you notice the dateline or copyright date?(times change) What are the author's credentials? Was he an impartial observer or did he present a particular point of view? Were all sides of the picture presented? Did you confuse opinions with facts? Did you jump to conclusions? Did you refer to other sources?
spaper about ts read it. Ask: t to buy a diamond, ces would you it's "the real		
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Vocabulary

Level II

Generalizations

1. Before using material. teach the essential words only. Limit 10 to a passage, page, or poem.

- Teach vocabulary through a. Context

 - b. Structural analysis c. Providing anecdotes or
 - stories that will help fix words in pupils' minds.
 - d. Use of dictionary
- 3. Provide for retention by:
 - a. mnemonic devices
 - b. repeated oral and written use by teacher and student
 - c. game-like activities for drill: categories crossword puzzles pantomines password charades riddles cryptograms

double acrostics

Draw a circle on the board and ask students what it is. The students can work in groups to see how many ideas they can come up with. After all the possibilities are shared with the whole group, draw in a tennis racket next to the circle (or fill in with facial features) and then ask what the circle represents. Relate this to context.

Write a sentence with a nonsense word.

e.g. Iney went to the grinch to see

Shaft. Ask students to replace the

nonsense word with a word that makes

sense.

-----Stanines 1, 2, 3---

of context and context 1. Synonyms -She was ! occasion

Teach them to make edu

- 2. Antonyms Neither were aff
- 3. Figures of Speech
- h. Definition or expla
- with opulo ing. 6. Summary - The room

5. Description - The

ful. a: 7. Punctuation - Comm

Encourage students to syllable by syllable, syllable division, or recognizable at first

Lead students to see how an author defines a word that he/she knows will be unfamiliar to the reader. Alert them to the use of such words as: is. such, as, or, and the use of the dash or comma as signals that a definition may follow, e.g. The mortality, or number of deaths, from smallpox was once very high.

Have small groups work up word wheels of synonym. antonymi and nomonyms. Hare group share with class.

Draw attention to work meanings.

Involve students in we derivations such as: boycott. sit-in.

VOCABULARY SAMPLER ----Stanines 7. 8, 9----------Stanines 4, 5, 6-----\(\begin{aligned}
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\begin{align ---Stanines 1, 2, 3---To help students understand use of Teach them to make educated guesses on the basis nd ask technical vocabulary, assign various of context and context clues: dents can sport, theatre or stockmarket 1. Synonyms -She was kind or indulgent on every ny ideas articles in newspapers, periodicals. occasion. all the Have them make a list of specialized 2. Antonyms - Neither the rich nor the indigent h the whole words found in these articles. were affected. et next to Discuss the significance of these 3. Figures of Speech - He's in a fine pickle. facial 4. Definition or explanation - He drove the reaper, specialized meanings. This can be the circle a career-oriented activity, perhaps a machine that ontext. in committee. gathers wheat. 5. Description - The people were richly dressed. with many furs and jewels. Their opulent appearance was interesting. 6. Summary - The room was colorful, gay, and cheerful, a convivial environment. 7. Punctuation - Commas. parenthesis Mords Yew to Language - impress class Encourage students to try to sound out a word ense word. that language is alive, well, and syllable by syllable, changing vowel sound, to see constantly changing. Ask class to syllable division, or accent, if the word is not ace the nake a list of words which were not recognizable at first. t makes around when their grandparents were born: e.g. television, stereo, space age words. What other new words can you think of? Make students sensitive to "namebraw attention to word parts and their author calling" and "smear" words that cause nows will meanings. pain to particular groups or Alert individuals: broads, dames, fatso, s as: is. four-eyes. the dash efinition ty, or pox was Take students aware of the use of Involve students in word and phrase rd wheels euphemisms to blunt reality: Memorial derivations such as: rural, bedlam, Watergate, monyms. Park for cemetery; underprivileged boycott, sit-in. for poor; inner-city for slum; bassed away for died. 6 18

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Vocabulary	reast TT-	Stanines 1, 2	., 3
		As unfamiliar words appear in literature or text, encourage students to act them out, e.g. give a "hostile" look; "saunter" across the room, etc.	Assist them in inventing recall.
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		Present a series of sentences to the class containing the word run. 1. She sat motionless, watching the milk run across the grimy tablecloth. 2. Hot water will often cause colored clothing to run in a washing machine. 3. He had the run of the house. 4. She saw a run in her stocking. Have pupils discuss the multiple meanings of this word. Ask the class to use such words as capital, age, party, classical, and indicate the special meanings they have in particular contexts.	Teach them to use the gl in the selection of the applicable in the partic
		·	Present phrases such as "a giant in your washe "cleans like a white t "not a cough in a car Discuss the impact of fi

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anines 1, 2	, 3	←Stanines 7, 8, 9> ←Stanines 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9>
terature et them "saunter"	Assist them in inventing mnemonic devices to aid recall.	Help students become aware of emotionally charged words, negative and positive, that persuade people to adopt particular attitudes and values. This can be tied in with newspapers, propaganda, politics, etc: atheist, bigot, egghead, radical, conservative.
the the lecloth. lored machine. mean- to use y, ial contexts.	Teach them to use the glossary and dictionary, in the selection of the meaning that is applicable in the particular context.	
ERIC	Present phrases such as the following: "a giant in your washer: "cleans like a white tornado" "not a cough in a car load" Discuss the impact of figurative language.	20

	WORK-STUDY	SAMPLER
Level I	Stanines 1, 2, 3	Stanines 4,
Generalizations Level II	(Stanines 1,	2, 3
The work-study skills are aimed at helping the student develop independence in gaining information from printed materials.	Give students an assignment like the following to teach them to read directions all the way through 1. Read the directions all the way through before you start. 2. Place your books in your desk. 3. Place a pencil and paper on your desk.	Have students wri detailed travel d from the school t
Following Directions	 Write your name at the bottom of the sheet. If your name ends with a vowel, print it in capital letters, if not leave this space blank. If today's date is an even number, write it upside down on your paper, if not leave this blank. Do only activities 1 and 2. 	
	Before playing Scrabble, Anagrams, etc., have the students read and describe the directions.	Follow progression that teaches: a. steps in a b. how to asser furniture c. how to use
	Have students fill out various forms: for working papers, social security, driver's license, bank deposit, job application.	
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Stanines 1, 2	, 3	Stanines 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
ike the follow- ections all the he way through desk. on your desk. ttom of the	Have students write out precise and detailed travel directions to get from the school to their home.	Give one student a drawing composed of two or more geometric shapes. Have him/her describe the drawing to the other students who are not allowed to see it. Find out whether other students can reproduce the figure. Have them compare the reproductions with the original.
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n number, write per, if not	·	
2.	-	
rams, etc., scribe the	Follow progression in steps in a chart that teaches: a. steps in a dance b. how to assemble a piece of furniture c. how to use a camera	
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Generalizations Level II 4-		•
Locating Information	To strengthen use of alphabetical order: Play 20 Questions to locate a particular name in a telephone book or an entry word in dictionary.	Consult T.V. Guid and channel of a Tre Jeffersons. (Cross Reference) says see A.M. pro
-	Send student to newspaper. Set up situation: Find a used car. I want to spend \$900.00. What is available? Which makes, models? How old are the cars? What is the mileage? What details are given?	Use index of news information: What articles appear of Crossword Puzzle?
•	Overview of parts of a book: title page, table of contents, body of book, index, glossary. Form two teams to gain speed in using index. Have a competition to see which team can find reference first.	Use the index of to cross reference purpose? What is entry? How does to information?
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	and title, i.e. Principal Male Female Chairpersons Mr. Smith Ms. Troy Mr. Ray Ms. Jones Teachers Paras Secretarial Have students draw a map of a classroom. Measure classroom and devise a scale of inches. Discuss North/South/East/West in relation to the room. Choose symbols for teacher's desk, chair, students' desks, closets, etc. Make a key to read symbols. Have students make a graph of the amount of time they give to different activities on a Sunday, i.e. working, shopping, housecleaning,	Present a table. A a. What is the tit represent? b. What units of m c. What do the col d. What special ex used? e. What is the sig in the table? Present a sample of circle graph. Ask circle graph illust their income (allo same information a line graph. Have of using symbols inst
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Organizing Information	Have students develop an outline using topics and subtopics of various subject areas and teachers' names. Write on board and then place in categories. I. Social Studies A. Ms. Jones B. Mr. Smith C. Mr. Brown II. English A. Mr. Kirk B. Ms. Jones III. Health Education A. Mr. Katz B. Mr. Day	Notetaking techniques. Listen for and note mai examples using words or complete sentences. After the students read following about the selfollowing about the s

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 1	Notetaking techniques. Listen to talk on T.V. Listen for and note main ideas, points and examples using words or phrases rather than complete sentences. After the students read, ask them to fill in the following about the selection: Who What When Why How Then ask students to write a brief summary, preferably one paragraph from their notes.	When information is on more than one topic or comes from more than one source, students may find it helpful to place notes on index cards: Subject: Source of note: (Where did you read this or see it?)
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Each of these devices may be of help to some students.	Have student inspect a picture. Remove the picture and ask for a list of things in the picture. Then compare list with picture.	Provide mnemonic de to develop their ow e.g. Thirty days ha (here), their (heir
	Use memory games with meaningful material: e.g., Concentration	For students who ar helpful to encourage of a concept or a s
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	Supplement your multiple choice and true- false questions, which call only for recognition, with completion or other type of questions that require recall.	
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ngful i	For students who are visually minded it is helpful to encourage them to sketch a diagram of a concept or a situation.	2. chronological sequence 3. description - illustration 4. relation of details to main idea 5. building to a climax or	
emember. essages or	Outlining, notetaking, summarizing, under- lining, marginal notes can serve as aids to understanding. Because they involve writing as well as seeing, they can also serve as aids to memory. Further, they can serve as the basis for review.	conclusion Ask students to list all the trees they can think of. Then jog their memories by suggesting that they list fruit trees, trees used for furniture, shade trees, evergreens,	
t attention distract- dream or d to develop	For some students, reciting to oneself while studying serves as an aid to memory. As an illustration of how seeing patterns can	etc.	
ing initial of intensive short riods of	help recall, write the following on the board: 3621492263 Cover it and ask class to reproduce number. Then uncover and allow class to look at it for one minute. See if anyone has found a pattern	SQ3R for some students. In reviewing a chapter read in preparation for an examination, use a study formula such as SQ3R, e.g. S - surveys the chapter title,	
estions, s, without material.	to help him/her recall the number. Then show how the number can be divided into groups which are readily recalled: 362 1492 263 Cover it and ask if they can reproduce it now.	topic and subtopic headings to pick up the main ideas of the chapter Q - turns the topic into a question give direction to the reading R - rapidly reads the material to	
ce and true- nly for pr other type ill.	[12]	answer questions and fill in information R - recites or recalls the answers to questions at the end of the chapter R - reviews the material by constructing an outline for further study or by writing a summary	

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The first priority is comprehension. For some students, this means slowing down their rate of reading. For others, this means learning to adapt their speed to the purpose for which they are reading and the complexity of the material.

Have students put fingers on lips or throat to make them aware of movements which slow the reading rate. Occasionally biting on a pencil is helpful to alert the student.

Have students re selection silent by a series of r Have students no them to complete

Give practice in reading phrases. Try to increase student's eye span by cutting out a two inch slot on an index card. Give the student a column of phrases to read aloud as he/she moves down the page.

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As used here, scanning refers to the skill of looking over material quickly to find an answer to a particular question using visual clues, for example, capital letters, numerals, dollar signs, quotation marks. Present easily comprehended narmative selection. Go over with students, marking off phrases, i.e. Early, this morning/ Jennifer left home/ to look for/a job.
Have students practice moving eyes and thoughts smoothly from phrase to phrase.

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Skimming refers to rapid reading for the purpose of getting the general idea of a selection.

Tave students place a blank sheet of paper on an index card above a paragraph in a text or magazine. Have them read silently as quickly as they can, moving the paper down after finishing the line. Let them answer simple general questions without going back to look.

Draw attention to "key words" by having students write a 10 word telegram, drawing the information from a long sentence or paragraph. Then reverse the activity having students write a paragraph from a telegram.





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lips or throat to ents which slow lly biting on a he student.	Have students read a 300-word nonfiction selection silently and test comprehension by a series of multiple choice questions. Have students note the time it takes for them to complete the task. If the comprehension is satisfactory,	Alert students to chapter titles, headings of chapter divisions, marginal notes and boldface and italics. Author's signals can increase speed of scanning and skimming.
ases. Try to by cutting out card. Give the to read aloud e.	challange students to do a like task on the <u>same</u> level more quickly. Eggtimers are useful motivations. There should be no loss in comprehension. Gradually build up the level of difficulty carefully monitoring the comprehension. Have students record their rate and comprehension score on a graph to visualize progress.	Give students one minute to look over either a textbook chapter, an article in the encyclopedia, or a magazine piece, in order to find out if the article will yield information enabling them to answer a question about a particular topic. Discuss what clues they used.
narrative nts, marking off rning/ Jennifer b. g eyes and e to phrase.	Have students scan a newspaper or article for specific names of people and places. Lead students to awareness that capital- ization is a clue. Be sure that language in questions and answers is identical.	Have students skim to compare important ideas in related articles, e.g. two or three authorities on same subject (Civil War).
sheet of paper agraph in a text silently as the paper down t them answer hout going back		For the students for whom comprehension is not a problem in a particular piece of material, teach the speed reading technique of forcing the eye to move down the center of the page.
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uch of reading involves logical think-ing.

High School students should be helped in distinguishing fact from opinion, and inductive from deductive reasoning; in weighing evidence from personal experience and research, detecting fallacious reasoning and recognizing propaganda techniques. Some of these are discussed in connection with comprehension and vocabulary.

These exercises attempt to have the students detect the fallacies in the statements.

All examples should be presented in writing to prevent the misunderstanding that can come from mishearing.

Write a list of foods but throw in one or two items of clothing. Ask students which ones don't belong. Why? Try a list with less obvious "misfits".

What is wrong with this statement, if anything?

"I feel that I should pass that course because I always do my homework."

What is wrong with this statement, if anything?

"Roast beef is expensive so don't make it well done."

What is the error in reasoning?

"It's my turn to play; after all it is my house."

What is the error in reasoning?

"I failed my geometry test and my father wouldn't let me go to a party last night and he wouldn't let me watch T.V. either. He never wants me to have fun."
What is the error in reasoning?

"Have you stopped hitting your brother?"
(Try to get the student to see that this is a more complex question than appears on

What is the error in reasoning?

(Present this as a pair)

the surface.)

Too many cooks spoil the broth.

Many hands make light work.

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poil the broth. light work. nts cancel each other out? What do you suppose is meant by arguing in circles? Ask students to come up with examples and then have them find the error.

What other types of the following arguments can you think of?

- appeal to pity
- hasty generalization
- guilt by association
- involved use of statistics
- domino theory

Place the following syllogisms on the board.

Jane plays basketball
Boys play basketball
Therefore Jane is a boy.
What is the error in this type of reasoning?

All squares have 4 sides
All rectangles have 4 sides
Therefore all rectangles are squares.

Why is this wrong? What would you have to change to make it correct? Why? (Geometry is an exercise in logic)

Present the following:
What is the relationship, if
any, between the use of the
atom bomb and the change in
the weather?
What arguments can you marshall
for each side?
Go to the library to read, take
notes, summarize materials and
present arguments to class.

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Tell the story of the Six Blinck
Men and the Elephant.
To refresh your memory: Each
one felt the elephant and reported the finding to the
group. The one who felt the
leg said it felt like a tree
tail......rope
trunk.....snake
ear....leaf
side.....leaf
side.....wall
tusk....spear

Present the following problems or similar ones.

Why was each report false?

- 1. Why does the chicken cross the road?
- 2. Why do firemen wear red suspenders?
- 3. A truck driver is driving his truck. He comes to the entrance of a tunnel and the sign says "Clearance 10'9". His truck is 11' high. How is he going to get through the tunnel?
- 4. A father and son are in an auto accident. The father is killed and the boy is taken to the hospital. The surgeon looks at the boy and exclaims. "It's my son!"

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INTRODUCTION

This manual has been developed as part of the continuing effort to guarantee the right to read to every student in school.

Of the many methods that have been used to meet the varied remedial needs of the older students, the diagnostic-prescriptive approach is the most effective means of individualizing instruction. It has been utilized in the learning environment known as the reading laboratory or the reading skills center in many of the secondary schools in New York City. It has been found effective because it provides a method of organization that allows the teachers to remediate the problems of students who range from non-readers to those two years below grade level.

The purpose of this manual is to aid the reading teacher in individualizing reading instruction by organizing a reading laboratory. It is a practical guide dealing with the following areas: philosophy; identification of students; diagnostic methods and instruments; organization and management; and self-evaluation.

In addition there is a chapter providing a compendium of the reading process and a chapter suggesting ways of building bridges to the content areas for the development of a total school effort in the teaching of reading.

Each of the first three chapters begins with a check-list designed to help the teacher identify specific topics within each area. The fourth chapter is an actual calendar checklist which can be followed at the beginning of each term.



THE READING LABORATORY

The individualized reading skills center is often equated with the reading laboratory because of the special equipment for an individualized and sometimes experimental approach to the teaching of reading. This chapter will answer the following checklist of questions dealing with the philosophy, methodology, climate and management of a reading laboratory.

1.	Am I familiar with the philosophy behind a reading laboratory?	
2.	Can I create a different, exciting or unusual climate?	
3.	Do I have a separate room in which to set up my laboratory?	
4.	Is there movable furniture in the room?	
5.	Is there adequate storage space?	
5.	Are there areas for small groups and for individual work?	

Philosophy and Methodology:

The Reading Laboratory subscribes to the philosophy of a diagnosticprescriptive approach to the teaching of reading skills. Such an approach presupposes that each student in the reading program will be:

- diagnosed to determine strengths and weaknesses in specific skills areas
- provided an instructional program determined on the basis of diagnostic findings
- 3. permitted to progress at his own rate, and to utilize his particular learning style and interest
- 4. permitted to progress at his own rate, with minimal regard to competition with his peers



- 5. encouraged to be an active rather than a passive participant in the learning process
- 6. permitted to participate in an approach to acquiring basic reading skills which require self-directing, self-teaching, self-correcting activities
- 7. provided the opportunity of <u>immediate feedback</u> regarding his performance in a particular skills area
- 8. given the opportunity to share in the decision making process as it relates to his particular needs and interests
- 9. free to seek the support of the classroom or reading teacher in helping to define his particular needs
- 10. given the option of selecting from a variety of materials which are geared to teach specific skills
- 11. provided opportunities for interacting with his peers and for seeking help from them as needed



Climate

The climate established in a reading laboratory is crucial. The student comes into a new setting, one much freer than his structured classroom. The physical set-up, alone, is different. How will the student function in this new setting? It is the teacher who sets the tone of the laboratory - notice it is not a classroom. Here the teacher may run into difficulty, for there must be a shift from traditional, teacher-directed, large-group instruction to self-directed learning by individual pupils and small groups. The atmosphere of the laboratory is open, friendly and helpful. The students must sense this tone immediately if they are to stay and work independently, each at an individual pace.

It is open: the student himself is responsible for all his work and must know what he is doing at all times. He alone is responsible for his success. There are many materials and all of them are for his use. The teacher shows students how to use them. Students enjoy the freedom to walk-around the room but they have a purpose—to choose material, to look up the meaning of a word, to get an answer sheet, to ask a question.

It is friendly: students can work independently or in small groups. Here students see other students with similar problems helping each other. A small group reading a play aloud seems more social than educational. Playing a game of scrabble produces the same effect. The students realize that while seemingly competing, they actually help each other.

It is helpful: this is the most important. The laboratory will help students learn to read. The approach, the tone, the materials, the individualization - all of these will lead the pupil to realize that he can overcome his reading deficiencies.



A Separate Room

It is essential to have a separate room in which to set up your laboratory. The teaching strategy employs a wide range of materials.

Obviously some schools will need more than one room—but let's start simple.

Essentials:

- 1. Movable furniture
- 2. File cabinets
- 3. Storage closets
- 1. Movable furniture is an absolute necessity in a reading laboratory for small group work or for the student who wants to work alone. You can have a few desks together and some single desks around the room.

 There is no one set-up; it can always be changed.
- 2. Another necessity is file cabinets. These are used to store students' folders and tests. Each reading class coming into the laboratory should have a drawer in which student folders are kept.
- 3. The last absolute is adequate storage space (closets, cabinets, etc.)
 Where are you going to put the materials until they are to be used?
 Things have a way of leaving the laboratory.

The arrangement of furniture in the room is quite arbitrary. Some people will find helpful having groups of 6, 4, 2 and a few single desks for the loners. The desks should be set up so small group work can be done. Six small desks together make a nice students' conference table. Ideally, materials should be arranged by skill around the room and displayed attractively. (Refer to the diagram on page 7). If your room is not large, specific skill areas are not necessary - as long as all material is displayed and easily accessible for student use. A reading corner established near the classroom library and magazine shelves with a rug, an easy chair or two, even a coffee urn, can make a great difference.



Let your students feel that the room is theirs. The first days of the term can be spent in involving students in decorating the room with posters and plants according to their desires.

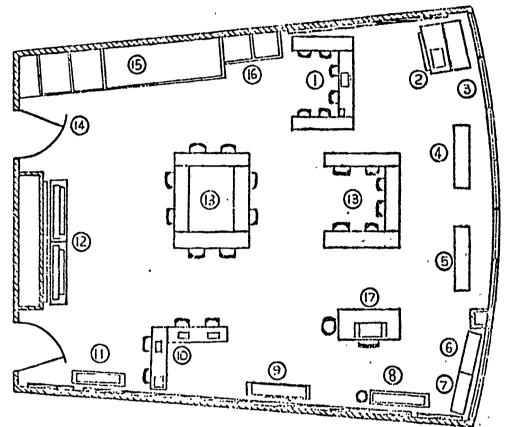
If possible, put the teacher's desk in an alcove sheltered by bookcases or files to achieve privacy and thus provide a conference area.

Your laboratory is now physically ready to be used.



THOMAS A. EDISON VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

READING SKILLS CENTER*



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LEGEND

- 1. Controlled Reader
- 2. SRA
- 3. File Cabinets
- 4. The Way It Is
- 5. Urban Reading
- 6. Scope Hagazines
- 7. Dictionaries
- 8. The Name of the Game
- 9. Skills Area

- 10. Cassette Players
- 11. Comprehension Area
- 12. Library Books
- 13. Work-Study Area.
- 14. Doors
- 15. Wardrobes
- 16. Closets
- 17. Teachor's Desk

* The center was set up by Ms. Romaine Clunan with the assistance of Mr. Clarence Cornelienson, Chairman of Academic Studies.



HOW DO I KEEP TRACK OF EVERYTHING AND EVERYONE?

Since there are many varied activities and materials in a reading laboratory, the teacher must set up a system to keep track of the work and to supervise and administer the laboratory efficiently in three key areas:

The laboratory must be organized for a smooth flow of activities.

The students must have a system of recordkeeping.

The teacher must have a system of recordkeeping.

A handy checklist has been devised to focus on the specific management tasks covered in the chapter. Samples of various recordkeeping devices will be included and explained.

CHECKLIST

The	Center Must be Organized for a Smooth Flow of Activities
1.	Materials should be permanently arranged.
2.	A guide to locate materials should be available.
3.	A taxonomy of materials should be compiled so that task
	assignments can be quickly prescribed.
4.	Uniform answer sheets should be conveniently accessible
	to the class.
5.	Wall charts of student progress should be displayed.
6.	Periodic housekeeping must be done.
7.	Answer keys for all materials must be available.
The	Student Must Have a System of Recordkeeping
1.	An individual student work folder.
2.	An assignment card or sheet.
3•	A library card with provision for comments.
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5•	A conversion table to figure percentages.	-	
The	Teacher Must Have a System of Recordkeeping		
1.	A profile card for each student.	_	
2.	An anecdotal record for each student.	~ -	•
3•	A class profile sheet.		
4.	A class data sheet for pre- and post- test results.	-	
5.	A reading attitude inventory.	_	

Materials Should Be Permanently Arranged

Inherent to the reading laboratory is a wide variety of reading materials that could be organized conveniently into three broad areas:

Word Attack Skills

Materials dealing with phonetic and structural analysis
Reading Comprehension

Materials of literal, interpretative and critical reading skills Work Study Skills

In addition to this type of organization, a skills center usually has a <u>media corner</u> where audio-visual hardware and software are utilized and stored; a <u>library corner</u> containing a wide variety of paperbacks, news-papers, and magazines; a <u>content-area corner</u> with copies of textbooks and shop manuals used at the school.

It is important that the areas be clearly defined so that everyone can locate materials quickly.

A Guide to Help Every Student Easily Locate Materials

There are several methods that can help students to retrieve materials quickly.



- 1. Each set of materials is numerically coded. A guide sheet is provided for each student in the class or is posted in various locations throughout the room. When the student is assigned by code to the material, she can easily find it by looking for the coded kit. Refer to Exhibit 1, page 17.
- 2. In addition to coding the kits, signs may be posted in the key sections of the room. For example, the following sign may be prominently displayed in the reading comprehension area:

Reading Comprehension Materials
12, 14, 18, 21, 28, 30, 45, 58

It indicates that eight different kinds of materials are located there.

3. If storage space is a problem, students' lockers may be useful. They too can be coded with signs listing the materials stored therein. Of course, closet shelves can similarly be transformed for easy retrieval of material.

A Taxonomy

A guide to reading materials has been prepared for the high school reading laboratory. Material has been classified by skill in the following areas: Beginning Reader, Phonics, Vocabulary, Comprehension and Study Skills. The level of the material is graded Easy (4.5 or below), Medium (4.5 - 6.0) or Hard (6+). The reading teacher will find it a handy reference for prescribing materials after she has diagnosed the needs of her students. Refer to Exhibit 2A and 2B, pages 18 and 19.

Answer Sheets

Kits have different configurations of answer sheets designed for specific question patterns, and many of them include a supply of answer sheets with the original purchase. However, ordering additional answer sheets could

become a problem, and we have included a sample all-purpose answer sheet which you may find helpful. It has provision for 25 short answers and 25 long sentence answers as needed. The sheets should be placed in a convenient location in the room, easily accessible to students. Refer to Exhibit 3, page 20.

Answer Keys

Without answer keys for the different materials in the reading laboratory, life for the teacher can become somewhat chaotic. Not only is it important to remember to order them with your purchases, but a wise precaution would be to duplicate copies for the center.

There are a number of ways to make them accessible to students:

- -1. Answer keys may be placed in the same area as the students' materials.
- 2. Some materials can be organized into a kit format. For example, Barnell-Loft Skills Builders pages can be separated and stapled to cards. The answers for them could then be provided on the back of the card.
- 3. All answer guides may be stored alphabetically in a filing cabinet which is available to all of the students.
- 4. Answer keys may also be posted on bulletin boards or scotch-taped to the walls throughout the room.
- 5. Duplicate copies of answer sheets may be kept in a loose leaf book in a convenient location.

Periodic Housekeeping

A paraprofessional or teacher assistant would be very helpful in keeping the reading laboratory organized. Lacking this assistance, high school teachers must plan for periodic housekeeping. Student assistants may be identified to "clean up" during the course of each period or at the end of the day.



Disorganization results from two very common problems: Students

conveniently file kit components in their folders or they carelessly misfile the components. The class should be encouraged to form good habits, which will require persistent teacher guidance. The best learning for students will occur when they begin searching for misfiled materials and make their own demands for order. It's all part of "growing up".

Student Work Folder

It is desirable for each student to have a folder for her work. As it grows in size, it serves as a concrete record of her accomplishments.

In addition to the worksheets, the teacher may want to include other items:

- 1. a student assignment card
- 2. a progress chart
- 3. a record of the student's independent reading
- 4. other relevant records (including scores and diagnostic profiles)

The folders should be alphabetically arranged for each reading class.

By numbering each alphabetized grouping, it will be easy to keep them in order.

Many students like to personalize their folders with colorful art work.

This interest may serve as a springboard when introducing the folder system.

The Assignment Card or Sheet

An assignment card must be provided for each student in the class. It usually includes the following categories:

- 1. The name or code number of the material
- 2. The specific objective
- 3. The assignment pages
- 4. The percentage score
- 5. The date completed



Exhibits 4, page 21 and 5, page 22 are the most common forms used in the high schools.

The following suggestions should be of assistance in using the assignment card:

- 1. Refer to the taxonomy of materials to identify those which are best suited for the student.
- 2. Do not assign work from more than two or three different materials at the beginning.
- 3. Initially make at least five assignments, rotating the materials.

 Refer to sample <u>D</u> and note how a pattern evolves on the sample assignment card.
- 14. For each card, program the assignments in groups. For example, program all of the Barnell-Loft skill on following directions; then the Be A Better Reader workbook skills.
- 5. Continually make assignments for each youngster after you have worked with her and assessed the value of the material. Elicit her comments about the effectiveness of the material and implement her requests.
- 6. Allow for a wide variety of options for the youngster because the same skill can be taught by various materials and their effectiveness will depend on the student's preference and learning style.

The Library Card or Library Sheet

The library card is designed to encourage extensive reading by enabling the student to list and comment upon the books she is reading. The comments do not have to be elaborate, but the teacher can use her judgment about whether she wants a simple code such as <u>difficulty</u>, <u>easy</u>, <u>interesting</u>, <u>very interesting</u> or a comment of sentence length. The size of the library card will have to be adjusted accordingly. The card should be kept in the



student folder, but for added convenience a library sheet may be stapled inside the folder. Refer to Exhibit 6, page 23.

Progress Charts

Progress Charts are devised to help the youngster map her achievement in overcoming a specific deficiency. They are usually structured according to the question patterns of specific material. A student may have a progress chart for each of several reading skills that may have been assigned to her.

The sample progress chart has the following components:

- 1. The student's name
- 2. Identification of the specific skill task
- 3. Lesson number and date on the horizontal axis
- 4. Number correct-percent correct on the vertical axis

The student may be given a choice of using a bar graph, line graph or box graph. By plotting results, the students concretely demonstrate their progress. Refer to Exhibit 7, page 24.

Conversion Table

A conversion table provides percentages for recording the results of assignments. The sample copy, should be duplicated and either made available in each folder or posted in several places in the reading laboratory. The teacher should plan one training session for all students to learn to use it. Afterwards, he can assign student "specialists" to help teach other students who are having difficulty with the table. Refer to Exhibit 8, page 25.

The Profile Card

The Profile card summarizes salient information about the student's reading skills, achievement, test scores, programmed reading classes, and



personal and educational factors. It is a record card which can be used from term to term, and is filed in a central location for reference by all reading teachers. Refer to Exhibit 9, page 26.

Anecdotal Record of Reading Progress

The anecdotal record card is a summary card used only for the term.

It may contain information about the tests administered to each student and a personalized list of skills in which the student needs information. Refer to Exhibit 10, page 27.

It may be a little more elaborate and contain the student's major interests, list of books read during the term, and teacher evaluation and recommendations. It may be passed on to the next reading teacher to indicate the specific materials used. Refer to Exhibit 11, page 28.

Class Profile Sheet

The class profile sheet is a group recordkeeping device for the teacher, recording the test performance of the group for a specific number of key reading sub-skills. It is an invaluable aid for arranging group work and determining specific teaching strategies for the term.

The sample class profile identifies six broad areas with pertinent subskills. Each of these areas can be made into a single profile sheet for a specific group of students. Refer to Exhibit 12, pages 29, 30 and 31.

Class Data Sheet

The class data sheet can be useful to the reading coordinator who must compile information for evaluation and programming students. The teacher should file pre-post test results for each of the reading classes. Refer to Exhibit 13, page 32.



Reading

Attitude Inventory

The sample checklist for observing and evaluating attitudes toward reading may also be useful in laboratory centers. The teacher list the names of the students across the top and indicates with a + or - the presence of the attitude under consideration.

It may be included as part of the teacher's anecdotal record for each child or may duplicate an index card. Refer to Exhibit 14, page 33.



HIGH SCHOOL: PRINCIPAL:

DEPARTMENT: CHAIRMAN:

READER CENTER DAILY ACTIVITIES

- 1. S. R. A. II A
- 2. S. R. A. III A
- 3. Springboards
- 4. Scope Magazine
- 5. Reading for Meaning
- 6. Reading for Understanding (R F U)
- 7. Building Reading Power
- 8. Educational Development Laboratory Filmstrips for <u>Tachistoscope</u>
- 9. Educational Development Storybooks for <u>Controlled Reader</u>
- 10. The Way It Is
- 11. The Name of the Game
- 12. Be a Better Reader (Reading Skills and Content Area Skills)
- 13. Contact: Law
- 14. Library Visit (Reluctant Reader Libraries)*
- 15. Individual Guided Reading (Ethnic Reading Kit)
- 16. Other Workbooks
- 17. Phonic Workbooks
- 18. Games (Vowel Lotto, Consonant Lotto, Rolling Cubes, The Syllable Game)
- 19. _____
- 20. _______
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- * Can refer to the school library



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Exhibit 2A

From High School Reading Taxonomy: A Guide to Materials (compiled by N.Y.C. Right to Read Program)

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SAMPLE ASSIGNMENT CARD

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Code	Objective	Assignment	Score	Date Completed							
	 										
											

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1	Word Analysis	BK A p 104		
7D_	Main Ideas			
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8D	Context Clues	BK D Ex 4		
7D	Main Ideas			
1	Word Analysis	BK A p 105		
	Your Choice			

There are 12 assignments on this card. Note that for this student, there are only three different commercial materials. The difficulty will be increased, as she masters them, or they will be changed if they don't work, or if the student does not like them.



SAMPLE ASSIGNMENT SHEET

HIGH SCHOOL: PRINCIPAL:

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

CHAIRMAN:

READING CENTER WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

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Exhibit 8

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Exhibit 13

ATTITUDE SCALE - 1 Excellent, 2-Good, 3-Average, 4-Poor, 5-Very Poor

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Exhibit 14

Inventory of Growth in Attitudes Toward Reading

Does she anticipate reading periods with pleasure? (Does she come to class? Does she come on time?)	
Does she use books frequently during free periods?	
Does she find opportunities for reading at home?	
Does she read newspapers and magazines?	
Does she show interest in reading a variety of books?	
Does she read for information?	
Does she usually finish the books she starts?	
What kinds of books does she like best?	
Does she make frequent use of the school or public library?	
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WHO ARE MY STUDENTS AND HOW DO I FIND OUT ABOUT THEM?

Checklist

Am I aware that diagnosis involves more than reading skills and	
abilities?	
Do I know and make use of all avenues of pertinent information	
about my students?	
Do I know why and when to administer specific tests, formal	
and informal, silent and oral?	
a screening test	
a quick placement test	·
a group diagnostic test	
an informal reading inventory	<u>- </u>
an oral test	
a phonics inventory	
an individual diagnostic	<u> </u>
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Do I base my diagnosis on a pattern of scores rather	
than on any one measure?	
Do I make sure to write down results and make them	
available to the appropriate persons involved with	
the student including the student?	

Who are they?

The tall withdrawn boy was a registered freshman but he could barely fill out his Delaney card and had been cutting all his classes. The bubbly sixth term college-bound girl was having trouble with <u>The Scarlet Letter</u> in English though she was doing fairly well in chemistry.

Both of them were students in the same high school reading laboratory.



Both of them were there because they did not read as well as they could.

They -- and the others in the reading laboratory -- were programmed for reading on the basis of reading scores on their cumulative record, on failures in subject area classes, on recommendations of a teacher or guidance counselor -- or on a plea for help from the students themselves.

Strangely enough, the illiterate boy was programmed for reading because he himself, after weeks of truancy from a "regular" program, went to his official teacher and asked for help. There was no reading score on his record; he had managed, of course, to be absent for scheduled tests. He was interviewed by the reading coordinator, tested informally with a very simple reading passage, and programmed for several daily periods of reading as well as other non-reading subjects--gym, art, music, shop. In reading, he started from the beginning, with an "adult" basal reader.

The outgoing junior came to reading laboratory through her guidance counselor because of a reading score below 8.0 on her cumulative record and inadequate performance in English. She was given another Metropolitan test and scored an average of 7.2 with both vocabulary and comprehension hovering around that level. She was programmed to spend half her lunch hour in the laboratory several days a week. An item analysis of her Metropolitan Achievement Test paper indicated two areas in which she apparently needed help--vocabulary in context and inference. A discussion with her confirmed these as possible problems and she was given her choice of materials to remediate those sub-skills. Since it had been relatively hard to convince her that she needed help, the reading teacher was careful to provide materials that were helpful and sufficiently challenging.

The students in the reading laboratory thus can range from the non-reader to a student with high potential who for one reason or another is not functioning at capacity.



How do I find out about them?

Reading instruction must be based on a diagnosis of the student's unique reading needs and personal characteristics.

- 1. Diagnosis is always purposeful, always directed towards planning for improvement, and thorough enough to initiate remediation. In the reading laboratory, one concentrates not on causes but rather on those things that can be remedied.
- 2. Diagnosis involves more than reading skills and abilities:
 - a. background
 - b. previous schooling
 - (1) attendance
 - (2) performance in other subject areas
 - (3) potential
 - c. interests
 - (1) hobbies
 - (2) vocational goals
 - (3) work experiences
 - d. attitudes and behavior patterns
 - (1) peer group relations
 - (2) reaction to authority
 - (3) motivation
 - (4) attitude toward school
 - (5) attitude toward reading
 - (6) distractability
 - (7) persistence
 - (8) self-confidence
 - (9) reaction to new situations



- e. health
 - (1) vision
 - (2) hearing
 - (3) speech
 - (4) coordination
 - (5) fatigue
 - (6) general condition
- f. learning style strengths and weaknesses
 - (1) discrimination (visual and auditory)
 - (2) modality preference (way in which student learns most easily)

visual (seeing)

auditory (listening)

kinesthetic (writing)

tactile (tracing)

(3) instructional preference

individual-tutorial

small group

large group

- (4) memory span (visual, auditory, kinesthetic, tactile)
- (5) attention span
- g. language patterns
 - (1) first language
 - (2) language spoken in home
 - (3) vocabulary
 - (4) sentence structure
 - (5) oral comprehension



3. Diagnosis is based on a pattern of scores rather than on any one measure. Even when it is an accurate gauge of the student's ability to take that particular test, one standardized score rarely gives enough information with which to diagnose and prescribe. An analysis of one standardized test, combined with teacher observations, may give a clue on where to start.

The score on an appropriate standardized achievement test should provide the highest level at which he can function, the student's frustration level. Achievement on the subskill score is the significant factor. Instruction, as a general rule, should be started one year below the grade level score on the reading test, and material selected for independent reading should be one year below the instructional level. An examination of the test itself may give further clues to the teacher on the student's problems. Reading rate rather than inability to understand, for instance, may account for lowering a comprehension score.

The standardized screening test should be supplemented by a diagnostic tool of one type or another. The diagnostic instrument may be group or individual, written or oral, formal or informal, dependent on the needs of the student and skills of the teacher.

4. Diagnosis is continuous and interwoven with treatment. The student's needs are revised constantly on the basis of his performance as well as by use of standardized tests. Factors such as student's oral use of language, reluctance to read aloud, errors made during a group play reading, the workbook exercises completed, attitude about his work, quality of the completed work and many others must be



observed and taken into account by the teacher.

5. The diagnosis is recorded and disseminated for the use of all those involved with the student, including the student.

Sources of Information

Apart from the formal and informal reading tests, the reading teacher may make use of many avenues of information for a diagnosis.

- a. Cumulative records
 - (1) past reading scores
 - (2) language background
 - (3) speech remediation, patterns
 - (4) attendance record
 - (5) interests
 - (6) achievement in subject area (note math especially)
- b. Health records
- c. Anecdotal records
- d. Referrals
- e. Conferences
 - (1) student
 - (2) subject area teacher
 - (3) guidance
 - (4) nurse
- f. Inventories, checklists, and scales
 - (1) behavior
 - (2) attitude
 - (3) interests



WHY THEST

INSTRUMENT

AND AFTERWARD?

I. a. Screening to determine whom to schedule for laboratory To get pre-and postscores for group evaluation

b. To measure initial growth in

II. To get a quick assessment of attitudes, interests, background

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- a. Metropolitan Achievement Test or other designated standardized test
- b. Follow up with appropriate
 level (intermediate or
 elementary) if initial
 score is below 5

Attitude Questionnaire or Scale Interest Inventory Exhibit #2, Page 45) a. Word List such as Harris, Slosson, San Diego (See sample word list Exhibit #3,4 Pages 46, 47-50) b. Botel Rdg. Inventory

vious formal test score is

available

To get a quick assessment of grade level if no pre-

III.

- . Botel Rdg. Inventory
 Word Vocab. (below 4)
 Word Oppos. (4+)
 . Wide Range Vocabulary
 - c. Wide Range Vocabulary
 d. Spire Quick Placement
 I Grade Primer 6
 II Grades 4-10

- a. Scores reveal frustration level. Weighing comprehension subscore heavily, schedule students for remediation according to capacity of the reading labs and established priorities (seniors or freshmen, below 5 or below 8 first, etc.)
- b. Test score is one measure of reading growth. If it is unsatisfactory, examine answer sheet, check rate and analyze test items to determine specific difficulties. (See MAT Item Analysis -- Exhibit #1, Pages 43, 44)
- II. Teacher should build on information about language background and interests to direct student toward material of interest when possible, whether for skill building or pleasure reading. In grouping for instruction, teacher should take into account student's attitude toward authority, toward peers.
- III. Lists determine ability to read words in isolation and indicate level for further testing, formal or informal, silent and/or oral. Low level points to need for more detailed analysis of word attack skills, visual and auditory discrimination, and retention.

*(Prepared by Muriel Mandell for the New York City Right to Read Project)

- IV. To get group profiles of reading weaknesses and strengths
- V. a. To get an estimate of a student's levels of reading in an individualized, unthreatening setting
- b. To verify other reading scores
- c. To analyze methods of word attack
- VI. To pinpoint specific sound-symbol problems

California Reading Test
(Jr. H.S. 5+)
(Elem. to 5.5)
Stanford Diagn.
(Level I below 5)
(Level II to grade 8)

- Spache Diagnostic Scales
 Durrell Diagnostic
 Gates McKillop Gray Oral
 Spire
 Teacher-made informal
 Reading Inventory
 (See sample informal
 Exhibit #5, Pages 51-57.
- a. Group
 Phonics Inventory
 (See sample, Exhibit 6, page 58)
 Botel Phonics Mastery
- b. Individual
 Roswell-Chall (below 5)
 Noall Cohen (5+)
 (Exhibit 7 page 59)
- WEFMAN or teacher-made test (See sample, Exhibit #8, Page 60)

To determine if student can distinguish differences in the sounds of

VII.

words.

- . These group tests offer a starting point for remediation of specific skills. California is confined to vocabulary and comprehension subskills. Stanford includes some word attack subskills.
- V. Though time consuming, these instruments can give comprehensive picture of comprehension and word attach problems (including those of the virtual non-reader.)

These tests provide levels at which student can read independently (approximately two years below frustration level) and level at which he can profit from instruction (approximately one year below frustration level.) Listening comprehension supplies a potential level.

VI. Program for specific phonic remediation in workbooks, with cassettes, or in linguistic materials such as the Merrill Readers: VII. Poor discrimination indicates need for auditory training before phonic teaching (with such materials as Michigan Language Listening) but also points to need for an approach based on sight vocabulary and context clues in order to build on strengths to overcome weaknesses.

WHY TEST?

- a. Informal Textbook Test
- VIII. a. Relative accuracy of word attack and 90 to 100% comprehension indicate level at which student can read independently, while 60 to 80% comprehension with approximately five errors each 100 words indicates instructional level.
- b. Cloze Test (See sample Exhibit #9, Page 61) .
- b. Grade of 50% indicates materials may be used without modification. Analysis of responses will also give an indication of student's ability to use context clues.

EXHIBIT 1-A . 20, 22, 31, 13, 14, 29,

INTERMEDIATE METROPOLITAN ACHIEVEMENT TESTS ADVANCED

Test 1: WORD KNOWLEDGE (50 items)

 Test	1: WORD KNOW	Test 1: WORD KNOWLEDGE (50 items)	
 Topic	Form F	Item Numbers Form G	Form H.
 General Information	1, 6, 13, 15, 16, 18, 26, 34, 38, 45, 48, 49, 50	3, 7, 16, 21, 23, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 35, 39, 41, 42, 46	4, 8, 10, 11, 16, 20, 24, 26, 29, 32, 34, 42, 43, 45, 49
Social Studies	2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 17, 23, 27, 33, 35, 36, 37	6, 10, 11, 18, 20, 36	1, 5, 9, 14, 19, 25, 27, 28, 30, 41, 44, 46, 50
Humanities	5, 14, 19, 20, 28, 41, 44, 46	5, 13, 15, 19, 22, 24, 25, 33, 43, 44, 47, 49	7, 13, 17, 22, 35, 36, 38, 39, 48
Science & Mathematics	7, 8, 21, 22, 24, 25, 29, 31, 32, 39, 40, 42, 47	1, 2, 4, 8, 9, 14, 17, 32, 34, 37, 38, 40, 45, 48	2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 33, 37, 40, 47
Antonyms	9, 30, 43	12, 29, 50	21, 23, 31

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Numbers rm G	Form H.	Topic	l Form F	Item Numbers Form G	Form H	
16, 21, 5, 27, 28, 1, 35, 39,	4, 8, 10, 11, 16, 20, 24, 26, 29, 32, 34, 42, 42, 42, 42, 42, 42, 42, 42, 42, 4	General Information	1, 3, 13, 15, 1, 3, 4, 7, 10, 25, 28, 32, 35, 11, 15, 20, 23, 35, 41, 42, 43, 29, 30, 37, 45, 45, 45, 45, 48, 49	3, 4, 7, 10, 1, 15, 20, 23, 9, 30, 37, 45, 8, 49	3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 16, 25, 28, 33, 38, 43, 45, 48, 49, 50	
, 11, 0, 36	1, 5, 9, 14, 19, 25, 27, 28, 30, 41, 44, 46, 50	Social Studies	5, 19, 22, 23, 10, 29, 33, 36, 20, 39, 46	16, 21, 22, 24, 26, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 43, 47	2, 11, 13, 14, 21, 23, 29, 36, 39	
, 15, 19, 25, 33	7, 13, 17, 22, 35, 36,	Humanities	11, 16, 17, 18, 5, 6, 26, 27, 31, 28, 3	6, 12, 17, 8, 31, 40, 2, 50	12, 17, 20, 22, 24, 26, 31, 41, 42	
4, 47, 49	8 8 30	Science & Mathematics	4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 8, 1	3, 14, 18,	1, 4, 18, 19,	
4, 8, 9, 7, 32, 34, 8, 40	2, 3, 6, 12, 15, 18, 33, 37, 40, 47		30, 34, 37, 44	41, 46	37, 40, 44, 46, 47	
i i so		Antonyms	2, 6, 20	2, 9, 44	8, 15, 34	
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Topic			
	form F	Hom Numbers Form G	ers Form H
Main Thought 4, 6, 22, 32	, 32	3, 14, 18, 28, 34, 40 3, 12, 19, 28, 36	3, 12, 19, 28, 36
Inferential 1, 5, 8, 9, 1 13, 15, 16, 16, 16, 1 25, 31, 34, 3	0, 11, 12, 19, 23, 24, 18, 39, 40;	1, 4, 5, 10, 11, 13, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 27, 31, 32, 35, 38, 37, 41, 42, 44, 45	1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 14, 15, 18, 21, 22, 26, 27, 29, 31, 32, 35, 42, 43, 44, 45
Literal 3, 17, 16	3, 17, 18, 26, 27, 33, 37	6, 7, 9, 12, 19, 25, 38	2, 13, 16, 17, 24, 25, 30, 33, 34, 38, 40, 41
Word Knowledge 2, 7, 14, 20, 21, 28, 29, 2, 8, 17, 20, 29, in Context 30, 35, 36, 44	. 20, 21, 28, 29, 36, 44	2, <i>P. i.</i> 7, 20, 29, 30, 33, 39, 43	6, 8, 11, 20, 23, 37, 39

3, 4, 7, 10, 12, 14, 19, 22, 24, 26, 27, 30, 32, 33, 36, 38, 39, 43, 44, 46

3,2,5

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3, 4, 8, 10, 14, 120, 21, 22, 28, 30, 33, 35, 36, 40, 41, 44, 45

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Inferential

1, 8, 15, 17, 23, 29, 34, 41

7, 11, 19, 25, 29, 33, 41

5, 11, 18, 24, 31, 37, 43

Main Thought

Form H

Item Numbers Form G

Form F

Topic

READING (45 items)

Test 2:

2, 11, 18, 20, 25, 31, 35, 40, 42

2, 4, 6, 14, 18, 23, 26, 30, 43, 44, 45

2, 6, 15, 17, 19, 23, 25, 27, 29, 32, 39, 42

Word Knowledge in Context

5, 6, 9, 13, 16, 21, 28, 37

5, 15, 17, 20, 22, 28, 35, 37, 38

1, 7, 9, 12, 13, 26, 34, 38

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ELEMENTARY

Test 1: WORD KNOW. (50 items)	. Test 2:	READING (45 items)
Test 4: SPELLING	Topic	item Numbers
(40 items)		Form F
No	Main Thought	5, 17, 29, 40
content	Inferential	2, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16,
breakdown		30, 31, 36, 39, 42, 43, 44
because	Literal	1, 3, 4, 6, 9, 11, 18, 21, 32, 34, 35, 38, 41, 45
of nature	Word Knowledge	
of test	in Consext	13, 19, 23, 33, 37
		Form G
	Main Thought	6, 10, 17, 24, 29, 41
	Inferential	2, 8, 12, 14, 15, 16, 19, 22, 23, 27, 28, 31, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 42, 44, 45
	Literal	1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 18, 21, 25, 26, 30, 36, 40
,	Word Knowledge in Context	9, 13, 20, 32, 39, 43
		Form H
	Main Thought	11, 17, 21, 22, 28, 35, 39
	Inferential	5, 13, 14, 20, 23, 26, 29, 32, 33, 34, 37, 38, 41, 43, 45
	Literal	1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 18, 24, 27, 40, 44
	Word Knowledge in Context	19, 25, 30, 31, 36, 42



INTEREST AND ATTITUDE INVENTORY

Nam	eAge	Grade
	ections: Complete the following sentences.	
1.	·I was born in	
2.	In the United States I started school in the	grade.
3.	I speak	
4.	I read and write	
5.	I like to read about	
6.	On weekends I	,
7.	I would like to be a	
8.	I like to read when	
	I wish I could	
	To me books	
11.	When I read Social Studies	· · ·
12.	My idea of a good time is	
13.	School is	
14.	I get angry when	
15.	When I finish high school	
	I feel proud when	



HARRIS WORD LIST * (For Quick Placement)

PRE-PRIMER	PRIMER	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
am big see dog up look to me it good	cake all how from into story that wanted playing milk	another cry hopped gate snow next bunny thought well running	clang fruit quick teach sound music often straight dark cannot	check reason plain freeze knife inch moment president shovel whale
FOURTH	FIFTH	SIXTH	SEVENTH	EIGHTH
addition blizzard compound embrace groove introduce magic nonsense permanent scratch	accomplish commotion decorate essential marvelous grateful population remarkable suggestion territory	natural pardon excitement follows gathering wischiel century deck immediately decide	pajamas quantities seldom statue cover yell recreation prepared nervous habit	tease impatient handsome farmer's firm earlier companies heard accommodate heap

SCORING

2 errors test at a higher level 3-5 errors indicates reading level 6 errors - test at an earlier level



^{*}Harris, Albert J., How To Increase Reading Ability, New York, David McKay Co., 1961.

San Diego Quick Assessment*

Administration

- 1. Type out each list of ten words on an index card.
- 2. Begin testing with the card that is at least two grades below the subject's grade placement.
- 3. Ask the subject to read the words aloud to you. If he misreads any word on this list, drop to easier lists until he makes no errors. This indicates his base level.
- 4. Write down all incorrect responses (or use discritical markings) on the tester's copy of the lists.
- 5. Encourage the subject to try the words he doesn't know so that you can identify the techniques he uses for word identification.
- 6. Have subjects read from increasingly difficult lists until he misses at least three words.

Analysis

- 1. The list in which a student misses no more than one of the ten words represents the level at which he can decode independently. Two errors indicate his instructional reading level. Three or more errors indicate his frustration level, i.e., the level at which reading material will be too difficult for him.
- An analysis of the subject's errors is useful for indicating word identification deficits that should be investigated more thoroughly.

^{*}Margaret La Pray and Romon Ross, "The Graded Word List: Quick Gauge of Reading Ability," Journal of Reading, XII (January, 1969) pp. 305-307.



The following types of errors are examples:

word		
ama.zed	ema.zed	Recognizing VCe syllables; VCe syllables
		followed by past tense d
develop	devlup	Focusing on medial parts of words;
•		determining no. of syllables in a word;
		VC/V and V/CV syllabication patterns
exclaimed	exclammed	Long a spelled ai
pretext	per text	pre prefix
edu~~tion	educating	tion suffix
straight	state	str blend



San Diego Quick Assessment

Student	AgeGrad	eSchool_	
Date of TestingTester	Ind.	LevInstr.I	evFrus.Lev
-	evel Pre-Pri	_ 	
see play me at run	go and 1	ook can nei	· .
	Primer		
you come not with jur	mp help i	s work are	this
	Level I		
road live thank when	bigger how	always nig	ht spring today
•	Level II		
our please myself town	early se	nd wide be	ieve quietly
carefully	•		
	Torrell TTT		
city middle moment fri	Level III		I longly dwar
since straight	gntened exc	ramed severe	ii ionery ures
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realized interrupted	January W2 00		, and a
I COLLEGE INVOLTAÇÃO			
	Level V		
scanty certainty develop	considered	discussed be	chaved splendid
acquainted escaped grim			
•	Level VI		
bridge commercial abolish	n trucker	apparatus el	lementary comment
necessity gallery relativ	vity		



Level VII

amber dominion sundry capillary impetuous blight wrest emmunerate daunted condescend

Level VIII

capacious limitation pretext intrigue delusion immaculate ascent acrid binocular enbankment

Level IX

conscientious isolation molecule ritual momentous vulnerable kinship conservatism jaunty inventive

Level X

zany jerkin nausea gratuitous linear inept legality aspen amnesty barometer

Level XI

galore rotunda capitalism prevaricate risible exonerate superannuate luxuriate piebald crunch



Exhibit 5A

INFORMAL ORAL READING TEST

Stud	lent:	Date:
Clas	· ·	Teacher:
SUMM Pass Numb		INFORMAL ORAL VOCABULARY Grade Level:
		_
3 <u>.</u>		Independent Level: A. 80-100% comprehension B. 98% accuracy in word attack C. Fluent oral reading D. Freedom from tenseness
6. 7.		Instructional Level: A. 60-80% comprehension B. 95-97% accuracy in word attack C. Relative freedom from tenseness.
Obse	ervations: Check statement	
1.	Word-by-word reading	analysis skills
2.	Poor phrasing	7. Poor Word Recognition
3. 4.	Poor enunciation Disregard of punctuation	8. Gross substitutions
	Little or no phonics skill	9. Gross omissions 10. Unawareness of errors



Commerts:

Exhibit 5-B

Symbols Useful to Record Errors
During Informal Reading Inventory*

Repetitions	www.	Wavy underline for each repetition
Insertions	^	Added word or words
Omissions	Jean	left cut word or words
Substitutions	John	Replaced correct word with word or words indicated
Hesitations	/	Stopped to think or word-by-word phrasing
Self-corrections	the	corrected mistake
Unpronounced	()	did not pronounce or needed help in pronouncing
Ignored punctuation	×	did not stop for period, comma, etc.
Reversal	/saw/	was for saw

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^{*}The use of a cassette to record readings makes task easier.

Exhibit 5-D

Reassure the student that you just want to find out what material he will be confortable working with. Ask him to read aloud, starting at a passage two years below his standardized reading score or on the Level determined by the word list. Question him on content, helping him to recall if necessary and allowing him to lor' back at the passame. Include main idea, inference, detail and vocabulary questions.

Each paragraph is harder than the one before it. Read until you come to a paragraph in which you make seven nistakes. Then stop.

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Tom and Dick went into the woods, They saw a yellow bird. Dick said it was a summer bird. They wanted to find the nest.

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Jane has a new sled. Three children can sit on it at once. Jane lets the girls and boys take turns coasting. The children hope that the snow will last a long time so that they can have many rides.

III

There was once a kind old shoemaker who was very poor. He had leather to make only one pair of shoes.

He cut the leather for the shoes and went to bed. The next morning he was surprised to find that the shoes were already mucle.

The shoemalier sold them and bought leather to make two more pairs of shoes.

2

Jimmie picked up the little dog just in the to save him from being crushed by an automobile. But what could be do with hin? He held him tenderly in his arms, while he would red of the Boy Scouts were already half a block away, and no one on the sidewalk offered to ruke the poor little dog.

>

There was once upon a time a man who had fought bravely for his king throughout the war; but when the war was over, all he received for his services was a few

"Wait," he said, "that does not please me; only let me find the right people, and the king shall yet give me all the treasures of his kingdom." Then he walked angrily away into the forest.

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It was the close of a stormy day in the month of September, when a large number of officers gathered near the door of a building that was situated in the heart of the American troops, who held the Jerseys. The age, the dress, and the dignity of most of these warriors indicated them to be of high rank; but to one in particular was paid a deference and obedience that announced him to be of the highest. His dress was plain, but it bore the usual military distinctions of command. He was mounted on a horse; and a group of young men in gayer attire evidently awaited his pleasure and did his bidding. Many a hat was lifted as its owner addressed this officer; and, when he spake, a profound attention, exceeding the respect due an officer, was exhibited on every face.

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To Miss Barton then came the conviction that the Red Cross should also attend to all disasters such as fires, floods, carthquakes, and epidemics—"great public calamities which require, like war, prompt and well-organized helo."

New York: Noble and Noble (1964) From: Wilkinson and Brown, Improving Your Reading.

PHONICS INVENTORY TEST

Directions: Teacher will read the words in all the columns and have the students write the specified letters in the appropriate columns.

I. Wri	te the	first	letter	II Wr:		la	ıst lette:		III Wri		last	two	letters
16. 17. 18.	lamp money nice queen rail wolf zebra:	s .			tip boom cab rcd stiff rug truck itail stain stir class brat six			1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2	1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9.0.1.2.3.4.5.6.7.8.9.0.1.				
IV. Wri		first	two le	tters	V. Wi		: the fi		2. ree	helm lette	rs		
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7.	blend brown think chill flood clear creek steam				1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	•	stream screech spread three splice squash						
10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18.	scampedry twist tread sleep swing please proud dwind frog quip	er e			is <u>c</u> i	s c irc	If the imile of correct. tus it is When corrected less	the c Thus corre	orrif ct.	ect <u>sot</u> he has papers	an s	ne an for nter	nswer <u>c</u> in

From Board of Education Publication (1946)

Exhibit #7

READING CENTER DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION FERKAUP GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

NOALL-COHEN TEST OF WORD ANALYSIS FOR GRADES 5-ADULT

INSTRUCTIONS TO EXAMINER: Ask examinee to read lists in order. Write in substitutions and errors made, and place a check by each word on which the examinee hesitates. After the list is read at Levels 2,4,5 ask the following questions when appropriate:

- a. What would the word be without the ending?
- b. What are the prefixes, roots, suffixes in List 5?
- c. What do the offixes mean?

LEVEL 1	TEAET 5	IEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5
1. cos	1. gadding	1. ca	1. phlox	1. deduction
2. pyx	2. dace	2. braise	2. spew	2. prospective
3. kip	3. thrid	3. shrieve	3. gneiss	3. retainer
4. fez	4. flitch	4. ce11	4. bedgewn	4. suffice
5. labs	5. glebes	5. loess	5. anthrax	5. efferent
6. stept	6. kipper	6. swart	6. Bolleau	6. applicable
7. draff	7. schist	7. squall	7. fecund	7. diffidence
t. Drux	8. mulct	8. howse	8. brassiest	8. bilobed
9. blent	9. plebs	9. erst	9. tiping	9. omniscient
10. veld	10. helving	10. shirr	10. burnoose	10. appendentor;
			11. coign	
			12. tout	

SCORING: Note the number of errors in the appropriate blanks below. There are 112 possible errors. In LEVEL 5 scoring, the first blank is for errors in recognition of word parts; the second blank is for errors in meaning of word parts.

01	word parts.			_
LEVEL 1	TEAET 5	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4	LEVEL 5
Short vowels on all words.	Blends on 3.4.5.7. 8.9.	Two vowel combinations on 2 to 5.	Silent letters on 3.11.	Mispron- ounciations.
Conson- ant blends on words 5 to 10.	Inflected ondings on 1.5.6.10 When taking off endings on 1.5.6.9.10.	n/fol- lowed by r/l/w. Vowel plus letter r/ on 6,9,10. Pinal vowel on number 1.	Take off endings 8,9. Syllable errors 3 to 10	Assimi- Inted pre- fixes 4 to 7 and 10.
		c/ on 1.4.	•	



AUDITORY DISCRIMINATION

A. Initial consonant discrimination

Are these words the same or different? Call one pair at a time.

;ip	dip	feel	veal	hill	fill
red	red	foon	moon	leaf	reef
cheap	jeep	bum	dumb	den	ten
pin	bin	yes	yes	peach	beach
dhin -	chin	sip	ship	fall.	fall
pal	pal	fix	fix	cheap	${ t sheep}$
ip	sip	mold	cold	some	come
į oat	coat	yard	lard	feel	feel
coast	toast	thin	fin	yawn	lawn

B. Final consonant discrimination

Are these words the same or different?

rack	rag	cup	come	swim	swim
l.eaf	leave	had	hat	tide	tight
moon	moon	good	good	rub	rum
pit	pill	then	them	seed	se at
razz	rash	sob	qoa	wig	wing
rip	rib	ride	ripe	steam	steep
bus	buzz	clay	clay	take	tail
home	hope	Ruth	roof	bat	bad
run	run	much	mush	live	lip

C. Vowel discrimination

cop	cap	been	byn	hat	Hun	beg	big
hit	hat	rod	r. Med	doll	doll	\mathtt{cut}	cut
rub	rib	bug	bug	leg	leg	hit	hut
mat	mat	luck	lock	bit	bet	rip	rap
big	big	had	head	dock	duck	but	bat
odd	add	but	b e t	lid	led	ball	ball
man	men	lap	lip	pen	pan	cup	cop

From Harris, L.A., and Smith, Carl B., Reading Instruction Through Diagnostic Teaching, Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1972



Sample CLOZE Test

IAMENT FOR THE IANGUAGE TRAINING CENTERS * By Marshall D. Shulman

There is	an old Russia	n story about a	mouse who dived	into a hole						
in the wall fo	r safety from	a pursuing cat.	Waiting for the	e cat(1)						
go away, the m	go away, the mouse (2) a dog barking, and (3) out, confident									
that the (4)	_would not re	main in <u>(5)</u>	vicinity of a ba	arking (6).						
Whereupon the	cat, as <u>(7)</u>	_ pounced upon t	the emerging (8	B) , said						
exultingly: "H	ow useful(9) is to know a	a <u>(10)</u> languag	ge!"						
	-	_	dering what(12							
				·—						
budget proposa	TS WITT(13)	to the study	of (14) lane	guages in the						
United(15)_	_•									
From the	narrow perspe	ctive(16)	national security	y, is it (17)						
important for	us to (18)	one more F-111	than (19) en	nsure that we						
have (20)	least a modera	te flow :	future citizens t	trained to						
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sometri			the world and the							
1	5	9	13. 14.	17. 18.						
3	7	11.	15. 16.	19						
4	·	12.	10	20						
		;								
		Level - Below 4								
٠	KE	ys to answers								
1. to	5. the	9. it	13. do	17. more						
2. heard 3. came	6. dog 7. he	10. foreign	14. foreign 15. States	18. acquire 19. to						
4. cat	8. mouse	12. President		20. at						
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							
	or Construction									
After title an	d introductory	sentence, elim	inate every fifth	word.						
From: New Yor	k Times. April	. 19 7 3.								



naje:	OFF. CLASS:	READING CLASS:
will:	READ	ING SCORE:
	CHECKLIST OF READING BEHAV	IORS
BEHAVIORAL	CLUES TO READING DISABILITY	·
	Dislike for reading .	• •
	Poor attention	
	Lack of perseverance	
	Inability to read material on gra	de level
	Symptoms of visual difficulties	
	Difficulty in remembering materia	1 read
	Emotional disturbance and nervous	tension when reading
W	ord-by-word	Insertions
	isuse of punctuation	Omissions
н	esitations	Reversals
S	ubstitutions	Poor phrasing
R	epetitions	Unsatisfactory eye
. WORD-ATTAC	K TECHNIQUES	
Gu	esses	•
Doc	es not try	
Fa:	ils to use:	
	Configuration cluesPicture cluesContext clues	



	uses Phonetic analysis inadequately:	
	Single consonants	Single vowels
	Consonant blends	Vowel blends
	Consonant digraphs	
	Fails to use structural analysis:	-
	Compound words	Contractions
	Prefixes	Abbreviations
	Suffixes	Syllabication
	Word Roots	Accent
	Inflectional endings	
IV.	SIIENT READING	
	Subvocal reading	Short attention span
	Pointing	Fidgeting
	Poor posture	Book held too close
-	•	unsteadily
v.	COMPREHENSION	-
	Does not understand what he has read	
	Has difficulty with:	
	Main ideas	Inference
	Details	Directions
	Sequence	Predicting outcomes
-	Cause and effect	Critical analysis
VI.	WORK-STUDY SKILLS	
	Limited knowledge of specialized voca	abulary
	Insufficient ability in use of pictor	rial and tabular materials
	Lack Of efficiency in using basic ref	Perence material



VII.	READING RATE
	Fails to read at sufficient rate:
	Skimming
	Scanning
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Ada	pted from checklist in A Guide for Beginning Teachers in Reading,
Cur	riculum Bulletin of the New York City Board of Education



A CHECKLIST FOR TESTING PROCEDURES*

BEFORE THE TESTING

1.	Do I avoid giving tests when the students are excited and/or have
	something on their minds (e.g., Friday afternoon, after an assembly
	program)?
2.	Before administering the test, do I take it myself?
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3.	Before giving the test, do I thoroughly study the content of the
	test manual?
4.	Do I adequately prepare the students for a state of "readiness" for
	the test (i.e., everything from an absence of undue tension to clear
	desk tops)?
5•	Do I coach the students before the test on the skills I know will be
	tested?
6.	Before starting the test, do I make sure that I can supply the
	students with the right number of tests, pencils, and extra pencils
	in case points happen to get broken, erasers, and scratch paper?
7.	Do I have answers to anticipated questions the students will ask at
	my fingertips (e.g., "Should we skip the hard questions, or should we
-	guess at the answers")?
8.	Do I make sure that the students can comfortably handle the test materials

(esp. "lefties") and that they are seated so as to encourage self-reliance?



^{*}Adapted from Laffey, James and Smith, Carl B., Source Book of Evaluation Techniques for Reading. Bloomington Indiana, Indiana University. 1972.

9•	Do I ready the room for the students before the test (i.e., see that	
	heat, light, ventilation, etc. are adequate)?	-
		•
10.	Do I place a "Please do not disturb" sign on my door, and wait	
	until all students who will be present are seated?	
11.	Do I check test booklets before the test to make sure that they are	
	clean and usable?	
12.	If students have never used a machine-scorable answer sheets, do I	
-	explain its use the day before the test?	
13.	Have I taught my students test taking strategies?	
14.	Do I understand why the test is to be given so I can tell my students	•
•	its purpose?	



DURING THE TESTING

1.	Do I	impress	the	stud	lents	wit	h the	fact	that	the	testing	experience
	shou	ld carry	with	it	neitl	her	undue	tensi	on n	or i	ndiffer e r	nce?

2.	Without sounding too stilted, do I make sure that I follow the
_	test author's directions explicitly, speaking in a clear voice
	and giving proper emphasis to key words and phrases?

3.	Do I st	upplement	oral	instructions	with	the	blackboard	or	charts	if	the
						•					
	direct	ions are	still	unclear to t	he sti	ıden	ts?				

4.	Do :	Ι	accurately	time	the	test	with	the	use	of	a	stop	watch,	, timer,	etc.?

- 5. Do I keep the amount of time left in a long test on the board so students will not be tense about the time and will be able to budget their time?
- 6. While not making any student self-conscious, do I move around the room in order to note individual test behavior which is unusual, provide sharp pencils if needed, answer questions which the directions permit, and encourage an atmosphere for quiet work?

7.	Do I	remain	in	the	room	throughout	the	entire	testing	session?

8. Do I collect materials promptly and completely after the test is ended?



AFTER	THE	-TESTING
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1.	Do I make note of students whose behavior during the test strongly
	suggests that their test results will be invalid?
2.	Do I provide a quiet corner to administer make-up tests
	to absentees?
3• ·	Do I score the test quickly?
4.	Do I rescore a sample of the tests to make sure that the scoring was accurately accomplished?
5 .	Do I enter the score on the student's profile card and/or
~	cumulative record card?
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6.	Do I discuss the results privately with the student, emphasizing
	strengths rather than weaknesses?



	Name of Test	Level	Subtests	Forms	Time	Publisher
i	•	Group Reading Tests for Screening and	nd Evaluation			
	Metropolitan Achievement Test (1971)	Elementary 3-4 Intermed. 5-6 Advanced 6+	1. Word Knowledge (50) 2. Reading (45)	F, G, H	15	Harcourt Brace Jovanovich
-	Nelson Reading Test (Revised) (1962)	3-9	1. Vocabulary (100) 2. Para Comprehension (75)	A,B	9 6	Houghton, Mifilin Co.
* 1	California Rdg. Achievement Tests (1970)	Level II 3-4 Level III 5-6 Level IV 6+	1. Vocabulary (40) 2. Reading Compre. (45) a. refer (13) b. compre. (29)	A,B	10 10	California Testing Bureau McGrew Hill, Del Monte Research Park, Cal.
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	California Reading Test (1963)	Elementary 3-9 Jr. H.S. 5-12	1. VocabMath., Science S.S., Gen. 2. Rdg. Comprehension a. Following Directions b. Reference Skills c. Para Rdg. Interpretation	WXYZ	Jr. Elem. 8 8 10 10 15 12 35 20	California Test Bureau McGraw Hill
-	Iowa Silent Reading Test	Level I 6-9 Level II high		EF 15	11 11 15 15 15 15 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13 13	Harcourt Brace, Jananovich, Inc.
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Publisher.		Harcourt Brace Jovanovich		Bobbs-Merrill, 4300 W. 62nd St. Indianapolis, Ind. California Test Bureau
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Subtests	•	1. Rdg. Comprehension 2. Vocabulary (dict.) 3. Auditory Discrim. 4. Syllabication 5. Beg. and Ending Sounds 6. Blending (dict.) 7. Sound Discrimination	1. Reading Comprehension Literal Inferential 2. Vocabulary (dict.) 3. Syllabication 4. Sound Discrimination 5. Blending 6. Rate of Reading	Paras. For Reading (oral, silent, listening) 1. Word Recognition 2. Rdg. Passages (oral, silent, listen.) 3. Phonics - consonant, yowels, blends, syllables and blend-ing.
Level	Tests (cont'd.)	Level I- 2.5-4.5	Level II- 4.5-8.5	1-16 1-16
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	Mame of Test	телет	Subtests	Forms Time	Publisher
	Roswell-Chall Diagnostic Reading Test of Word Analysis	506	<pre></pre>	5-10	Essay Press. P.O. Box 5 Planetarium Station, N.Y.
	Wepman Auditory Discrimination Test (1958)	Readiness	Word Lists (Dictated)	iv.	Language Research Assoc., 300 N. State Street, Chicago, Ill.
,	Wide Range Achievement Test	I & II Pre-School to College	1. Spelling 2. Reading-Lists of Words 3. Arithmetic	approx 30	Jastak, Bijou & Jastak Guidance Associates 1526 Gilpin Avenue Wilmington, Delaware
A.W.	Informal Reading		<pre>1. Word lists 2. Reading Comprehension oral silent listening</pre>		Teacher-made Sample

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WHAT DO I DO TO GET STARTED?

The calendar checklist in this chapter was developed as a handy guide to help you get started in your term's work. It clarifies specific administrative and teaching responsibilities. It develops weekly rather than daily schedules to give the teacher maximum flexibility and allows for the slightly different beginning term schedules in our high schools. In addition, the chapter includes some class lessons for the beginning of the term with such aims as introducing the students, setting goals, administering standardized tests and encouraging independent reading. These are not formal lessons nor are they intended to set a pattern for large group instruction. The emphasis of the reading laboratory should properly be individualized instruction. Small group and large group instruction should be given only if accumulated evidence clearly demonstrates the need for the lesson to each and every member of the group.



	Se	t Up Reading Laboratory	
	You	need the following materials	
	to	set up the management aspects	
	of	the reading laboratory:	
A.	For	the student:	ŧ
	1.	Work folders or envelopes	
	2.	Assignment cards or sheets	
	3.	Progress charts or graphs	
	4.	Conversion tables to figure	
		percentages	
В.	For	the teacher:	
	1.	A profile card for each	-
		student	
	2.	A class profile sheet	·
	3.	A class data sheet	
	4.	A reading interest inventory	
		for each student	
C.	For	the room:	•
	1.	Library arrangement of	
		tables and chairs	
	2.	Kits and materials arranged	
		by basic skills	
		a. Comprehension b. Word Attack	
		c. Study Skills	
	3.	Media Corner	



CALENDAR CHECKLIST

TIME SCHEDULE	Time	habliah Masakan Gasta Asa Ita	CHECK-OFF
Before the term	ES	tablish Teacher Goals for the Term	
begins	1.	To develop an informal relaxed	
-		atmosphere where students have	-
		only positive and successful	
	-	experiences.	
•	2.	To check students' errors for	
		ongoing evaluation to ascertain	
		the causes of difficulty.	
	3.	To help students become aware	,
-		of areas of weakness and to	
		prescribe suitable remediation	
	4.	To train students to use the	•
		various materials in the	-
		program.	
•	5.	To help students find materials	
		of interest to them.	
•	6.	To show students how they can	
	, 56	become self-directed in their	,
		activities.	
-		### ATTOLES	
	7.	To make students aware of their	
		own progress through the use of	
		charts and graphs.	



	4.	Free reading corner	•
		a. include newspapers, magazines, paperbacks b. construct a bulletin available for graffiti and other student items of interest c. construct informal posters to encourage independent reading, such as: Best Seller List: Top Five for the Week: Earn-A-Book, Read Three, Keep One	
	5.	Content Areas Corner	
	6.	Conference area for the teacher	
		and student, or for small group	
		activity	
First week of the term		START UP	*
oerm	1.	Begin with an informal orientation	
•		session in which students are	
		encouraged to analyze their own	۲
-		difficulties with reading in the	,
		past.	<u>.</u>
•	2.	Offer them positive encouragement	
		by referring to the goals and	
		methods to be used in this class.	
	3.	Administer interest inventories.	
	4.	Involve the students in the	
		decorations and arrangement of	
		the room.	



٥٠	Give students a chance to talk about
	their successes in other areas,
	e.g., in music, art, sports, relation-
	ships with people at work, etc.
6.	Explain the use of:
	a. work folders or envelopes
	b. assignment cards or sheets
	c. progress charts or graphs
	d. conversion tables for
	percentages
7.	Prepare for the standardized
	achievement tests. Under no
	circumstances should any materials
	from the standardized tests be used
	to prepare students for taking these
	reading tests. Instead offer an
	explanation of the types of questions
	to be encountered with some sample
	exercises developed by the teacher.
	Many students who are frustrated by
	their poor performance on these tests
	need special understanding and consid-
	eration. It is essential to assure
	them that the test is the starting
	point for the term's work and will
	not be detrimental to the student.
	See Chenter 3 Exhibit 11 Pages 65-68



for checklist.

8. Administer the standardardized

achievement test.

Set aside ample time for administering the test, preferably in one session. Score the tests.

9. Hold individual mini-conferences for each of the students to discuss test results, with emphasis on strengths.

Ask the student whether she thinks the test is a fair measure of her reading ability, and what she perceives as her reading difficulties.

Second Week <u>Initiating Activities</u>

- 1. Have the group do a timed exercise such as an easy level McCall Crabb, while you observe the individual student behavior and performance.

 (Note the student who is not performing. She will need an oral test).
- 2. Introduce students to a kit such as the Reading Attainment System. Initially assign levels two years below scores achieved on reading



	tests, to ensure success. Explain	
	the color coding and the card selec-	
	tion on each grade level. Arrange	
	for one or two pupils to be respon-	
	sible for helping any new students	
	with the kit.	
3.	Introduce students to individualized	
	free reading in paperbacks or high-	
	interest books charged from the	
٠	library.	
Adm	inistering diagnostic tests	
1.	Refer to chapter 3 for the test that	
	fits your students' needs.	 ,
2.	Add the results to the student	
	profile card or personal folder.	
	•	
3.	Arrange to confer with students	
	individually on their weaknesses and	
•	strengths and give them their	•
	personalized assignment cards.	
Stm	ucture for Informality	
1.	Routines should be well-established.	
2.	Set your sights on ongoing evaluation.	

Third week

Term-wide



Continue student conferences.

- 3. Based on findings of latest evaluations and conferences, periodically rewrite and add to assignment cards.
- 4. Take advantage of small group activities such as:
 - a. play-reading
 - b. group games
 - c. listening to stories read

 by teacher or taped materials
- 5. Arrange for time to allow pupils to become familiar with the books and magazines on display.
- 6. Encourage independent reading throughout the term:
 - a. Explain the background and plot of a book and then select an exciting episode from it. Have a group predict the outcome, or discuss the plot.
 - b. Referring to students' comments
 about high interest books, let
 them "sell" the books they like.
 Have students fill out a 3 x 5 card
 to serve as a class reference file.
 Cards should contain title, author,
 a few sentences about content, and the
 student's opinion.
 - make informal comments about books



they have enjoyed. Discussion should be encouraged wherever students interest leads.

- d. Have students keep a personal record of all the books they have read during the term.
- e. Develop an Earn-a-Book program.

 The students keep one paperback

 for every three books read.
- f. Make a written contract with a student stipulating that she must read a certain number of pages daily from a book of her choice.

For example:

pages of the book of my choice every day until this book is completed. When it is completed, I understand that I will receive credit toward the purchase of a paperback book for my personal library. For every books I read, I will have the opportunity to purchase one paperback.

The contract is null and void if I should change the book without first conferring with the teacher.

Teacher's signature Student's signature

g. Recommend that students view film that appears on T.V. and then to read the book on which it was based.



h. Arrange small groups and have the students read dramatic episodes from plays and novels. They might wish to tape this.

Last week of instruction

Post Testing to Measure Growth

1. Give a post test using a different form of the achievement test used at the beginning of the term

2. Enter scores on the class data sheets.

3. Enter scores on the students cumulative record cards.

4. Enter score on student reading card.

5. Share results with individual students.

6. Plan together with individual student



for continued reading growth.

MAKING MY OWN OBSERVATIONS

The checklist provided in this chapter will be useful to teachers
if they want to make an independent evaluation of their reading laboratory.

Although it is essentially a tool that a supervisor or an evaluator will use to determine the strengths and weaknesses of a reading program, it could provide valuable insights in the following areas:

- 1. Physical Facilities
- 2. Materials
- 3. Evaluation
- 14. Planning
- 5. Teaching Procedure
- 6. Teacher Behavior
- 7. Pupil Participation



Observer Checklist

Sch	School			Teacher						
0bs	erve	r			Date	Stud	ents			
A.	Phy 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8.	Separation Sparation Sparation Sparation Sparation State Chain Area	e of area ce availal ce availal rage faci lkboard av a attract:	a for reading adequate ble for small ble for indivities adequate all the control of the	g program l group work vidual work . ate ions (lights,	ventilat	ion,	tc.).	Yes	No
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1. Use of individualized approach in reading class. 2. Evidence of folder in use. 3. Teacher working one-to-one with students as needed. 4. Weekly report on student progress by teacher or student 5. Variety of simultaneous reading activities in evidence 6. Immediate reinforcement of success. 7. Specific skill teaching in a. word recognition b. comprehension c. study skills 8. Exercises differentiated to include various types of meaningsliteral, interpretive, critical evaluation 9. Grouping of pupils (small group or individual) for special needs 10. Procedures appropriate to maturity and ability of pupils 11. Use of class time: pacing, variety of activities 12. Integration of reading with content areas				Yes	No
Standardized Test upon admission to program. Standardized Test at mid-year. On-going informal evaluation of errors in word recognition On-going diagnosis of errors in comprehension Evaluation of deficiencios in study skills Overall Rating of Evaluation D. Planning L. Evidence of planned sequence in skill development Planning of skill lessons based on engoing diagnosis of deficiencies. Evidence of planned varied activities for individual and small group needs L. Evidence of planned varied activities for individual and small group needs Coverall Rating of Flanning Description materials and assignments differentiated for individual and small group needs Coverall Rating of Flanning Evidence of folder in use. Evidence of folder in use. Teaching Procedures L. Use of individualized approach in reading class. Evidence of folder in use. Specific skill teaching one-to-one with students as needed. Weskly report on student progress by teacher or student Evidence of folder in use. Evariety of simultaneous reading activities in evidence for individual teaching in a. word recognition b. comprehension c. study skills Exercises differentiated to include various types of meanings—literal, interpretive, critical evaluation Grouping of pupils (small group or individual) for special needs Procedures appropriate to maturity and ability of pupils Integration of reading with content areas.	c.	Γ_{\bullet}	Use of Informal Reading Inventors	•	
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Adapted from an evaluation report prepared by Professor Harold Vine of the New York University Center for Field Research.



The Reading Process

Many teachers who are concerned about the reading process will discover that there is no one formula for teaching the remedial reader. As a result, our major emphasis in this manual has been that solutions on a remedial basis must of necessity be varied and differ with the needs of the individual student.

A student should rarely be assigned an activity before providing for actual teaching. In one instance, it may take a word or two of explanation and demonstration and in another it may take a series of trial and error lessons before the student can be given independent practice. Occasionally, a small group lesson may be effective in teaching to a common problem.

In order to provide a brief summary of what is involved in the process of reading, we have included a sequence of reading skills prepared by Dr. Janet Lieberman of LaGuardia College.

Reading consists of four interrelated processes:

- 1. Perception of symbols
- 2. Recognition of words
- 3. Comprehension of ideas
- 4. Critical interpretation of and reaction to ideas

The following list of skills includes word recognition, comprehension and study skills. The sequence within each of these three areas is generally from simple to complex. Grade levels have not been defined as children are ready to learn a new skill as they achieve prerequisite skills, not as they move to a new grade.



I. Word Recognition Skills

These are the techniques children use to identify the printed word.

A. Picture Clues

The ability to identify words through inferences drawn from illustrations.

1. Pictures: may be used for the following categories of words:

nouns: concrete objects such as boat, trees, branch

verbs: action represented - run, swim, hop

adjectives: color, size, number

prepositions: relationships in illustrations - in, on,

under, in front of, into, behind

- 2. Maps: learning to read legends, scales, symbols
- 3. Graphs: interpreting bar, line, circle graphs
- 4. <u>Diagrams</u>: the ability to interpret drawings picturing process, experimentation, and structure especially in the content fields of science and social science

B. Configuration Clucs

The identification of printed words by recognizing the shape and contours of part of the word:

letter details

length of word

double vowels

double consonants

distribution of tall letters

distribution of letters below the line

general shape of word

capital letters

extraneous marks - apostrophes and hyphens

first and last letters of word



C. Context Clues

Identifying printed words through inferences indicated by the text surrounding the unknown word. Specific kinds of context clues include:

- 1. Synonyms He was kind or indulgent on every occasion.
- 2. Antonyms Neither the rich nor the indigent were affected.
- 3. Figures of Speech He's in a fine pickle.
- 4. <u>Definition or explanation</u> He drove the <u>reaper</u>: a machine that gathers wheat.
- 5. <u>Description</u> The people were richly dressed, with many furs and jewels. Their <u>opulent</u> appearance was interesting.
- 6. Summary The room was colorful, gay, and cheerful, an optimistic environment.
- 7. Punctuation Commas, parentheses

D. Phonics

The ability to use the science of phonetics or speech sounds to help pronounce unknown words.

Consonants

- Initial Consonants: The ability to recognize and reproduce a consonant sound at the beginning of the word.
 - a. Consistent sounds: b, d, f, m, l, n, p, r, s, h
 - b. Letters having two sounds: c, g, s
 - c. Less frequent letters: j, q, z, v, w, x
- 2. Consonant blends: The ability to recognize and reproduce the sound of a group of two or three consonants which are blended to make one sound while still preserving their original identity bl, cl, dr, cr, sc, scr, st, sl, str, bl
- 3. Final consonants: to recognize and associate the symbol with



- the sounds of consonants at the end of words n, t, k, m, d, g, l, p, r, s, z
- 4. Medial consonants: The ability to recognize and associate the symbol with the sounds of consonants in the middle of words little, belong, number, garage
- 5. Consonant digraph: The ability to recognize and associate the sound with a group of two consonants which produce a sound different from the individual sounds of the composite letters—Beginning digraphs: ch, sh, th, wh, ph

 Final digraphs: ch, sh, th, ph, ck, ng, nk

 Variant digraphs: gh as in cough, ghost, through, th as in think, this
- 6. <u>Silent consonants</u>: To recognize that certain letters, especially when associated with certain other letters can be silent gn (gnaw, gnat), kn (know, knife, knee), wr (write, wring, wrist), mb, (lamb, comb, climb)

Vowels

- 1. Short vowels: To recognize and distinguish among the short vowel sounds tan, ten, tin, top, sun
- 2. Long vowels: To recognize and distinguish among vowel sounds that are called "long" - they say their own name - name, teeth, mine, tone, tune
- 3. Modified vowels: To recognize the sound of vowels when followed by r, w, or 1: star, stir, torn, turn, fern, saw, stew, ball
- 4. <u>Digraphs</u>: To recognize the sound of groups of two vowels which produce a single sound which is different from the sounds of the individual vowels cow, poor, pool, tour, out



- 5. Schwa: To recognize the sound often heard in unaccented syllables and represented by any of the vowels or not represented by a letter at all about, second, table
- 6. <u>Diphthong</u>: To recognize the sound of combinations of two vowels that have a blended sound different from the sounds of the individual component vowels: chair, point, bear
 - 7. Occasional vowels: The letters w and y often have vowel sounds say, angry, crawl, stow

To develop the ability to apply phonic generalizations as an aid to pronouncing unknown words:

- 1. In a one syllable word having only one vowel, the sound of that vowel is short when it occurs in the beginning or medial position.

 (mad, cut, stop, and, end)
- 2. In a one syllable word having one vowel, that vowel has a long sound if it is at the end of the word. (be, me, go)
- 3. When a word has a medial vowel followed by a single consonant and final e, the medial vowel is usually long and the e is silent.
- 4. Different sounds may be represented by the same letters how, know; foot, pool; bear, near, heard
- 5. One sound may be represented by different letters: foot, put;
 oil, boy; now, loud
- E. Accent the stress given to a syllable in a word.
 - 1. To be able to discriminate accented from unaccented syllables.
 - 2. To be able to interpret discritical marks as an aid in pronouncing unknown words.



- 3. To be able to apply the following generalizations:
 - a. in two or three syllable words the accent is usually on the first syllable.
 - b. in a derivative, the root word is usually accented.
 - c. in a word ending in -tion or -sion the syllable before these endings is usually accented.
 - d. change in accent may change the meaning of the word re'bel, re bel'; de sert', de'sert.
- F. <u>Structural Analysis</u> To develop the ability to analyze words in terms of their component parts.
 - 1. To identify inflectional endings
 - a. Plurals
 - (1) Simple s, es (toys, boxes, houses)
 - (2) Irregular -

same form - sheep - sheep; deer - deer.
ves - knife - knives; wife - wives.
ice - mouse - mice.

en - ox - oxen.

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- b. Possessive s' and 's (girl's coat; girls' coats)
- c. Verb ending s: (gets, runs)
- d. Tenses d, ed, ing
- e. Comparative endings er, est

adjectives: kind, kinder, kindest

adverbs: slow, slower, slowest

2. Compound words: To identify a new word composed of two known words, each retaining the original pronunciation and where the meaning of the new word in some way combines the meaning of the



two component words - (playground, schoolhouse, icebox)

- 3. <u>Derivatives</u>: To recognize new words formed from known words plus a prefix or suffix.
 - a. When "y" is changed to "i" before est, ed
 - b. When "e" is dropped before adding "y", "ing", "er."
 - c. When "f" is changed to "y."
- 4. <u>Contractions</u>: To recognize words formed by combining two words, omitting several letters, and indicating such ommission with an apostrophe.
 - a. Pronoun plus form of "to be"
 I'm, you're, he's, it's, what's (what is)
 - b. Pronoun plus auxiliary verb
 I'd, you'll, you've, what's (what has), let's
 - c. Verb plus "not" don't, doesn't, isn't
- 5. Syllables: The ability to recognize a syllable as that part of a word with one vowel sound.

To learn to apply the following principles to syllabicate words:

- a. Compound words are divided between the two words (back/yard, play/boy)
- b. Divide derivatives between prefix, root, and suffix -(un/do, do/ing, arm/ful)
- c. Divide between double letters = (but/ter, sum/mer)
- d. "ed" forms a separate syllable when added to words ending in "d" or "t".

(end/ed, spot/ted)



- e. Consonant blends (sl, sc, st) are not separated and usually
 join the following vowel to form a syllable (ta/ble, an/gry)
- f. "ck" usually joins the preceding vowel to form a syllable (pickle, pock/et)
- g. When the pattern vowel-consonant-vowel is in a word, the first syllable usually ends with the vowel (ba/con, ta/ken, dra/ma)
- h. When the pattern vowel-consonant-consonant-vowel is in a word, providing the two consonants do not form a blend or a digraph, the word is divided between the two consonants (hus/band, cor/ner, won/der)
- i. When a vowel ends a syllable it usually has a long sound; when it is in the middle of a syllable it often has a short sound.

6. Dictionary Aids

- a. The ability to alphabetize by first letter and later by second, third, etc.
- b. The ability to use syllabication, accent and diacritical marks as an aid to pronounce words.

II. Comprehension Skills

The three levels of comprehension skills are considered: literal, interpretive and evaluative. The total reading program for each child should include instruction at all three levels.

- A. Literal Comprehension: The skill of obtaining the direct meaning from the written symbols as they appear in context on the printed page. This is the most elementary level of comprehension.
 - 1. Recognizing and recalling clearly stated facts and details:
 - a. recalling specific statements
 - b. reproducing facts



c. recognizing clue words to answer questions:

Who? - look for name of person

When? - look for time or date

Where? - look for name of place or locational phrase

What? - look for statement of activity

2. Identifying sequence of events:

Using word clues and inferred clues to order events logically, chronologically and psychologically.

first, second, ...last

before, while, then, after

morning, noon, twilight...

1800, 1805, 1860...

Revolutionary Era, Civil War

- 3. Identifying reference for pronouns 15, she, their
- 4. Associating questions with the speaker and identifying character who is being spoken to.
- 5. Recognizing the effect of punctuation on meaning. (period, commas to separate ideas, question mark, exclamation point)
- . 6. Recognizing the effect of unusual word order on meaning (interrogative, emphasis)
 - 7. Using context to select the meanings appropriate to that context.
 - a. multiple meanings like, run, tie, leaves
 - b. different pronunciations wind the clock, wind in the trees; does and deer, he does well; to rebel, the rebel.



8. Recognizing the meaning of idioms, similes, metaphors, figures of speech - and their effect on total meaning - Have your cake and eat it too, set a trap for, Happy as a lark, clean as a whistle put up with

lion-hearted, foxy, sheepish

- B. Interpretation: The ability to get the deeper meanings by supplying or anticipating meanings not stated directly in the text.
 - 1. Draw inferences from ideas in text

Explain conditions

Explain phenomena

2. <u>Judging implications</u>: Reasoning about details not given in the text.

Supplying incidents before story began Supplying incidents between events in the story.

- 3. Generalizing: Utilizing details to derive a conclusion or principle.
 - a. identifying related facts
 - b. determining level on which generalization can be made without going beyond data and using all available data
 - c. stating a conclusion
- 4. Comparing and Contrasting: The ability to develop a framework or point of view within which you can identify similarities and differences.
 - a. identify author's framework and comparing
 - b. identify clue words denoting comparison: on the other



hand, conversely, similarly, additionally, as, like, same, different

- 5. Cause and Effect: To identify what conditions, qualities, or events are causes of given conditions; to identify the conditions, qualities and events that are the result of the given conditions.
 - a. to use personal experience to predict logically which events and qualities will be causes and which will be effects.
 - b. to identify clue words: because, therefore, since, as a result of, consequently
 - c. to realize that there are many causes for a given event
- 6. Main Idea: To identify the main thought of a paragraph, essay or story and to be able to express it succinctly.
 - a. Using title as guide to main idea
 - Identifying topic sentence at beginning, end or middle
 of paragraph
 - c. Inferring main idea from stated details
 - d. Using headings or subheadings, or italics as clues to main idea.
 - e. Identifying summaries as clues to main ideas
 - f. Identifying the relationship of detail to the main idea

7. Identifying Assumptions

- a. Differentiation between fact and opinion
- b. Identifying the source of the statement

 Dewey said...It is believed;
- c. Identifying clue words: variants of think, believe,
 suggest, impersonal "they", it. (also see section on
 propaganda)



8. Anticipating Events and Predicting Outcomes

- a. Identifying clue words then, finally, as a consequence
- b. Identifying logic of action
- c. Relating events in time and space as aid to prediction
 Clue words formerly, olden times, now, presently,
 near, far, in hot climate, by the river
- d. Relating character's traits and motivations to his action

Clues - brave, coward, childish - sad, needed money, etc.

9. Identifying Character Traits, Motives, and Emotional Reactions

- a. Ability to make inferences about people from their actions, appearance, speech.
- Ability to identify words describing or defining traits:
 mean, kind, friendly, understanding
- c. Ability to develop a visual image of the character from descriptions of his appearance and actions.

C. Critical Reading

"The pupil must constantly read to evaluate. The good comprehender is a critical reader. He checks the truth, logic, reliability, and accuracy of what is written. He looks for contradictory material. He relates the material to his experience. He distinguishes fact from fiction, is concerned with the timeliness of the material, and tries to understand the author's motives.

"The critical reader is as much interested in why something is said as in what is said. He is sensitive to how words are used and is



slightly suspicious of the author's biases. He pays particular attention to words with several meanings. He checks copyright data, the author's reputation, and the publisher's past performances. He looks for errors of reasoning, of analogy, of over generalization, of over simplification, and of distortion. He looks for one-sided presentation, prejudices biases, faulty inferences, and propagands. He avoids jumping to quick conclusions.

"The teacher must lessen the difficulties of critical reading. A knowledge of critical reading is not enough for its application. The child needs training and guidance. To read critically the pupil must establish certain criteria. Without these criteria he cannot decide what is desirable and what is undesirable.

"Pupils need to be taught how to distinguish between inferences and conclusions that have validity and those that are not based on the data or on the wrong data..."

1. Evaluation of Accuracy

- a. ability to determine which material is factual and which is biased, false, out-of-context, out-of-date
- b. to identify and judge the reliability of the source first hand, rumor, experience and education of author, political or social views of author.

2. Recognize Propaganda, Slant, Bias, Prejudice

a. Name-calling: using bad names to discredit a person or policy.



- b. Glittering generalities attaching favorable adjectives and associations to an idea or product.
- c. Testimonial famous person places his approval on a product or issue.
- d. Transfer associating a product or idea with a particular? admirable person, hoping that the reader will transfer his positive emotional attitude from person to product.
- e. Plain folks appeal to the common man.
- f. Band Wagon selling the assumption that everyone is doing it and you should too.
- g. Card stacking presenting half-truths, offering only the favorable facts to influence the reader.

3. Evaluation of Relevancy

- a. to recognize facts of information needed to solve a given problem.
- b. to discover facts which are unnecessary for a given purpose

4. Recognizing Author's Point of View

- a. To be able to read from the author's point of view.
- b. To determine if there are other points of view on the subject.
- c. To evaluate the information in terms of the reader's knowledge and experience.

5. Recognize Emotionally Charged Words (see propaganda)

- a. Determine ambiguities and discrepancies
- b. Identify examples of irony and sarcasm
- c. Be aware of connotations of particular words: red, pink, conservative



d. Be able to read selection objectively

6. Identify Author's Purpose, Mood, Tone, Intent

- a. Judge an author's purpose: to amuse, inform, persuade, incite
- b. Be able to judge audience for whom article is written political party, voters, uneducated, rich, poor, etc.

7. Evaluate Quality of Writing

- a. Judge relevance and effectiveness of elements of style rhythm, repetition, refrain, rhyme, assonance, alliteration
- b. Evaluating choice of words to convey action, imagery
- c. Appreciate appropriateness and variety of sentence structure.
- d. Appreciate organization and unity
 - 1. comparison and contrast
 - 2. chronological sequence
 - 3. description illustration
 - 4. relation of details to main idea
 - 5. building to a climax or conclusion

III. Study Skills

Skills related to the use of the reading process for learning and study: the pupil uses his reading to serve some future purpose.

- A. Selecting and Evaluating Sources of Information: appraising sources in terms of adequacy and purpose. Deciding through preview if the selection:
 - 1. contains enough information
 - 2. gives adequate details
 - 3. is sufficiently recent



- 4. is reliable
- 5. is fact or opinion
- B. Organizing Ideas: grouping or classifying ideas
 Outlining
 - 1. finding main idea (see comprehension)
 - 2. relating details to main idea (see comprehension)
 - 3. using author's decisions to recognize organization
 - 4. recognizing outline form: Roman and arabic numerals, upper and lower case letters
 - 5. relating subtopics to main topic
 - 6. tracing relationships of sequence and importance

C. Retaining and Recalling Information

- 1. note taking concise, clear, own words, on cards
- 2. underlining
- 3. summarizing main ideas only
- 4. reading charts and tables
- 5. memorizing spacing study, using association, delayed recall, developing interest
- 6. using study formulas

SQRR - Survey, Question, Read, Review

SPR - Survey, Preread, Divide

PQRST - Preview, Question, Read, State, Test

D. Locating Information

- 1. Locating Information in a Book
 - a. Finding page numbers
 - b. Recognizing appropriateness of title
 - c. Recognizing purpose and use of parts of book: title, table of contents, appendix, glossary, index, footnotes



2. Using Table of Contents

- a. Locating it in book
- b. Using it to locate chapter titles or headings
- c. Using it to locate page number

3. Using the Index

- a. Being able to locate index in book
- b. Recognizing format of index
- c. Knowing which books have indexes
- d. Consulting index efficiently
 - (1) Using Alphabetization
 - (2) Knowing which topic to look under

4. Alphabetizing

- a. Knowing sequence of letters
- b. Analyze by first, second, third, etc. letters in word

5. Dictionary Usage

- a. Alphabetizing to locate word
- b. Using guide words
- c. Interpreting abbreviations and symbols
- d. Using pronunciation aids
- e. Using aids to meaning
- f. Using other information in the dictionary
 - (1) Gazeteer
 - (2) Derivatives
 - (3) Biographies

6. Library Skills

- a. Knowing shelf headings
- b. Realizing what call numbers mean
- c. Using the Dewey Decimal system



- d. Using the card catalogue
 - (1) author and title headings
 - (2) cross reference
- 7. Reference Tools
 - a. Using periodical guides, atlas, almanacs, etc.
 - b. Using encyclopedias
 - (1) Realizing kinds of information in each type of encyclopedia
 - (2) Using index, visual aids
 - (3) Selecting and evaluating in terms of publication date, author of articles, etc.

IV. Following Directions

- A. Recognizing consecutive steps
- B. Overview read all directions first
- C. Reread for steps to follow
- D. Recognize key words
 - 1. nouns, verbs, adverbs, adjectives (in terms of purpose)
 - 2. modifying phrases, conjunctions



More approaches to the teaching of specific skills may be found in the following resource index of the New York City Board of Education publications. This index was modified and enlarged from one prepared by Dr. Lenore Ringler of New York University for Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc.

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- 1. Sequential Levels of Reading Skills, Pre K Grade 12
- 2. Handbook for Language Arts, Grades 3-4: Bureau of Curriculum
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- 3. Handbook for English Language Arts, Grade 5-12: Bureau of Curriculum Development (1967)
- 4. High School Reading Taxonomy: A Guide to Materials (compiled by the New York City Right to Read Impact Project)



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EUILDING BRIDGES TO READING IN THE CONTENT AREAS

Increasingly, there is concern about helping the poor reader to become successful in other subject classes. While the various materials in the reading laboratory should help the student to develop the necessary work study skills to learn effectively, there are some teaching practices which the reading teacher and the content area teacher should consider to help the poor reader in his learning activities during the course of the day. The following check-list of practices will help to accomplish this goal on a school-wide basis:

In the Reading Laboratory, the teacher should do the following: 1. Stock room with materials that provide for useful workstudy skills' assignments on a variety of levels. 2. Discuss with the student the specific study skills that will help to improve overall school performance. 3. Plan to evaluate the problems that the students are having with homework and other content area reading assignments. 4. Notify other teachers of students enrolled in the reading laboratory. 5. Create opportunities for other content area teachers to assist students and work with materials in the reading laboratory. 6. Provide specific assignments to overcome problems observed while the student completed homework assignment. 7. Make a joint effort with content area teacher to assist the remedial reader. 8. Identify other programs available in the school (i.e., Homework Helpers Program)



n A	School-Wide Basis, the content area teacher should do the	following
1.	Know the reading ability of the student from	•
	cumulative records standardized tests	
	informal reading analysis cloze	
2.	Know the readability level of the textbooks in use.	
3•	Use text materials suited in difficulty to the reading levels of students.	
4.	Discuss the format of the textbook and how it may be used effectively.	
5•	Identify and provide, if possible teacher materials written on low-grade and above-grade reading levels.	
6.	Note special vocabulary and concepts introduced in various units.	
7.	Plan to teach essential vocabulary and concepts.	
8.	Provide special assistance for poor readers.	
9.	Plan to evaluate students' understanding of vocabulary and concepts and reteach it, if necessary.	
10.	Know the special study skills involved in the subject area and teach them as necessary.	
11.	Make clear and concise assignments.	
12.	Provide differentiated reading assignments for the different groups of the class either through varied texts or prepared material.	
13.	Teach the use of appropriate reference materials.	·····
14.	Encourage student to read widely in related materials.	
15.	Encourage the reading of recreational as well as informational reading matter.	



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challenge of teaching basic concepts and content and providing students with the skills necessary to understand better the materials they are required to read. Reading is an essential part of our curriculum, and more of us are beginning to recognize the need to integrate content and reading in our classrooms. "Reading is the means, and the end is content acquisition and understanding..."

The purpose of this manual is to assist teachers in developing those reading skills necessary for successful social studies learning. Chapter I discusses the supportive emotional climate and necessary diagnosis that are concommitants. Chapter II discusses reading vocabulary and essential reading skills through selections and sample questions. Chapter III deals with teaching techniques which the teacher can acquire to assist students in the improvement of reading. Chapter IV contains a taxonomy - a guide to materials which can be used to teach needed skills. Time restrictions necessitated limiting the topics to Africa and American Government.

It should be emphasized that the purpose of this manual is NOT to convert social studies teachers into reading teachers, but to enable them to assist their students in the acquisition of basic social studies information, concepts and skills.

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CHAPTER I - ASSESSING NEEDS

As in most human endeavors, nothing succeeds like success. Students can and should be challenged and encouraged to do difficult work, but not work that is so far beyond them that they simply resign. All work should be corrected as soon as possible, and constant encouragement, praise and some tangible indication of achievement should be given whenever possible. Certificates of progress and achievement are particularly effective for the student who does not have a history of academic achievement. Learning contracts, spelling out basic responsibilities, sometimes help set minimum standards of behavior and shift initiative from the teacher to the student. Interest inventories, written or oral, can help the teacher to build on student hobbies and concerns.



SAMPLE

CERTIFICATE OF PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENT

Date:

Dear	
We are pleased t	to tell you that
is doing very well in	•
	completes all of his assignments
and homework, works to the	e best ofability, and is an asset to the
class.	•
Congratulations	1

Sincerely,



SAMPLE

LEARNING CONTRACT

WELCOME TO(Course Number - Title)
Let us tell you something about the course:
1. We shall explore the rich cultural heritage and life styles of the peoples of Africa and the Middle East.
While studying about these countries, we shall also learn to use basic tools of learning such as problem-solving, how to understand what we read, how to see things more clearly, how to make clear judgements, and how to use many different kinds of materials to get information. These skills will help you in all of your subjects.
To make sure we all succeed, a few basic rules will be followed:
1. Be on time.
2. Take work folder and be seated.
3. Always be prepared with a pen.
4. Be responsible for a neat and complete folder.
Grades will be determined on the basis of your own progress in doing the required work. Grades will take the following into account:
 Attendance Folders (All work missed must be made up.) Special projects Tests
5. Extra credit work
STUDENT'S CONTRACT:
AS A STUDENT IN, I HAVE READ THE STATEMENT ABOVE. I UNDERSTAND THE CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THOSE CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO SUCCEED IN THIS COURSE.
(Signature of Student)
TEACHER'S CONTRACT:
I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE TERMS OF THIS CONTRACT BY BEING FAIR TO THIS STUDENT, TREATING AS AN INDIVIDUAL AND MARKING THE STUDENT ON THE BASIS OF HOW WELL COMPLETES THE CONTRACT.
(Signature of Teacher



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SAMPLE SOCIAL STUDIES

INTEREST AND ATTITUDE INVENTORY

Name	Grade
	ections: Complete the following sentences.
1.	I was born in
2.	In the United States I started school in the grade.
3.	I speak
4.	I read and write
5.	T like to read about
6.	On weekends I
7.	I would like to be a
8.	I like to read when
9.	I wish I could
10.	When I read Social Studies textbooks, I
11.	When I finish High School
12.	I like movies and TV about
13.	Some great Americans I admire are
14.	I liked visiting
15.	If I could visit anywhere in the U.S. I'd go to
16.	If I could go anywhere in the world I'd go to
17.	I'd like to live in
18.	If I were president I'd
19.	I would like to live in (a large city) (a small town) (a farm) Check one.
20.	I would like to be (president) (a congressman) (a judge) Check one.
วา	Tlearn best by (listening) (watching) (doing) (reading) Check one.



A. DIAGNOSIS

If student and social studies teacher are to function at their best, it is important each term to get an early estimation of students' ability to perform basic reading skills and to handle the textbooks and other material available for distribution. Diagnosis should continue throughout the term, with constant reevaluation and identification of specific reading problems and of special interests.

At the beginning of the term, the teacher can survey the students' language skills informally by doing as many of the following as can be accomplished within the first several days:

- 1. For general assessment of verbal ability:
 - a. -- listen for fluency in vocabulary and expression
 - b. assign a brief (five minute) writing activity "Inflation is....,"

 or "If I Were President....," or "The teenagers in the movies or

 television are usually....." Consider grammar, spelling, punctuation,

 vocabulary, relevance and clarity of expression.
 - c. -- distribute passages (1 or 2 paragraphs) from available texts and ask students to read (orally or silently) and tell you what they read about or have them answer simple questions.
- 2. To assess students' ability to manage material intended for distribution:
 - a. CLOZE

Prepare and administer a CLOZE test (or a series of CLOZE tests).

Duplicate a passage from a text intended for distribution. After the title and introductory sentence, replace very fifth word with a blank. Ask students to fill in the blanks.



- 1) Students who can supply 57% or more of the missing words can handle the book independently.
- 2) Students who can supply 44%-57% of the missing words can use the book with some support or assistance.
- 3) Students who supply less than 44% of the words require easier material or considerable support (vocabulary development, pre-teaching, carefully devised questions, study guides.)
- 4) An analysis of the types of errors will give clues to general verbal ability as well as background in the particular subject matter.



SAMPLE

CLOZE TEST

HOW DOES A BILL BECOME A LAW? (From Schwartz & O'Connor, Exploring Our Nation's History, p. 137)

		-
Lawmaking and the Constituti	ion. Lawmaking is one of the m	ost important jobs of
government. For laws are the	ne (1) by which a gover	nment (2) the
activities of its (3)	. By telling them what (4)	may or may not (5)
	for large numbers of (
in (8) Laws also	deal with (9) importa	nt matters, such as (10)
	services they receive in	
services (13) keepi	ng order, helping people (14)	need, and
protecting the (15)	_ from its enemies.	
In (16) absolute mon	narchy or dictatorship, (17)	are made by one
(18) . This is pro	bably the (19) and simpl	est way to (20) them.
In a modern (21)	on the other hand, (22)	is neither fast nor
(23) The people e	lect hundreds (24)	representatives. These men
come (25) different	parts of the (26) . Th	ey belong to different
(27) parties and re	present people (28) all	sorts of interests. (29)
do these representatives a	gree (30) what laws	to make (31) our
nation?		
	•	
1	11	27.
2	12	22
3	13	23
4	14	24
5•	15	25
6	16	26
7	17	27
8	18	28
9	19	29•
10	20	30
	1617 -	31

CLOZE TEST - ANSWER SHEET

Students must supply the exact word for the purpose of estimating percentages. However, a student who can provide a suitable synonym obviously comprehends the material, and the teacher should consider this in deciding how much support is necessary or whether an easier book should be provided.

ANSWER KEY

ı.	rules	11.	the	21.	democracy
2.	regulates	12.	return	22.	lawmaking
3.	people	13.	include	23.	simple
4.	they	14.	in	24.	of
5.	do	15.	nation	25.	from
6.	possible	16.	an	26.	country
7.	people	17.	laws	27.	political
8.	peace	18.	man	28.	with
9.	other	19.	fastest	29.	How
10.	the	20.	make .	30.	on
				31.	for

SCORING

Independent Level - 57%

Instructional Level - 44% - 57%

Frustration Level - Below 44%



HARRIS WORD LIST * (Quick Placement Test)

PRE-PRIMER	PRIMER	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
am big see dog up look to me it good	cake all how from into story that wanted playing milk	another cry hopped gate snow next bunny thought well running	clang fruit quick teach sound music often straight dark cannot	check reason plain freeze knife inch moment president shovel whale
FOURTH addition blizzard compound embrace groove introduce magic nonsense permanent scratch	accomplish commotion decorate essential marvelous grateful population remarkable suggestion territory	sixth natural pardon excitement follows gathering mischief century deck immediately decide	pajamas quantities seldom statue cover yell recreation prepared nervous habit	tease impatient handsome farmer's firm earlier companies heard accomodate heap

SCORING

2 errors test at a higher level 3-5 errors indicates reading level 6 errors - test at an earlier level

You can get a quick assessment of which textbook to try on by having the individual student read the above words aloud to you.



^{*} Harris, Albert J., How to Increase Reading Ability, New York, David McKay Co., 1961.

QUICK ESTIMATION OF READING LEVELS FOR PERIODICALS

Approximate Grade Levels	1 /4+	+9	8+	10+	12+	14+	16+
Reading Level	Very Easy	Easy	Fairly Easy	Standard	Fairly Difficult	Difficult	Difficult Very
Average Sentence length in words	æ	11	14	17	21	25	29
Syllables per 100 words	127	135	142	150	158	166	. 175
Pronouns per 100 words	19	1,1	10	9	4	ю	2
'Typical Magazines	Contes	देवद	Reader's Digest	Time	Literary	Scholarly	Scientific and Professional
For each designation, all of the oritants must be	m. all of +	he oritons	1 To 1 To 1 To 1				

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or each designation, all of the criteria must be met.

The Reading Process in the Content Areas; Instructional Services, The School District of Philadelphia, 1971. From:

Other useful estimates of reading level include: Fry's "Graph for Estincting Readaility" and the "Dale-Chall Readability Formula,"

b. INFORMAL TEXTBOOK INVENTORY -- Devise questions based on the text intended for distribution:

Questions should aim at discovering how well students can perform various reading skills with this text. Select a passage from the text (approximately two to four paragraphs) and write a series of questions aimed at tapping vocabulary, detail, main idea and one or two more sophisticated skills. It is a good idea to write the questions for each skill in order of increasing difficulty. Make sure the students have sufficient time to read the material and answer the questions within one period. Let students know the purposes for which this is being done so that they will not feel threatened.

- 1) If most of the students struggle and barely manage to answer 50% of the questions correctly, a simpler book is desirable. If no other material is available, considerable support will be necessary.
- 2) If most of the class answers between 50% and 80% of the questions correctly, the book is at their instructional level and can be used with teacher guidance.
- 3) If most of the class completes more than 80% of the assignment accurately, more challenging material should be found, even if only on a supplementary basis.

Where possible, parallel exercises in easier and harder texts-should be available. After all the students have been assigned work, the teacher should circulate and become aware of those students who have too much or too little difficulty. The teacher might have a student read a short passage to her privately. If he is unable to read and understand the material, he should be asked to do the parallel exercises in the easier book. Similarly, a student who completes the assignment correctly well ahead of time should be given the more difficult material to work with.



3. Official Reading Scores

These scores, obtainable from student record cards (and/or from the English or Reading Department) will provide a general idea of students' reading ability compared to a norm. They should be interpreted carefully; they usually reflect a student's frustration level of reading, and can be influenced by many variables. Make sure you note the date of the test. Also bear in mind that the comprehension subscore is a more useful indication of reading level than the vocabulary scores.

Diagnosis &s A Continuing Process

An initial diagnosis provides the teacher with a point at which to start and a general concept of a student's abilities and disabilities. However, opportunities for continuing diagnosis present themselves every time a student reads, speaks, writes, acts. Throughout the term, the alert teacher also becomes aware of a student's learning style (does he remember better if he draws a picture of the concept?); his attitude and motivation; his attention span; his interests; his interaction with his peers and his reaction to authority. A student may "flower" at mid-term or even later; he should be provided with more challenging material as well as with recognition of his progress. In addition, a student's interest and background of experience level change with the content, and it may be necessary to give harder or easier material for different topics.



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^{*} Frustration level - student can profit from instruction approximately one year below frustration level. (Instructional level)
Students can operate independently approximately two years below frustration level. (Independent level)

CHAPTER II - READING SKILLS FOR SURVIVAL IN THE SOCIAL STUDIES CLASSROOM

If the student is to be able to use the textbook, encyclopedia, atlas, dictionary, newspaper magazine, biography, and other print resources, the teacher is faced with helping the student to overcome the barriers imposed by vocabulary and comprehension deficiencies.

A. VOCABULARY

Vocabulary development must be an important component of <u>all</u> social studies teaching. The problem exists on both extremes, from the student whose vocabulary is so limited that he cannot recognize the fact that a particular word is a proper noun to the glib student who uses imprecise polysyllabic terms without a true understanding of their meaning:

The development of vocabulary is closely related to a person's ability to conceptualize, to develop a mental image of an action or a thing end make generalizations concerning it.

STEPS IN VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT

1. PREVIEW

Look over material to be used to determine which are the words that are essential to the meaning of the passage that you think will cause trouble. Look for:

- a. technical vocabulary which may be totally unfamiliar (apartheid)
- b. multi-meaning words which can confuse (party)
- c. polysyllabic terms which may cause decoding or meaning problems (extraterritorial)
- d. figurative language with literary or historical references or allusions which are unfamiliar (thrown in legislative hopper)
- e. idioms (run for office)
- f. abstractions for which students may have imprecise concepts(democracy)
- g. pronoun referents (it, which, they)
- h, connotative words (communist, liberal)



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2. PRETEST (formally or informally)

Check your hunches in order to avoid assuming either ignorance or knowledge on the part of the particular students with whom you are dealing.

- 1. Prepare a list of basic words to be used in the course. Start with easy words or terms and work toward more difficult ones. Ask students to check off those that they know.
- 2. Use matching test (with definitions) on words, roots, prefixes, and suffixes. Use sentence context where possible.
- 3. Have students write out definition (s) of a word. (Use sparingly. It is easy to overdo this approach.)
- 4. Have students classify words under given topics:

 physical features: desert, river, mountains, oasis
 political features: nation, province, state, town, city
- 5. Have students derive the meaning of words from context clues within the sentence or paragraph. Infer the meaning of an italicized word from its relationship to other words in the sentence: (They developed pellagra, scurvy, kwashiorkor, and other diseases caused by poor nutrition.)
- 6. Have the student derive the meaning of words from context clues within the word itself. Infer the meaning of the word from the meaning of its component parts: (in-, un-, pre-, post-, etc.) Antisocial means

 Then reverse the procedure.

 A word meaning against the society is
- 7. Have students complete comparisons or analogies:
 Employer is to employee as management is to ___(labor)
- 8. Have student write:
 - a. synonyms for words: political governmental
 - b. antonyms for words: freedom slavery
- 9. Before and after they study a chapter of one of their texts, check students' understanding of key words by multiple choice tests. (Students may be asked to help prepare these tests.)
- 10. Give definitions of words and ask students to supply the words defined, e.g. machines doing the work of men (automation). Clues may be added: au A list from which to draw may be supplied and referred to.

Test-like material can be used for instruction when <u>appropriate</u> feedback is applied. It is important, for instance, to go into reasons why an answer is incorrect.



3. TEACH a few words at a time in context as vividly and personally as possible. Choose those that carry the concept load of the lesson.

Studying a limited number of words in depth is more productive than superficial acquaintance with long lists. Choose those they will need at their level. There is little point in teaching "judiciary" before the student knows "judge" and "court".

- a. build on the student's background -- relate the unfamiliar to familiar, the past to the present, the distant to the near, the impersonal to the personal, the abstract to the concrete.
- b. provide necessary experience, real or vicarious (trips, role playing, pictures, filmstrips, etc.)
- c. make vocabulary development an intrinsic and pleasurable part of the social studies lesson by inviting role playing, encouraging educated guesses, and supplying a word's history.
 - d. Help them to formulate a definition of the word by:
 - 1. giving synonyms and antonyms
 - 2. classifying
 - 3. enumerating words to which it relates
 - 4. exhibiting a sample
 - 5. defining it operationally -- that is, telling what to do in order to experience or recognize the thing to which the word refers.
- e. supply a glossary for those words that are merely new labels for familiar concepts.



- 4. TRAIN for vocabulary independence
 - a. Teach them to make educated guesses on the basis of context and context clues: synonyms, antonyms, figures of speech, definition or explanation, description, summary, punctuation.
 - b. Encourage students to try to sound out a word syllable by syllable, changing vowel sound, syllable division, or accent, if the word is not recognizable at first.
 - c. Draw attention to word parts and their meanings. (in, ex, auto, demos)
 - d. Involve students in word and phrase derivations. (to boycott, sit-in)
 - e. Assist them in inventing mnemonic devices to aid recall.
 - f. Teach them effective use of the glossary and dictionary, particularly in the selection of the meaning that is applicable in the particular context.
- 5. REINFORCE by supplying opportunities for application. Retention and precision can only come from repeated encounters with the same words.
 - a. Motivate for remembering by providing repeated oral and written use by the teacher and student.
 - b. Provide game-like opportunities for drill:

crossword puzzles

word lotto

Password

Twenty Questions

Categories

charades and pantomine

riddles

jokes and puns



B. COMPREHENSION SKILLS

Nine of the many comprehension subskills have been identified in this manual as basic to the acquisition and understanding of social studies content area.

- 1. Getting details
- 2. Finding the main idea
- 3. Drawing conclusions
- 4. Cause and effect
- 5. Categorizing
- 6. Detecting a sequential pattern
- 7. Making comparisons and contrasts
- 8. Distinguishing fact from opinion
- 9. Application

These skills cover three levels of reading comprehension: literal, interpretive, and applied. Though defined separately in this manual, many of the nine skills overlap in their meaning and in their use. Identifying a cause and effect may lead to the main idea of a passage. Determination of a sequence may be helpful in establishing cause and effect. The separation of fact from opinion may be necessary in establishing valid comparisons. Before they begin the actual reading, students should be instructed in the purposes for which they are reading the given selection.

Effective use of such graphic aids as maps, charts, diagrams, pictures and cartoons, which are so necessary to enhance knowledge and understanding of social studies content, also requires considerable skill building to enable the student to transfer from the visual to the verbal. The visual aids can sometimes serve as a bridge in teaching the thinking skill on which reading comprehension depends. Photographs and cartoons often use details to lay the foundation for inferences, comparisons, and categories, as well as cause and effect relationships and sequences. Similarly time lines, graphs and charts give specific details or suggest inferences, cause-effect relationships and sequences.



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SKILL 1. Getting details, at the literal level of comprchension, involves locating and reproducing the facts as presented by the author. Command of detail are the foundation of building blocks which enable students to develop and use other skills. This includes getting answers from the sentence or paragraph to the Who? What? When? Where? How? This is the easiest of the skills listed, but in order to retrieve information accurately, students must be helped to understand vocabulary, punctuation clues, pronoun referents, and other aspects of grammatical structure that help denote meaning.

Many do not understand, for instance, that a pair of commas or parentheses may introduce a synonym, an explanatory phrase, a series of examples. Even a better reader may not realize how semi-colons and colons link ideas. Students need practice in converting large numerals into words and words into numerals. Many overlook qualifying words of quantity such as few, many, seldom, possible.

For the reader for whom the material presents too great a challenge, guidance should be given by directing the student to the specific sentence in which the answer can be found. Later this should be broadened to the specific paragraph, then page, and later chapter. Initially questions for the poorer reader should repeat the exact vocabulary of the passage. Later, questions can be rephrased. SKILL 2. Finding the main idea involves determining the relationship between what is central and what is supportive so that students can establish an order of importance in a sentence, a paragraph, a group of paragraphs, or even in a longer selection. When the main idea is expressed in a simple sentence, students can be asked to find the topic sentence in the selection. Sometimes students can look to typographical clues - heavy type, italics, underscoring. Most of the time, it is a matter of deciding which idea was developed and how the sentences in the paragraph are related to and support the main idea: by repetition, by example or explanation, by development of steps in a logical order or time sequence, by comparison or contrast. Note that it is important that your detail questions lead the student to the central theme.



Example 1 (Details and Main Idea)

- 1 The Constitution divides the federal government of the
- 2 United States into three main branches. These are the executive
- 3 (headed by the President), the legislative (Congress), and the
- 4 judicial (with the Supreme Court at the top.) Each branch is
- 5 given specific jobs to do and the power to perform these jobs.
- 6 The chart on page 136 gives a general picture of what the President,
- 7 Congress, and Supreme Court do.
- 8 When the authors of the Constituion set up a plan of government,
- 9 they tried to prevent any one branch of government from getting too
- 10 much power for itself. If, for example, the President was given the
- ll power to veto laws passed by Congress, what would stop him from
- 12 throwing out every law he didn't like? Wouldn't this be too much
- 13 power in the hands of one man?
- 14 To avoid this kind of problem, the Constitution has checks and
- 15 balances; that is, each branch of government can somewhat control the
- 16 actions of the other branches. For example, Congress can pass a
- 17 bill by a majority vote, but the President can check Congress by
- 18 vetoing the bill. Congress can then check the President's veto if it
- 19 passes the bill again, but it must repass the bill by a two-thirds vote.
- 20. Another example the President can make a treaty, but the Senate
- 21 can check him by refusing to consent to the treaty; the House of
- 22 Representatives can check the President by refusing to approve
- 23 the money bill that is needed to carry out a treaty's terms.

Cuban & Roden, The Promise of America: The Starting Line. Scott Foresman & Co.: Glenview, Ill., 1971 Pp. 135-137



Que	stions: (Details leading to main idea)
1.	The constitution divides the federal government into three main (Paragraph 1, Line 2)
	political parties
	counties
	branches .
2.	The president belongs to which branch of government? (Paragraph 1)
	executive
	judicial
	legislative
3.	The <u>legislative</u> branch of the government refers to:
	the president
	Supreme Court
	Congress
4.	The president can check Congress by:
	making a treaty
	passing a law
	vetoing a bill
5.	In order to repass a bill after the president has vetoed it, Congress needs:
	a majority vote .
•	a two-thirds vote
	a treaty
6.	The reason that the authors of the Constitution divided the government into three branches was
	to prevent Congress from passing laws too quickly
	to create more jobs for public officials
	to prevent any branch of government from getting too much power



SKILL 3. <u>Drawing conclusions</u> requires students to analyze data, stated or implied, and make inferences. Students must be made aware that inferences can sometimes be drawn from the inclusion of certain details and the omission of others, the use of particular vocabulary, or the tone established by a passage. They can also be made sensitive to key words and phrases sometimes used: in conclusion, we can see that, it seems that, it would seem that, therefore, etc.

Example 2

Many Africans still live in tribes. A tribe is a group that lives together in a single place. They are kept together by their own customs and their own language. (Many tribal languages have never been written down. It is difficult, therefore, for one tribe to learn to understand another.) Each tribe has its own chief. While he has great power, his rule must follow the laws and customs of his people. The land a family farms and uses for cattle does not belong to the family. It belongs to the tribe. Many of the tribes are so large that they include a million or more members. Tribes are different from each other in many ways.

Schwartz and O'Connor, Exploring Africa South of Sahara. Globe Book Company: New York, N.Y. 1973, (pp.35-36)



This selection lends itself to numerous inference questions.

Questions:

- 1. Two Africans who speak different languages probably come from
 - a. the same tribe
 - b. different tribes
 - c. different nations
- 2. A family would not be permitted to
 - a. obey their chief
 - b. follow their customs
 - c. sell the land
- 3. If a chief changed the rules of his tribe
 - a. he would be going against the traditions of the past
 - b. he would be replaced by his wife
 - c. other tribes would wage war against him
- 4. Check those statements that are likely to be true

A tribe without a written language will probably...

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_use	legends	for	teac	hing	trib	al ru	les
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have well-used libraries

SKILL 4. Cause and effect is a reading skill requiring students to determine why an event took place or why a condition exists. Students must be aware of the concept of cause-effect relationships before being asked to look for them in the material. Students can be taught to look for possible cause-effect clues ("Because..., "One reason why...," "In order to..."). Recognizing this pattern can further help students recognize and understand a main idea. Determining cause-effect relationships is also related to the skill of detecting a sequence (Skill #6 below).

Example 3

To many Africans today, the tribe is more important that the nation in which he lives. The African will think of himself as a Yoruba or an Tho rather than a Nigerian. This is because the nations that exist in Africa now did not exist before the coming of the Europeans. When the Europeans took over Africa and divided it among themselves, they drew many boundaries separating their territories



from each other. The present nations of Africa came into existence with those boundary lines. As a result many tribes were split up and found themselves in countries. In other cases many different tribes were grouped together in the same nation.

Rosenfeld and Geller, <u>Afro-Asian Culture Studies</u>. Barron's Educational Series, <u>Inc.</u>: New York, 1973, p. 153.

Questions: Choose the correct ending for each sentence. Select your

answers from the causes given.
Tribes were split up because
Nations exist in Africa today because
Some nations contain many tribes because

Causes

- a. nations are more important than tribes.
- b. when the <u>political boundaries</u> of the country were made many tribes lived in that area.
- c. when the <u>political boundaries</u> of the country were made many nations lived in that area.
- d. national boundaries cut across tribal lands.
- e. nations didn't exist in Africa before the Europeans came there.
- f. Europeans took over Africa and divided it amongst themselves.
- SKILL 5. Categorizing is a skill that requires students to group and organize specific data according to some rational principal. Students learn to sift materials, separate major from minor details, and structure information in a new form. The teaching of this skill can logically be a development from the ranking of main idea and supporting details. In teaching this skill, teachers should help students establish categories for information. Frequently, this is done by the author; sometimes it can be done by the teacher as she prepares the students for the reading. Once the idea has caught on, students should be encouraged to establish their own categories.



Example 4

Civil rights are limits on the power of the government. Guaranteed to you by the Constitution and its amendments, these rights may be divided into three <u>categories</u>: personal freedom rights, justice rights, and property rights.

Your personal freedom rights give you the right to be owned by no man. They also give you the rights to think, talk, and move about as you wish. These are the most basic of your rights. They are rights that you use every day of your life.

Your justice rights are your guarantees that you will be treated fairly if you are ever accused of a crime and placed on trial. They give you the right to be aformed of the accusation made against you and the right to have a lawy to help in your defense. You have the right to an <u>impartial</u> jury. You cannot be forced to testify against yourself and you have the right to confront your accusers and a further right to have witnesses called who can testify in your behalf. If you should be accused of a federal crime, ou can be brought to trial only if you are accused by a grand jury.

Your property rights give you the right to buy, own, and sell all kinds of property.

Adapted from Ball and Rosch, Civics. Follett: Chicago, 1973. p.116-117

Questions

Directions: Fill in the outline below with the major rights included under each of the three categories of your civil rights.

THREE CATEGORIES OF CIVIL RIGHTS

A.	Personal Freedom Rights
	1.
	2
	3
	4.
в.	Justice Rights
	1.
	2
	3.
	4.
	5
	6
	7.



C. Property Rights
1.
2
3
* Variation: Students can be asked to establish their own categories.
SKILL 6. Detecting a sequential pattern in a selection entails reading to learn
the chronological order of a series of events. This involves a knowledge of tense,
and of such signal words as: first, then, next, before, after, last, meanwhile, in
retrospect, previously. Flashbacks and presentation of material out of order pose
special problems. Note that the same paragraph was used previously in developing
cause and effect and is now used to develop questions for detecting sequential
patterns. Example 5
To many Africans today, the tribe is more important that the nation in which he lives. The African will think of himself as a Yoruba or an Ibo rather than a Nigerian. This is because the nations that exist in Africa now did not exist before the coming of the Europeans. When the Europeans took over Africa and divided it among themselves, they drew many boundaries separating their territories from each other. The present nations of Africa came into existence with those boundary lines. As a result many tribes were split up and found themselves in different countries. In other cases many different tribes were grouped together in the same nation.
Rosenfeld and Geller, Afro-Asian Culture Studies. Barron's Educational Series, Inc.: New York, 1973, p. 153.
Questions: Write T or F (True or False) before each sentence.
In Africa nations care in being after tribes.
There were forubas and Ibos before there were Nigerians.
There were Europeans in Africa before there were Ibos.
There were Europeans in Africa before there were Nigerians.
Activity: Use numbers 1, 2, 3 to indicate which event happened first, second, and third.
Modern African nations are created.
Furnance take area Assiss

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Africa exists without nations.

SKILL 7. Making comparisons and contrasts involves patterning factual material to highlight similarities and differences. Key phrases student should recognize are similarly, likewise, on the other hand, in contrast, but, conversely. Again punctuation and grammar cluss are important; parallel structure, for instance, indicates relationship.

Example 6

In America, when a young couple marries, they move into a home of their own. In Africa the wife goes to live with her husband's family. In our country young people choose the husband or wife whom they wish to marry. In Africa the marriage is usually arranged by the parents. This means that the parents may actually pick the mate for their son or daughter to marry. More often, however, a young man neets a girl whom he likes. He then reports this fact to his father and must get his approval. His father and several other members of the family then arrange to visit the girl's parents to get their approval and to discuss the marriage. Part of the discussion involves the payment of what is known as "bride price" or "bridewealth." The young man has to make some kind of payment to the girl's father before he is allowed to marry her. This payment is usually in the form of cattle or sheep or another type of currency. This does not mean that the man is buying his wife. The bride price is a symbol that the union of the two people is legitimate. It is also a form of compensation for the father of the bride who is not only losing a daughter but a worker as well.

Rosenfeld and Geller, Afro-Asian Culture Studies. Barron's Educational Series, Inc.: New York, 1973, p. 151

ACTIVITY: Place each custom under the appropriate heading.

- 1. Young people choose the person that they wish to marry.
- 2. Young married couple moves in with husband's family.
- 3. Young married couple moves into home of their own.
- 4. Husband can only have one wife at a time.
- 5. Husband can have more than one wife at a time.
- 6. Before marriage husband-to-be gives father of the bride a payment.
- 7. It is not customary to pay a "bride price."
- 8. Father may choose wife for his son.
- 9. Mother may choose husband for her daughter.
- 10. Parents must approve of the mates that their children select.

CUSTOM OF AFRICANS	CUSTOM OF AMERICANS
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SKILL 8. Distinguishing fact from opinion. As with establishing cause and effect relationships and drawing inferences, distinguishing fact from opinion requires substantial pre-teaching before students can be asked to deal with it in a reading situation. The distinction is frequently difficult and often requires considerable sophistication and critical ability. Students must learn to identify verbal clues ("Some people think...," "It is believed that..."), develop sensitivity to connotations and "loaded terms," detect bias, and learn to deal with verifiable facts as well as false or inaccurate statements which pass for fact. After determining what an author is saying, students must learn to ask the appropriate questions: "Is it so?" "How can we tell?"

Example 7

Most scientists now believe that Africa was the birthplace of mankind. In 1959 Dr. Leakey, an anthropologist, discovered the fossilized bones of a skull in northern Tanzania. This, he claimed, we the "oldest example of man on earth," born over 600,000 years ago. It is now thought that this creative lived as far back as 1,850,000 years ago. What this creature I had like, what color his skin was and how such hair he had lived possible to know. But Dr. Leakey called this creature a man because it was found together with chipped pebble tools. This ability to make tools is one of the things that distinguishes a man from the apes. In February, 1971, bones were found in Kenya dating back about 5 million years. On the basis of all this evidence is believed that mankind began in Africa and from there gradually wandered in parts of the world.

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Question	opinions. Then place F (Fact) to n 0 to each sentence. Be able to give reasons or argume to supply the supply
1.	Dr. Leakey discovered fossilized bones of a lin non mia.
2.	Dr. Leakey discovered a skull in 1959.
3.	This creature was born over 600,000 years ago.
<u> </u> 4.	This creature was the oldest-example of man on earth.
5;	The skull was found together with chipped tools.
6.	In 1971, bones were found in Kenya dating back about 5 million years.
7.	Mankind began in Africa and from there gradually wandered to other parts



SKILL 9. Application involves the use of information in a new situation. The effectiveness of the reading can be judged best by the extent to which it influences action and attitudes. Students should be trained to relate the material to other information in order to solve problems, predict outcomes, clarify values and establish new hypotheses. It is the most sophisticated skill dealt with here, encompassing all of the others. It is essential to students' true understanding of social studies and their independence as readers and thinkers.

Example 8

The President has much to do with the making of laws. He sends messages to Congress asking for laws he thinks the nation needs. If Congress adjourns without passing the laws he has asked for, he may call it back for a special session. He may also, as we have seen, veto bills passed by Congress.

Schwartz and O'Connor, Exploring our Mation's History. Globe Book Co., Inc.: New York, 1969, p. 147.

Questions: List two examples of the President's use of his legislative (law-making)

powers within the last year (month, week, etc.)

1.

2.

Decide which of the following headlines illustrates the use of one of the President's legislative powers. Write "YES" in the blank next to the headline if it doe show his law-making powers. Write "NO" in the blanks that do not show his law-making powers.

1. President Appoints New Federal Judge.

2. President Asks Congress to Cut Taxes.

3. Congress Goes Home For Vacation.

4. President Signs New Treaty with Soviet Union.

5. President Vatoes, New Social Security Law as Too Expensive.

Example 9

In America when a young couple marties they move into a home of their own. In Africa the wife goes to live with her husband's family. In country young people choose the husband or wife whom they wish to mark. In Africa the marriage is usually arranged by the parents. This means the parents may actually pick the mate for their son or daughter to make the More often, however, a young man meets a girl whom he likes. He then apports this fact to this father and must get his approval.

*Note this same passage was previously used to teach making comparisons and contrasts.



His father and several other members of the family then arrange to visit the girl's parents to get their approval and to discuss the marriage. Part of the discussion involves the payment of what is known as "bride price" or "bridewealth." The young man has to make some kind of payment to the girl's father before he is allowed to marry her. This payment is usually in the form of cattle or sheep or another type of currency. This does not mean that the man is buying his wife. The bride price is a symbol that the union of the two people is legitimate. It is also a form of compensation for the father of the bride who is not only loosing a daughter but a worker as well.

Rosenfeld and Geller, Afro-Asian Culture Studies. Barron's Educational Series, Inc.: New York, 1973, p. 151.

Questions:

- 1. Based on your knowledge of wedding customs in the United States, what are some of the rituals involved? ("Something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue" is an example of a ritual.)
- 2. A young African city-dweller wants to marry a girl of a different tribe.

 His parents back in the village opposed this union.
- a. What problem does this present?
- b. What are the alternatives?
- c. What are the consequences?
- d. How would you advise the people involved?
- e. Do you think this situation would present a problem in fifty years? Why?
- 3. In the United States the divorce rate is about 1 in 3. In Africa divorce is virtually unknown. What are the values in each society that produce these results? How do these values compare with your own?
- *4. Suppose you were to help establish a "new" society. Construct a marriage contract which might include: rules, relations with in-laws, property arrangements, and any other items you wish to be include?



^{*}This is best developed as a group activity or an independent committee report.

SIGNALS

- Signals indicating additional ideas I.
 - Signals pointing to coordinating ideas

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ALSO ANOTHER PLUS OTHERWISE TOO AFTER THAT SIMILARLY

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Signals pointing to final or concluding ideas B.

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IN CONCLUSION

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TO SUM UP IN BRIEF

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IN THE END

Signals indicating a change in ideas II.

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ON THE CONTRARY

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OPPOSED TO CONVERSELY BUT IN SPITE OF TO THE HOWEVER TO THE CONTRARY

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Signals pointing to relationships III.

Time Relationships

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THEREAFTER

FINALLY

IN RETROSPECT

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AFTER, AFTER THAT AT THE SAME TIME

FOLLOWING

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D. Pointing Signals

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CHAPTER III - STRATEGIES FOR INTEGRATING READING SKILLS AND SOCIAL STUDIES

Grouping Study Guides Rewriting

Among the techniques that can be used to facilitate social studies learning by using print material are the grouping of students, the preparation of study guides, and the rewriting of materials. These techniques can support or supplement a teacher's regular mode of instruction or they can be used for a series of separate or independent activities. In either case, some form of diagnosis of student ability is essential. Equally important is a supportive classroom attitude.

Obviously, every suggestion in this manual cannot be instituted simultaneously. All suggestions must be tempered to the physical and human resources at hand - time, energy, materials - as well as to an assessment of student needs.

A. GROUPING

A number of students can be differentiated from the class at large and set to work with separate materials or at separate tasks. Grouping has many advantages:

- --it eliminates many of the problems of heterogeneity in the classroom
- -- it provides appropriate challenges for students on different levels
- --it permits students to pace their own progress, freeing them from the stigma of being too slow or from the boredom that results from work that is too easy
- --it gives the teacher an opportunity to work with the student as an individual
- --it bolsters confidence and facilitates academic success
- --it provides students with sufficient mastery of material to contribute to class discussions
- --it promotes socialization

While grouping generally works best in rooms with movable furnition particularly when socialization is desired, it is also effective in fixed situations. The basic concept is that not all students must do the same thing at the same time, but that they work at appropriate projects geared to their own interests and abilities.

Where possible, it is important to have a classroom library including alternate texts, bibliographies, pertinent fiction and current pamphlets and periodicals. The wider the variety of materials, the greater the likelihood of finding something of interest and value and at a level at which each student can succeed. This also increases the availability of illustrative material at the student's disposal.

Of course, a dictionary should be accessible.



Obviously, support personnel make grouping easier, but if paraprofessional, volunteer, or student teacher is not available, the students themselves function well as group leaders, and peer teaching can be extremely fruitful for both "teacher" and student.

Grouping by reading level

1. Homework

- students answer questions at their own level enables each student to make a contribution to a class discussion. The primary task is to develop appropriate questions at different ability levels. Students whose skills are limited to reading for information should have detected the skills should be asked more demanding questions. This type of assignment can provide the basis for more developmental lessons.
- b. Give students differentiated materials for homework so that each student can work with materials at his level. All students can be asked to answer the same questions based on the material they have read.
 - c. Give students differentiated materials and have them answer different questions based upon the materials they have read.

2. In-class Activities

Designate two to four groups based on reading level. Establish a basic assignment in a particular book. All students who can handle the material should be required to do so; students who cannot handle it should be assigned to a more appropriate equivalent. Students who cannot manage the second assignment should be given even more basic material with which to work. Students who can manage independent reading should be encouraged to do so. It is possible to assign a task to a group of students working together, or to assign the same task to each individual in a



group working on his own. Obviously this must depend on your purposes or goals. Students frequently profit from each other's assistance.

Assignments should be complete and specific enough to allow students to work in groups or on their own (see section on study guides) without teacher support. While the students are working, the teacher can single out one group for attention and proceed to teach. Or the teacher may use this time to move about the classroom, stopping to help students with individual problems, explaining necessary terms, interpreting questions or instructions, supplying additional guidance, re-directing activities, and encouraging those students who are fulfilling their assignments. Small group instruction and individual attention are important benefits of this mode of operation.

Other Bases for Grouping

- 1. According to interest: students choose their own groups on the basis of their interest in the field of inquiry. Groups might be established to investigate several current problems, with each student selecting the one of greatest concern to him. Try to keep these groups reasonably equal in size.
 - 2. According to skill: Students may be assigned to work at totally different sources of material in order to develop particular skills.
 - 3. According to point of view: Particularly in examining some controversial issue, students might be assigned to defend their position or required to defend the opposing argument instead.
 - 4. Arbitrarily: alphabetically, by location in the room, at random.

The individual students can be reading related fiction or periodical literature from the library. Where available, student Students can be using the different materials indicated to study the same topic, or may be reading on different or related topics. teachers can be used to work with the groups.

I- Reading Understanding American Government and Politics, assisted by a rexographed study guide. listening to records papers, picture file, fiction, magazines, biographies, news-II- Using teacherprepared materials, assisted ndividuals: by teacher. cassettes MII- Leading Civics, using exercises included in the book. LIBRARY

B. STUDY GUIDES

A series of questions and activities keyed to written material can direct students in their reading and serve a number of purposes:

- --it can set purposes for reading
- --it can enable students to handle material that might otherwise be too difficult by breaking it into manageable units
- --it can clarify or create a structure for material
- --it can reinforce vocabulary
- -it can give practice in a particular reading skill
- --it can give guidance in scanning material for specific information
- --it can serve to teach students to get an overview of a book, chapter or shorter selection by calling attention to typographical and graphic aids (titles, subheads, introductory and summary paragraphs, and illustrations, maps and graphs)
- --it can lead the student to related readings and activities
- --it can help prepare students for participation in class discussions and thus foster a sense of achievement
- --it can help the teacher to diagnose student weaknesses, strengths and interests



Steps in the preparation of study guides

- 1. Determine the purpose for which the reading is to be done or the assignment made; decide both the basic content (or concepts) and skills to be developed.
- 2. Select a passage in keeping with your established purpose (s).

 Keep the length of the reading appropriate to the time available to students and their abilities.
- 3. Anticipate major reading problems (vocabulary; confused organization; complex, compound, and awkward sentence structure; lengthy blocks of material). Key your exercises to these particular areas. Make sure that students can perform the skills required; if the required skills have not already been taught, make a note to teach them before you distribute the guide. The inclusion of one or two answers may serve as models and bolster a sense of security or ability to perform the assigned tasks.
- 4. Specify each step to be performed in completing the project.

 Make certain that all directions are clearly expressed and within students' capalilities. If this is done well, it should not then be necessary to review the instructions when the guias is distributed.
- 5. (Optional) Provide exercises at various levels of instruction to accommodate all students. This can be done by irrading "enrichment" or "extra-credit" activities for more advanced students, as well as very easy exercises for less able ones.



6. Caution: Do not try to include every skill in every study guide, but do include vocabulary reinforcement in every study guide.

Utilization of study guides:

 Study guides may be used to direct in-class activity or as homework assignments. Several possible programs are:

System I: For one class period:

- · 1. Motivate lesson
 - 2. Students work on study guide. Teacher assists as required.
 - 3. Full class discussion (based on material in study guide).

System II: For two or more class periods:

- 1. First day: motivate lesson
- 2. First day: students begin work on study guides with teacher assisting
- 3. Second day: students continue working on study guides as or longer teacher continues with assistance or with small-group instruction
- 4. Last day: culminating activities or lessons (based on material in study guide)

System III: As homework assignment

- 1. Teach lesson
- 2. Motivate students to do assignment
- 3. Distribute study guide
- 4. (Next day) Class lesson (based on material in guide)
- 2. The use of different study guides by different students at the same time lends itself to accommodating individual interests and abilities; see section on <u>Grouping</u>.



- 3. If new skills are required by the guide, develop them before distributing it. The only times it should be necessary to teach a skill while students are using the guides is when a student did not receive or understand the original teaching.
- 4. Motivate students for learning the material. Remember that the guide is a means towards an end, not an end in itself.
- 5. Distribute the guide (s). Students should begin work immediately if the exercise is to be done in class. If the guide is to be used for homework, go over it with students first to make sure they understand the assignment.

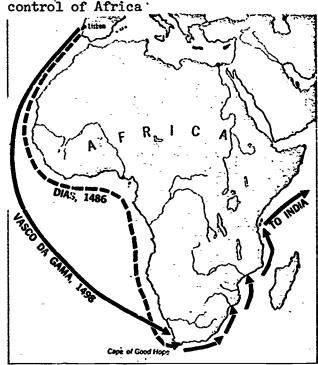
To overview chapter 5 of Schwartz and O'Connor, Exploring Africa South of the Sahara

EUROPEANS DISCOVER AFRICA

Topic to Explore; How Europeans gained control of Africa

Who Were The First Europeans to Explore Africa?

1. Africa south of the Sahara was almost completely unknown to the people of Europe until the late 1400's. Then the rulers of Portugal began a search for an all-water route from Europe to India. They were interested in trade. The Portuguese sea captains sailed along the west coast of Africa. Each time they went farther and farther south. They traded with the African tribes and returned with shiploads of gold and ivory. Finally, in 1498, Vasco da Gama rounded the southern tip of the continent, turned north and sailed on to India.



The earliest European explorers of Africa took these routes.

DIRECTIONS: Do NOT try to read through the entire article on this page.

Glance over it and the map in order to answer the questions.

Place an "X" next to the correct answer.

The main topic of this chapter is:

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Africa was unknown to people of Europe until late 1400's. Europeans discover Africa. Portugese sea captains sailed to Africa.
The topic we are going to explore is: Rulers of Portugal were interested in trade. How Europeans gained control over Africa. The route to India.
The first paragraph answers this question: Which direction Vasco Da Gama took in sailing towards India? Is Africa an undiscovered continent? Who were the first Europeans to explore Africa?
The map shows the continent of:
Australia America Africa
The arrows on the map point the way to: Africa

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SAMPLE STUDY GUIDE

CHAPTER 7 B - THE CONSTITUTION UNITES THE NATION

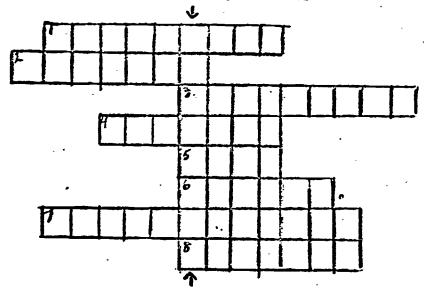
SURVEY:

- 1. (p.111) What will we learn about the Constitution in this chapter?
- 2. Picture Study (p.111)
 What does the picture tell us about Ben Franklin?

REVIEW: (p.112)

- a. Why did the colonists want a new plan of government?
- b. What was this plan called?

VOCABULARY: Do this puzzle by answering 1 through 8 below. Use the vocabulary list on page 111 to help you. When you finish, the word between the arrows will tell you the type of nation the U.S. is.



- 1. This type of government represents all the people.
- 2. To make something equal in power.
- 3. He is the head of the U.S. government.
- 4. Another word for "blamed."
- 5. What a law is before it is passed by Congress.
- 6. Holds down a certain amount.
- 7. A written plan of government.
- 8. People born in a certain nation.



HOW WELL DID YOU READ? Read pages 112-114 to answer the following questions.

- 1. Under the Constitution, how were the powers of the government divided?
- 2. List five powers given to the national government.
- 3. Name the three parts of the national government. What is the duty of each.
- 4. What are the three main compromises in the Constitution?
- 5. How does the Constitution make sure that the national government does not gain too much power?
- 6. How does the government make sure that no part of the government gains too much power?
- 7. What is a republic?
- 8. How can citizens change our government?

SUMMARY (p. 114)

What does the summary tell us about the Constitution?

WHI.T WAS THE CAUSE? Read the pairs of statements below. Write a (1) before the statement that is a cause. Write a (2) before the statement that is a result of the cause. (effect)

Α.	 The Constitution was written. Many people thought the Articles of Confederation were too weak.
В.	 The people didn't want a national government that was too powerful. The powers of the government were divided between the national government and the states.
C.	 The delegates made a number of compromises. The delegates had many problems to solve.
D.	 The people did not want one part of the federal (national) government to gain too much power. The three branches of government can check on each other.

SAMPLE STUDY GUIDE (EMPINSIS ON VOCABULARY AND DETAIL)

AFRICA - Role of Women

Please read the story on pages 87-92 in your Blue Africa-World Study Book (Marvin, Africa, Field Educ. Pub. Inc.)

<u>VOCABULARY</u>: The words below are all used in the story. See if you can connect the words in Column "A" to their meanings or definitions listed in Column "B". Just draw a line from the word to its meaning. One is done as a sample.

COLUMN "A"	COLUMN "B"
1. brutal	a. empty
2. blank	b. to confuse, mix-up
3. sorrow	c. ordinary, usual
4. district	d. cruel, cold-blooded
5. dependence	e. an area or a place
6. common	f. sadness
7. self-improvement	g. to need or to rely on someone else
8. cultivate	h. to make your self better
9. bewilder	i. to grow or raise crops
LOCATING THE ANSWER: Please put in the le to complete each sentence.	etter (a), (b) or (c) for the best answer
is not important. 5. Many men do not like to see the role are jealous of women (b) women may think women are not smart. 6. In the past, life was simpler for we expected of them (b) the government could read. 7. In your opinion, do you think (a) we men (b) women should get less educate more education than men? FOR EXTRA CREDIT: Please explain your reas Please answer on the bace NOW. JUST FOR FUN: See if you can unscramb	ons (a) even when she knows the answer the teacher helps her. by building houses (b) by taking care tical office. family wants her to come home (b) she ltivate her garden (c) she thinks school es of women changing because (a) they take their jobs away from them (c) they omen because (a) they knew what was told them what to do (c) none of them omen should get as much education as tion than men (c) women should get on for answering Question 7 as you did. k of this paper.

SAMPLE STUDY GUIDE: DISEASE ECOLOGY IN AFRICA

Readings: Read Africa, pp. 147-152

or Africa South of the Sahara, p. 38

Ecology is the study of the relationship of living things to their environment. Millions of living things in Africa are germs. They cause diseases in other living things, like people, animals and plants. Sickness is a serious problem in the African continent.

Directions: Check the items that would help cut the sickness rate in Africa.

changing food habits	•
storing food safely	
growing more food	
spraying swamps and rivers where insects by	eed
digging toilets and wells	
keeping animals out of living areas	
building more hospitals	
training more doctors and nurses	

Which one of the suggestions listed above do you think would be <u>most</u> useful to cut the sickness rate? Tell why.

Your parents probably taught you about cause and effect to help keep you healthy when you were a little child. If you got scratched your mother washed the wound carefully, put on an antiseptic to kill germs, a bandaid for protection, and a kiss to help you feel better. Mom told you that a scratch could lead to infection. The scratch (cause) could result in a serious infection (effect) unless treated. By knowing about cause and effect, she could prevent illness and keep you healthy. Let's see how well you understand cause and effect.

Cause	Disease	Effects	<u>.</u>
1	malaria	·	<u>. </u>
2	trachoma		
3	hookwòrm		
4	bilharziasis		
5	sleeping sickness		

If you aren't feeling well, your parents probably have several home medicines and home remedies in their medicine cabinets to take care of you. If you don't get better, your parents may telephone the doctor or even rush you to the emergency room of a hospital. You are soon feeling better and your parents send you back to school with a note. People who get sick in Africa may not be so lucky.



SAMPLE STUDY GUIDE

CHECKS AND BALANCES

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To do this work you need: 1. Exploring our Nation's History 2. Pen and paper 3. A dictionary
PLEASE BEGIN BY OPENING YOUR BOOK TO PAGE 153. FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS SHE
C. THE SYSTEM OF CHECKS AND BALANCES to balance means to to check means to
The Founding Fathers were afraid that the federal government would become too powerful. They did two things to try to prevent this. The two things are:
1. 2.
Some of the Checks on the President are:
1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
(Draw a line under the part of the government that can check the President in each check you wrote.)
Some of the Checks on Congress are:
1 .
2 .
3 .
- 4 <u>.</u>
Some of the checks on the federal judiciary are:
1.
2.
3 .
D. Opinions of Checks and Balances Tell one reason why some people do not like the system of checks and balance

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Tell one reason why some people \underline{do} like the system of checks and balances.

C. SIMPLIFICATION OF MATERIAL

It is frequently desirable that a given passage be revised or rewritten in order to make it more readable for some students. The guidelines that follow can also be used in the creation of original material.

General Considerations:

- 1. Assess the level (s) of students' abilities. (See Section A: Diagnosis)
- 2. Try to locate material on the students' levels. If this is not possible it is possible to rewrite material to make it easier to read. At the end of this section there is a passage of textual material with three progressively easier revisions.
- 3. Revision is not the same as "watering down." Retain as much of the pertinent material as possible.
- 4. Be sure that revised material has simple, straight forward organization, and is grammatically accurate. Avoid slang.
- 5. For students who can barely read and who have minimal social studies background, change expository writing to anecdotal presentation.

Revising paragraphs

- Shorten paragraphs. A too solid block of print is a good place for a slow reader to get lost. Avoid paragraphs with multiple ideas or too much supportive material or too many examples.
- 2. For particularly handicapped readers, give each paragraph a heading or a number. This will help student to locate material when he must answer questions.
- 3. Avoid changing focus from one sentence to the next.



Revising sentences

- Simplify sentence structure. Reduce or eliminate modifying clauses and phrases; they tend to confuse rather than assist the reader.
- 2. Shorten sentence length. A long, involved sentence can frequently be broken into several shorter, more direct ones.
- 3. Vary sentence length. A dulling, deadening effect is created by a string of sentences of the same length and style.
- 4. Reduce the number of pronouns. Repeat the referent in order to avoid confusion.

Vocabulary considerations:

- 1. Difficult words and terms that are essential to a given subject should be retained in the rewritten material, but these should be kept to a minimum and clues in the sentence in the form of explanation, examples, or synonyms should be added, and a glossary supplied. Furthermore, it is essential to provide for pre-teaching vocabulary in context before the student ever sees the written material.
- 2. Multi-syllabic words may be difficult for students to get off the page and understand. Breaking them into their component syllables sometimes helps. Technical terms, necessary idioms and figerative language and words used in a special sense can be supported by synonyms or brief equivalents in parentheses.
- 3. Underlining new words will focus students attention on their importance.
- 4. Abstract ideas can confuse and discourage readers to whom they mean nothing. Unless they are one of the essential new words which must be included, make them as concrete as possible either by substitution or by including a short, clear example.



Aids that enhance students' ability to handle written material:

- 1. Include words and phrases that are organizational or conceptual crutches (First..., Second..., One reason that..., For example..., such as...)
- 2. Include short review and reinforcement phrases to help keep the main idea and organization of the material in mind. (The most important thing is...; In conclusion,..; As a result,...)
- 3. Physical presentation of material is important. Use visual appearance to focus attention on the material; double space, indent paragraphs strongly, use wide margins, avoid large blocks of print.
- 4. Proofread your copy very carefully to avoid misspellings and illegibility.



COMMENTS

Double space

REVISION I

The Constitution has successfully surof a growing nation. By a number of means, land for two main reasons. First, it lays Second, it is a "living" document, flexible enough to meet the changing needs vived the years as the supreme law of the down rules of procedure that must be folas you will see, Americans have been able works as well today for an industrialized approaching 200,000,000 people as it once nation of fifty states and a population lowed even when critical circumstances times. So it is that the Constitution to adapt the Constitution to changing thirteen states and 4,000,000 people. worked for an agricultural notion of

Maintain concept by including

illustration.

Reduce number of modifying clauses. Number the paragraphs Shorten sentences

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country must follow at all times, in is that it tells the rules that the good times and in difficult times.

(From Rise of the American Nation,

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will just ignore it." No. The Constity when anyone can say, "Well, we will not This means that there is never a time use the Constitution this month.

Start new paragraph to break up block of print. (if logic is not Retain "difficult" but germane terms. destroyed)

Change a long, involved sentence into several short ones.

A second reason why the Constitution has lasted is that it can be changed tion must be used at all times. when the country changes.

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flexible.

ORIGINAL

In 1791 we had thirteen states. Today we have fifty. We have changed from a changing, the Constitution was changing flexible, it works as well for us today nation of farms in 1791 to a nation of industry today. When the country was today is about 200,000,000. In 1791 our population was about 4,000,000. too. Because the Constitution is as it did in 1791. The most important law in the U.S.A.

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Numerals can replace words.

Organizational word clue.

Shorten paragraph length if logic permits.

Present 'new' multi-syllable word in syllables.

Retain vital vocabulary.

2 is the Con sti tu tion. It is the supreme

Replace abstract word.

3 law of the U.S.

Repetition reinforces the idea.

There are two main Why has the Constitution The Con sti tu tion was written in 6 survived for so long? 5 the year 1791. 7 reasons. One reason the Constitution has survived 9 is that it tells us the rules that must be We can never say, 10 used at all times. Φ

11 "We will not use the Constitution today." 12 No. We must always use it. A second reason it has survived is that Today our population is 15 U.S. has changed in many ways since 1791. 16 For example, our population in 1791 was In 1791 we had 13 It is flexible. 14 it can be changed. 18 about 200,000,000. .17 about 4,000,000. 13

Today we have 50 states.

19 states.

It is <u>flexible</u>. The U.S.A. has changed in many ways since 1791. Our population today is about 200,000. In 1791 our population was about 4,000,000.

In 1791 we had thirteen states. Today we have fifty. We have changed from a nation of farmers in 1791 to a nation of industry today. When the country was changing, the Constitution was changing, too. Because the Con-

but today most people work in industry. When the U.S.A. changed, the Con-In 1791 most people worked on farms, stitution changed, too, That is why the Constitution works as well for us today as it did in 1791. ผ 23 2 8 なな 22 Reduce abstract to concrete.

stitution is flexible, it works as

Shorten paragraphs.

Reduce from abstract to concrete. Replace referent pronouns with repetition of noun. Retain wital vocabulary but give synonym.

Use format to express organization of ideas.

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The most important law of the U.S.A. is the Con sti tu tion. It is the supreme law of the U.S.A.

The Con sti tu tion is almost 200 years old! How can we use this one law for so many years? Why did the Constitution survive! The Constitution stayed alive because:

- 1. It tells the U.S. how to run the country at all times. We must use the Constitution in good times and in bad times.
- 2. It can be changed. When the U.S.A. changes, we can change the Constitution.

Here are some ways that the U.S. has changed since 1791:

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Today

Most people were farmers. There were 13 states. The population was about 4,000,000.

Most people work in industry.
There are 50 states.
The population is about 200,000,000.

CHAPTER IV - A TAXONOMY - A GUIDE TO SOCIAL STUDIES TEXTS

This taxonomy is a guide which integrates topic, reading level and specific skills. Pages pertaining to the topic indicated are listed under the skills which should be developed from them. If the pages are not underscored, the text provides appropriate questions; if the pages are underscored, the teacher should provide them.

For example, you wish to teach a lesson on "How a Bill Becomes a Law" and are using the text Exploring Cur Nation's History, Schwartz and O'Connor. You inspect the text and find the material you want to teach on pages 137-140. You then consult this guide and find that there are questions on this material which develop skill #5 (Categories). You also find that the material lends itself to the development of skill #6 (Sequence). The notation for skill #6 is underscored (137-142), indicating that you should develop your own questions.

If the teacher has more than one text available, this guide will be helpful in preparing multi-level assignments. The guide can also be useful for indicating topics which seem to lend themselves to the development of a particular skill:

. Legislation - sequence (6), Presidential Powers - categorizing (5).

The guide can also be used on a content basis to identify texts which are most helpful in teaching each topic. Teachers should plan to develop each of the nine reading skills in planning a unit.

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