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*Effective Reading Programs: Right to Read

ABSTRACT

This program, included in "Effective Reading Programs..., serves 150 children in kindergarten through grade 9 who are reading below grade level and show measurable potential for improvement. The activities in which children engage depend on the diagnosis of their skill deficiencies. At each grade level, a reading specialist leads small groups of from six to ten children with similar reading problems. At the elementary level, children with severe word-recognition problems are given remedial word-learning activities. General reading and language problems, including younger students deficiencies in language readiness, are treated with a language-experience approach. At the secondary level, groups are formed for children with mild and severe reading problems. All of these groups meet from two to five times a week under the direction of a reading specialist. Skills taught in these groups are reinforced by the regular classroom teacher. Children who need concentrated language readiness and beginning reading instruction are placed in an open-space second grade. In this setting, two classroom teachers and volunteer aides work with a reading specialist on an intense language readiness program. (WR/AIR)

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CORRECTIVE READING SERVICES SCHOOL DISTRICT OF UPPER DUBLIN Fort Washington, Pennsylvania

I. PROCEAN SIZE AND TARGET POPULATION

The program serves 150 children in grades K-9. Children included in the program are economically and educationally deprived. They are selected on the basis of the following needs.

Peading A.

The children's lack of reading ability seriously limits their successful adjustment to school and school work. This results in poor performance on standardized tests, achievement below grade level in other skill areas, and a negative attitude toward education. Children in grades one through three are greatly lacking in language readiness for reading or have reading levels considerably below their grade placement. Those in grades four through nine vary in reading levels; some are considerably below grade level, and others are somewhat below. All of the children have difficulty in performing adequately in other areas because of their deficiencies in reading skills.

B. Language Readiness

Some of the children in kindergarten and first grade have considerable difficulty in dealing with the appropriate uses of language in both thinking and communication. They are also limited in experiences which are basic to language development. They need concentrated instruction in listening and thinking experiences to enable them to function in classroom activities.

II. STAFF

The district elementary reading coordinator directs the program in the two elementary schools and the secondary reading coordinator in the junior high. There are two full-time reading specialists working in the elementary schools. One teaches full-time in the school with the largest project population; that other divides her time between the two schools. There is one reading specialist in the junior high. Classroom teachers work in coordination with the reading specialists in each school. A clerical teacher aide assists the reading specialists. Parent volunteers work with the children in various activities planned by the teachers.

Additional support is given to the program by a Home and School visitor who helps to improve school-home relationships through personal contacts. Two district psychologists test children and make appropriate recommendations.



III. METHODS, PROCEDURES, AND ORGANIZATION

A. Kindergarten

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1. Evaluation and Selection

The kindergarten children will be observed daily by the teachers to note those with language readiness needs. Those who evidence the greatest needs will be recommended for supplementary small group instruction.

2. Assignment and Activities

Children selected will be assigned to a small group of five or six for instruction. Reading teachers will work with the groups on a concentrated language readiness program three or four tiles a week in the reading room. Both auditory and visual equipment and varied approaches will be used.

B. Grades One through Nine

- 1. Children who are reading one or more levels below their age and grade level who show measurable potential for improvement will be identified by the classroom teachers.
- 2. Recommended children in grades one through six will be tested individually by district reading personnel. Those in grades seven through nine will be given group tests by the reading staff.
- 3. Pupils will be assigned to a corrective learning situation based on test findings.
 - a. Elementary (1) mild corrective reading problem indicating a frontal approach can be used in teaching reading skills; (2) severe word recognition problems indicating the need for individual and small group work in remedial word learning activities; (3) reading and language problems indicating the need for a language experience approach to develop improved listening and speaking, as well as reading skills; (4) language readiness lacks indicating the need for a language experience approach to develop prerequisite skills for reading; (5) comprehension problems indicating a need for small group work in developing more adequate skills.
 - b. Secondary (1) mild corrective reading problem indicating a frontal approach can be used in teaching reading skills; severe corrective problem indicating the need for concentrated small group work.



- 4. Corrective activities will take place using the following facilities, schedules, and materials.
 - four times a week with a reading specialist. The instruction will take place partly in the classroom and partly in the learning center. Extensive use will be made of the media available in and through the learning center. Varied approaches will be used to help these pupils acquire control over oral language for thinking and communication purposes. A major concern will be to deal with attitudes so that these children will become more receptive to formal reading and language activities. Basal and supplementary materials will be used when appropriate.
 - b. Reading and language groups for grades one and two will be organized on a grade level basis and will meet two to four times a week with a reading specialist. The majority of the instruction will take place in their regular classrooms (self-contained or open space), and some will be in the learning center. Extensive use will be made of the equipment in the learning center to help those children develop oral language experiences for thinking and communication. Language experience approach and appropriate basal and supplementary materials will be used in instruction. Classroom teachers and reading specialists will work coordinately. Parent volunteers will be used with individuals and small groups of children in reenforcing activities.
 - c. Corrective groups for grades two through six will be organized on a grade level basis and will meet two times a week with a reading specialist. The majority of the instruction will be conducted in the classroom. At times, the groups may be scheduled in the learning center where media and individual learning facilities are available. Reading activities will be planned coordinately with the classroom teacher and will be prescribed for each child on the basis of needs. Basal, supplementary, and high interest-low vocabulary materials will be used. Parent volunteers will be used with individuals and small groups.
 - d. Severe word recognition problems will be assigned to small groups or to individual classes with a reading specialist trained in the use of the remedial word learning technique (Fernald). Pupils will meet three times a week in a reading room that is more private and free of noise and visual distractions. The reading specialist will be responsible for most of the child's formal reading instruction. She will work closely with each child's classroom teacher so that a maximum of reenforcement and transfer will be possible when the child is in his regular classroom. High interest supplementary materials will be used.



- e. Severe reading problems for seventh grade will be assigned to the learning center for one period daily. There will be ten to twelve pupils in this group. They will receive concentrated instruction in reading and related language arts. Others from seventh and eighth grades with less severe problems will be assigned to the learning center a minimum of twice weekly. There will be from six to twelve pupils in these groups. Instruction will also street rading and related language arts. High interest-low vocabulary, programmed, and specific skills materials will be used.
- f. Comprehension and reading-study skills groups for grades seven through nine will be organized on a grade level basis and will meet two to five times a week with a reading specialist in the reading room. Group .ize will range from one to twelve. Comprehension and study skills for the content areas will be stressed. Work will be coordinated with the regular classroom program through frequent communication with the classroom teachers involved. Skills materials for developing reading-study skills will be used.

IV. EVALUATION PROCEDURES

The following evaluation procedures are used to measure the effectiveness of the program. Testing is done in September for children in grades one through nine who have not been in the program previously. All children in the program are tested in May of each year.

- A. <u>Jansky Readiness Screening Index</u> is administered to children on readiness level.
- B. Standardized Tests of Achievement an appropriate form of the Gates-<u>KacGinitie Reading Tests</u> will be used for pupils in grades two through nine.
 - 1. Primary A Vocabulary and Comprehension, Grade 1
 - 2. Primary B Vocabulary and Comprehension, Grade 2
 - 3. Primary C Vocabulary and Comprehension, Grade 3
 - 4. Survey D Speed, Vocabulary, and Comprehension for Grades 4-6
 - 5. Survey E Speed, Vocabulary, and Comprehension for Grades 7-9

C. Informal Tests of Achievement

- 1. Informal Reading Inventory, Upper Dublin (Grades 1-6)
- 2. Word Recognition Test, Temple University (Grades 1-6)
- 3. Informal Spelling Inventory, Temple University (Grades 1-6)
- 4. Word Opposites, Upper Dublin (Grades 7-9)



V. COST

- A. Total cost of instructional materials for a class of thirty \$1,050.00
- B. Scurces and amounts of funding -
 - 1. Federal Title I \$43,000.00
 - 2. State Appropriation \$17,189.00
 - 3. Local Real Estate, Per Capita, Act 511, Delinquent Taxes \$24,065.00
 - 4. Private Interest and other sources \$1,719.00



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Reading

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ABSTRACT

This program, included in "Effective Reading Programs..., * serves 1,200 students in K-5 at three elementary schools. Most of the students are black, live in the inner area of a large city, and come from low-income families. The program provides an opportunity for diagnostic treatment, remediation, motivation, and observation of each individual student. For example, at six-weak intervals, children are given several comprehensive diagnostic tests. The major purpose of these tests is to give the teachers periodic informal evaluations of pupils strengths and weaknesses in selected reading skills and to guide them in pinpointing the instructional needs of specific children. The general program objectives are as follows: to provide developmental and corrective reading experiences for all students in the program; to improve academic achievement; to organize reading centers providing special reading instruction for the most severely retarded students; to encourage teachers to use a variety of reading materials and teaching techniques; and to involve students, teachers, and parent tutors in a nontraditional learning environment. Inservice training is an important component and features bimonthly workshops. (WR)

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Please answer each item carefully and completely before you return this form. The information you provide will be used for evaluating your program for further consideration in this study.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION FORM

SECTION I -- Identification Information Program Title Right-to-Read CIP* Reading Program Director Louise George Title Coordinator Address 2930 Forrest Hill Dr., S. W., Atlanta, Phone 761-5411 Georgia 30315 Sponsor (school district or other) Atlanta Public Schools Superintendent or director Dr. Alonzo A. Crim Address 224 Central Avenue, S. W. Phone 659-3381 Atlanta, Georgia 30303 Address where your program is operating E. A. Ware - 569 Hunter St., N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30314 Herndon - 1075 Simpson Pd., N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30314 Fowler - 595 Fowler St., N.V., Atlanta, Georgia 30313 If you know any, please list one or two other school districts or sponsoring (5) institutions where the total program named in Item 1 is being duplicated. Educational Facility Address and Zip Code

^{*} The Comprehensive Instruction Program (CIP) is a locally funded project. Its purpose is to provide diagnostic measures and inservice training for teachers to insure pupil development in reading and math. Tests are supplied to teachers for development of diagnostic prescriptions several times each year.



SECTION II	Program	Screening	Information
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		Three years or more	[V]	
		None of these (If none, indicate whv)		
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	Do you plan to keep your program operating for at least two more years (through the 1974-75 academic year)? Current program funding is sche However, a new proposal is being submisuccessful components identified from	itt ed and the Atlanta system will	l continue	(
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Are 20 percent or more of your program students in any of the following categories?	American Eskimo, Aleut, or Indian Black Oriental or Asian Spanish-speaking White * All others	YES NO X	(30 (33 (39 (40 (41

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and above the gain expected in a comparison group)?* (If more than one estimation,	One-half of a standard deviation unit			
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SECTION III -- Brief Descriptive Information

In what year did the program begin operation? 1972 (Year)

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How many program participants and classes (groups) are there in your program? If this is a school-based program, indicate enrollment by class and grade level

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Grade or Other Level	Number of Participants	Number of Classes or Groups
K	194	7
1	217	8
2	216	9
3	133	9
4	217	9
5	182	8
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Please list the major instructional strategies used to help clients improve their reading-related skills. Briefly describe, if necessary. *

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A.	'Six-prong approach"	B. Parent tutors to help individualize
	1. School tone 2. Teaching style	and release teachers for inservice.
	3. Curriculum 4. Demonstration	
	5. Inservice 6. Community involvement	*descriptions can be found in Bluep-int
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Are there any major program features (e.g., parent involvement) which are not included in your list of instructional strategies above and are not included in your list of key program objectives in the chart at the end of this questionnaire? If so, please list up to three (3) of these major program features. Briefly describe, if necessary.

1. Demonstration teachers task force from Ware conducted inservice at

herndon and Luckie in 1972-73. In 1973-74 teachers from Ware and Herndon will be working with staff from Fowler.



Most Essential Items of Materials and/or Equipment	Quantity for 30 Students	-
Phonics We Use	Whatever	Availability
Barnell-Loft Specific Skills	Needed Whatever	Cormercial
SRA Reading Kits	Needed 1 Kit	Commercial Commercial
Continental Press Reading/Thinking	Skills Whatever	
Classroom Paraul 1 74	Needed \$1.50 per room	Commercial Commercial
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	What were the results? How did the target group perform or change? (See two : tached evaluation reports)	1. A total pupil gain of nearly one month for each month of instruction. 2. Mean gains of tutored pupils were higher than one month for each month of instruction. 3. Accomplished in all 3 schools. 4. Very positive in 2 of the schools. 4Very positive in 2 of the schools.	
	What assessment techniques and instruments were used to measure student ichievement of each objective in Column 1? For example: TestSpecify title, level, form, and developer or publisher ObservationOf what? By whom? Teacher reportOf what?	lanta Right-to-Read " " " " " " " " " "	
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ATLANTA'S RIGHT-TO-READ PROGRAM, 1972-73 A BLUEPRINT FOR COMMITMENT

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ATLANTA'S RIGHT-TO-READ -- A SIX PRONG APPROACH AND ITS EFFECT ON E. A. WARE, LUCKIE STREET AND A. F. HERNDON ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

In 1972-73 three elementary schools in the Atlanta School System were involved in the Right-to-Read Project: E. A. Ware, Luckie Street, and A. F. Herndon. The goals and objectives of the national Right-to-Read effort demand full community cooperation and participation in local programs. As Ware Elementary School had been involved in the Educational Improvement Project since 1965, a program which also hinges on cooperative community involvement, Ware was chosen as the impact sight for Right-to-Read. Success of the program at Ware was then replicated in the two satellite schools, Herndon and Luckie. Development of the local program was based on the following assumptions:

- 1. That measurable intelligence can be developed or improved by stimulating environmental situations.
- 2. That reading is an important aspect of communication and can be developed and expanded throughout life.
- 3. That the establishment of reading centers for remediation will provide opportunity for diagnostic treatment, motivation, observation, and growth of each individual student.
- 4. T'at reading, a communicative skill, is closely related to listening, speaking, and writing. These four language arts are sequentially related to one another.
- 5. That the reader's facility in the use of language is directly related to comprehension.
- 6. That the improvement of reading skills will improve the achievement in the content areas.
- 7. That the extension of psychological, mental, social, and emotional experiences of the students will result in the development of an improved citizenry better prepared for the future.

General program objectives were:

- 1. To provide developmental and corrective reading experiences for all students enrolled in kindergarten through grade seven.
- 2. To organize reading centers providing remedial work for the most severly retarded students.



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- 3 To focus attention on raising the sights of all students involved in the program.
- 4. To apgrade teaching techniques of all teachers.
- 5. To improve the academic achievement in the content areas of all students as a result of an increased reading efficiency.

The design for Ware's successful reading program hinged on a "six prong approach" to school achievement. The six prongs were (1) school tone, (2) teaching style, (3) curriculum, (4) demonstration, (5) inservice, and (6) community

School tone includes the physical aspects of the school plant, administrative philosophy, emotional mood of faculty and students as well as learning environment, the focus on change and community involvement.

Teaching style centers attention on diagnostic procedures of teachers, individualization of instruction, evaluation and interaction of teachers and students in the learning environment; including the physical aspects of the room, teacher decorum, and management.

The curriculum refers to content, subject matter, or that which is to be taught and learned.

Demonstration teaching refers to observing sequential teaching of reading skills on a grade level for a given number of weeks or months.

Inservice education includes planned regular instruction on school time. In addition it includes evaluation of instruction by outside consultants, attendance at local, state, and national professional meetings, and visits within the schools as well as reimbursing tuition to teachers and librarians for one graduate course in the reading sequence taken during the summer.

Community involvement encompasses hiring and training of a given number of community parents as part-time parent tutors; to assist classroom teachers in providing students with optimal learning opportunities, which in turn will help them (parents) function more effectively as facilitators of learning. Parent tutors also relieve the classroom teacher for scheduled inservice sessions.

The Atlanta Public School System committed itself to the Right-to-Read effort by making the following resources available as an integral part of the program:

Comprehensive Instructional Program - Supplies and schedules administration of CIP tests for grades one through three (in 1973-74, grades one through seven). Personnel to aid teachers in interpreting results.



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Testing and Guidance Services - Supply and schedule administration of standardized achievement pretest and posttest.

Research and Development Evaluation of student achievement, assessment of effectiveness of program, and dissemination of information.

Department of Learning Resources in Title I - Media specialists and librarians are available for services when needed.

Area I Resource Personnel - (In 1973-74 this will include Area IV Resource Personnel.)

The specific objectives and procedures of the Atlanta Right-to-Read Program are as follows:

- 1 To raise the average reading level of students one month for each month of instruction.
- 2. To organize reading centers in each school to offer special reading instruction to selected students in grades four through seven, and to improve the i reductional skills of the faculties.
- 3. To involve students, staff, and parents in a learning environment that breaks "traditional" teaching methods.
- 4. To utilize parent tutor aides efficiently for individualized and small group instruction.
- 5. To give teachers access to a wide range of materials, and to encourage utilization of a variety of techniques.

In order to implement these objectives and procedures through the six prong approach the following steps were taken:

Implementation of Six-Prong Approach

GOALS

Positive School Tone

ACTION STEPS

- Faculty and Staff re-orientation sessions on the purpose and procedures of local R₂R Program.
- 2. School Organization explained.
- Reading Centers established and students assigned.
- 4. Learning Centers organized in each classroom.
- Cultural enrichment activities for pupils and parents.



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Teaching Style

- 1. Eighteen two-hour workshop sessions with teachers on each grade level stressing phonics, comprehension, and classroom organization.
- Purchase of books for teachers.
 (Julie Hay, Charles Wingo, Mary C. Hletke, Reading With Phonics).
- 3. Invite consultants.
- 1. Interpret and evaluate achievement test scores.
- 2. Administer EIP developed reading diagnostic test.
- 3. Sequential behavioral objectives in all subject areas to be analyzed and used in prescribing for individualized instruction.
- 1. Impact school teachers will demonstrate the sequential teaching of reading skills on grade levels. Follow-up and feedback will be available through scheduled weekly visitations of coordinator to satellite schools. Help to individual teachers will be possible by releasing certain skilled teachers from the impact schools.
- 1. In-service training program for parent-tutors once weekly.
- 2. Utilizing parent-tutors to releive classroom teachers for in-service meetings.
- 1. Pre- and Post data on the reading growth of students in the program is to be secured through the Atlanta Public School System's testing program. Test data will include Iowa Tests of Basic Skills.

Curriculum

Demonstration

Community Involvement

Evaluation (Internal)

2. Students' growth through reading will be evaluated by comparative data on free reading, and teacher observations.

Evaluation (External)

1. Invite consultants to assess effectiveness of instruction.

Evaluation for 1972-73

At each of the three schools involved with Right-to-Read in 1972-73, a group of about 60 pupils were tutored in the Right-to-Read Learning Center. Matched pretest/posttest scores and gains of tutored and nontutored participants are reported in Tables 1, 2, 3, and 4.

At Herndon, higher scoring pupils were tutored because Title I was remediating the lower scoring pupils. The tutored pupils in grades five and seven made larger numerical gains than did the nontutered pupils. However, across grades four through seven, there was no significant difference between the gains made by the tutored and the nontutored groups. At all grades the tutored pupils had higher mean pretest and posttest scores. None of the groups achieved national norms, although all grades of tutored pupils were within six months of norms.

At Luckie, the lowest scoring pupils were tutored by Right-to-Read. What is most impressive at this school is that while all tutored groups pretests were considerably lower than the nontutored participants, in every grade except the seventh the posttest scores of the tutored pupils were considerably higher than the school as a whole. Separate posttests and gain scores for the nontutored pupils were not available for this school. The total posttest scores, then, are composite of the tutored participants' posttests and the non-tutored. In grades four, five, and six the nontutored participants posttest scores alone would have been lower than the total grade posttest, making the difference between tutored and nontutored participants even greater than the difference reported between the tutored and total school.

At Ware, the tutored pupils were also chosen from among the top scores on the lowa Tests of Basic Skills pretest. In every case except the seventh grade, the tutored pupils had higher pretest and posttest than the nontutored participants. In every grade except the sixth the tutored pupils gains were also higher. Also, as at Herndon, there was no significant difference between gain scores of tutored and nontutored participants.



TABLE 1

MATCHED PRETEST/POSITEST AND GAIN SCORES OF PARTICIPANTS AND NON-PARTICIPANTS IN THE RIGHT-TO-READ TUTORIAL PROGRAM AND TOTAL GRADE ON THE READING SUBTEST OF THE LOWA TESTS OF BASIC SKILLS

E. A. WARE

Groups	<u>N=</u>	Pre	Post	Gain
lth Grade			1	
Tutorial Participants	17	4.0	4.7	_
Non-Tutorial	55	2.9	4.7 3.5	.7
Total	72	3.2	3.8	. 6 . 6
h Grade				
Tutorial Participants	29	4.4	4.0	
Non-Tutorial	27	3.4	4.8 3.9	.4
Total	56	4.0	3.9 4.4	.5 .4
n Grade				• •
Tutorial Participants	6	4.8	5.8	
Non-Tutorial	10	4.1	4.6	1.0
Total	16	4.3	5.1	.5 .8
Grade				
Tutorial Participants	6	4.4	5.2	_
Non-Tutorial	8	4.6	5.2 5.3	.8
Total	14	4.5	5.3	.7 .8



TABLE 2

MATCHED PRETEST/POSTTEST AND GAIN SCORES OF "ARTICIPANTS AND AND NON-PATICIPANTS IN THE RIGHT-TO-READ TUTORIAL PROGRAM AND TOTAL GRADE ON THE READING SUBTEST OF THE IOWA TESTS OF BASIC SKILLS

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			Grade Equivalent		
Groups	<u>N=</u>	Pre	Post .	Gair	
4th Grade					
Tutorial Participants	16	4.0	4.2	0.2	
Non-Tutorial	56	2.9	3.3	0.4	
Total	72	3.2	3.5	0.3	
5th Grade					
Tutorial Participants	19	4.9	5.5	0.6	
Non-Tutorial	56	3.6	3.9	0.3	
Total	75	4.0	4.3	0.3	
6th Grade					
Tutorial Participants	11	5.8	6.3	0.4	
Non-Tutorial	74	4.2	4.8	0.6	
Total	85	4.4	4.9	0.5	
7th Grade					
Tutorial Participants	16	6.2	7.0	0.8	
Non-Tutorial	50	4.4	4.9	0.5	
Total	66	4.8	5.4	0.6	



TABLE 3

MATCHED PRETEST/POSTTEST AND GAIN SCORES OF PARTICIPANTS AND NON-PARTICIPANTS IN THE RIGHT-TO-READ TUTORIAL PROGRAM AND TOTAL GRADE ON THE READING SUBTEST OF THE IOWA TESTS OF BASIC SKILLS

LUCKIE STREET

Groups	<u>N=</u>	Pre	Post	Gain
ith Grade			;	
Tutorial Participants	16	3.0	4.0	1.0
Non-Tutorial		3.7		0
Total		3.1	3.7	.6
th Grade				t
Tutorial Participants	7	3.3	5.4	2.1
Non-Tutorial		4.1		
Total		3.7	4.1	.4
h Grade				
Tutorial Participants	6	4.3	5.7	1.4
Non-Tutorial	•	5.0	0.7	1.4
Total		4.8	5.0	.2
			3,3	. 2
h Grade				
Tutorial Participants	10	5.3	6.2	0.9
Non-Tutorial	•	6.7		0.5
Total		5.6	6.7	1.1



TABLE 4

TOTAL MEAN PRETEST/POSTTEST AND GAIN SCORES OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE RIGHT-TO-READ PROGRAM ON THE READING SUBTEST OF THE IOWA TESTS OF BASIC SKILLS

Groups	<u>N=</u>	Pre	Post	Gain
th Grade				
Tutorial Participants	49	3.7	4.3	. 6
Total		3.2	3.7	.5
th Grade			•	
Tutorial Participants	55	4.2	5.2	1.0
Total		3.9	4.3	.4
h Grade				
Tutorial Participants	23	5.0	5.9	.9
Total		4.5	5.0	.5
h Grade				
Tutorial Participants	32	5.3	6:1	.8
Total	'	5.0	5.8	.8

All three schools did organize and are operating reading centers. As every child in each participating school is technically a "Right-to-Read" pupil, all faculty members receive in-class and on-site inservice, and all pupils have access to center materials. Interest centers, and the use c. art and drama to integrate reading and language arts into all phases of curriculum were developed and are being used at all class levels. Across-school training and demonstrations are facilitated by use of the parent tutors, who fill-in in the classrooms when the teachers are receiving instruction.

To summarize pupil test results then, at all three schools, with few exceptions, the Right-to-Read tutored participants did gain a months score for each month of instruction. Ware and Herndon tutored participants were chosen from high pretest scorers because Title I was remediating the low scoring pupils. In all cases, Title I personnel provided assistance in program planning and implementation.



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In keeping with the commitment of Right-to-Read to encourage teachers to utilize a variety of techniques and most particularly to individualize instruction and provide highly motivating material to their pupils, the Opinionnaire on Attitudes Toward Education developed by Lindgren and Patton was administered to all teachers and aides at Ware and Herndon and to all Right-to-Read parent tutors at Herndon, Luckie, and Ware. This instrument was constructed to measure attitudes toward child-centered policies and practices in education. Teachers' attitudes toward education play an important part in creating school climate, and a child-centered rather than subject-centered climate is necessary in moving toward individualization.

The instrument is a 50-item scale. The statements are concerned with the desirability of understanding the behavior of students, the desirability of the teachers using authoritarian methods as a means of controlling the behavior of students, and the desirability of subject matter centeredness as compared with learner child centeredness.

The attitude score is the number of positive items agreed with plus the number of negative items disagreed with, where positive items are favorable toward child centered practices. The theoretical range of scores is from 0 to 50, with the highest scores indicating more favorable attitudes toward child-centered policies and practices in education.

Twenty-six teachers and aides from Herndon responded to the Questionnaire. Their mean score was 37.0 with a range of 29 through 46. Twenty-eight teachers and aides at Ware responded to the Questionnaire and had a mean score of 36.8. The Title IV-A Day Care staff also responded to the Questionnaire, and of the eleven responding the mean score was 34.7. All the Right-to-Read parent tutors responded to the Questionnaire, five at Herndon, five at Luckie Street, and six at Ware. Their mean score was 32.2.

These scores are high enough to indicate favorable attitudes in all groups toward child-centered policies and practices. These data are presented in Tables five and six.

Luckie Street school was closed at the end of the 1972-73 school year due to shifting population patterns. Fowler Elementary School is to take its place in this final funded year of Right-to-Read. It would seem at this point that the project has achieved stated purposes and is providing information to the entire school system on the planning, implementation, operation, and evaluation of a new, totally integrated approach to reading instruction in the elementary schools.



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OPINIONNAIRE ON ATTITUDES TOWARD EDUCATION
WARE, APRIL, 1973

	Mean	<u>N=</u>
y Care		
Teachers with Aides	34.7	3
Aides	34.8	: 8
Total Day Care	34 .7	11
ementary		
Teachers with Aides	35.1	13
Teachers without Aides	37.9	11
Aide COP*	39.5	2
Aide non-COP*	37.5	2
Total Elementary	36.8	28

^{*}All elementary aides were paid under Title I. However, the Career Opportunities Program (COP) aides were also supported as college education majors by COP.

TABLE 6

OPINIONNAIRE ON ATTITUDES TOWARD EDUCATION APRIL, 1973

RIGHT-TO-READ PARENT-TUTORS

		
	<u>Mean</u>	<u>N=</u>
Herndon	33.6	5
Luckie Street	32.2	5
E. A. Ware	31.0	6
OVERALL	32.2	16



Fowler Elementary School has replaced Luckie as a satellite Right-to-Read site. Teachers from Ware and Herndon have been conducting regular inservice in principles and methods of the Right-to-Read concept to all staff at Fowler.

Profiles of all <u>Iowa Tests</u> of <u>Basic Skills</u> (ITBS) scores given in April, 1973 are shown in Tables 1, 2, 3, and the summary index shows the per cent of achievement of predicted scores and of national norms. Herndon was the only Right-to-Read school which did not reach at least an average 100 per cent of prediction. They were an average of 97 per cent of prediction — but the predicted scores for this school were higher than for the others.

In 1972 and 1973 selected pupils were tutored in the Right-to-Read reading centers. This process is described in "Rlueprint for Commitment." However, in 1973-74, the reading centers have been turned over to the general school use, most specifically, Title I. The Right-to-Read parent-tutors are involved in direct classroom work, and still provide individualized and small group instruction, and release time for teacher inservice.

This fall, all Right-to-Read schools contain only grade K-5; the sixth and seventh grades having been transferred to middle schools. Tabel 5, then, contains comparison of ITBS reading subtest scores for fourth grade tutored and non-tutored pupils (spring 1973) and matched fifth grade former tutored and former non-tutored pupils (fall 1973). No pupils are being R₂R lab-tutored this year, and all are receiving benefits of parent tutors in the classroom, yet Table 5 shows that the former tutored pupils are maintaining their significantly higher test scores.

Table 6 reports the fall 1973 mean reading subtest scores at the participating schools. In comparing this fall's scores with the reading test data in Tables 1. 2, and 4, it c n be seen that most grades are progressing. However, this is not a direct comparison as last spring's reading data is a composite of several subtest scores.

Identification of significantly effective program components is under way, so that these aspects of Right-to-Read may be replicated in other Atlanta Public Schools (as in the satellite schools -- Herndon, Luckie, and Fowler) in the future.

TABLE 1

PROFILES OF ACHIEVEMENT QUOTIENTS IOWA TESTS OF BASIC SKILLS, APRIL, 1973

WARE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

	Grade	e Equivalent Sco	re		Indices
				Predicted	National
	Actual	Predicted	National	Achievement	Achievement
Grade	Achievement	Achievement	Norm	Quotient	Quotient
		Readin	g Test Data		
2	2.0	1.9	2.7	106	7Z
3	3.2	2.5	3.8	128	84
4	3.6	3.3	4.7	108	76
5	4.1	3.9	5.7	105	72
6	4.9 .	4.5	6.7	109	7 3
7	4.9	5.3	7.6	91	64
		•	Average	107	73
•		Mathema	tics Test Data		
2	2.3	2.1	2.6	110	88
3	3.0	2.7	3.7	111	81
4	3.9	3.6	4.7	106	83
5	5.1	4.3	5.6	119	90
6	5.1	5.0	6.6	102	76
7	5.6	5.9	7.6	95	73
•	3.0	J.,	Average	107	81
		Compos	ite Test Data		
2	2.2	2.1	2.6	105	83
3	3.3	2.7	3.7	121	88
4	3.9	3.6	4.7	108	83
5 ,	4.6	4.2	5.7	110	80
6	5.9	4.8	6.7	123	88
7	6.1	5.7	7.6	107	80
-			Average	112	83

The Predicted Achievement Quotient equals the Actual Achievement divided by the Predicted Achievement Quotient. The National Achievement Quotient is the Actual Achievement divided by the National Norm.



TABLE 2
HURNDON BLENE CLARY SCHOOL

PROGRES OF ACHIEVEMENT QUOTIENTS IOWA TESTS OF BASIC SKILLS, APRIL, 1973

	Grade	e Equivalent Sco	re	Summar	y Indices
	•			Predicted	National
	Actual	Predicted	National	Achievement	Achievement
Grade	Achievement	Achievement	Norm_	Quotient	Quotient
				t	
		Readin	g Test Data		
2	2.1	2.2	2.7	95	76
3	2.5	2.6	3.8	95	66
4	3.3	3.3	4.7	100	70
5	4.1	4.0	5. 7	102	72
6	4.8	4.7	6.7	102	71
7	5.2	5.2	7.6	100	68
	•		Average	99	70
	•	Mathemat	ics Tests Data	3	
2	2.2	2.3	2.6	95	84
3	2.4	2.8	3.7	87	65
4	3. 5	3.4	4.7	101	75
5	4.5	4.3	5.6	104	79
6	4.8	5.0	6.6	96	72
7	5.2	5.5	7.6	94	68
•			Average	96	73
		Compos	site Test Data		
2	2.3	2.3	2.6	98	87
3	2.5	2.8	3.7	90	67
4	3.5	3.5	4.7	100	74
5 ⁻	4.3	4.2	5.7	102	7 5
6	4.8	4.9	6.7	98	72
7	5.4	5.4	7.6	99	70
•	2. 1	- · ·	Average	97	74

TABLE 3

LUCKIE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PROFILES OF ACHIEVEMENT QUOTIENTS IOWA TESTS OF BASIC SKILLS, APRIL, 1973

	Grade	e Equivalent Sco	re		y Indices
				Predicted	National
	Actual	Predicted	National	Achievement	Achievement
Grade	Achievement	Achievement	Norm	Quotient	Quotient
		Reading	g Tests Data		
2	1.9	1.8	2.7	106	69
3	2.6	2.6	3.8	101	68
4	3.7	3 .2	4.7	117	78
5	4.1	3.8	5.7	106	72
6	5 `	4.4	6.7	113	74
7	6.7	5.4	7.6	123	87
	,		Average	111	74
	•	Mathema	tics Test Data		
2	2.3	1.9	2.6	119	88
3	3.1	2.7	3.7	114	84
4	3.6	3.4	4.7	106	77
5	4.2	4.2	5.6	100	74
6	5.2	4.9	6.6	106	78
7	6.0	5.9	7.6	102	78
			Average	107	79
		Compos	ite Test Data		
2	2.0	1.9	2.6	103	75
3	2.8	2.7	3.7	101	75
4	3.6	3.3	4.7	107	76
5	4.1	4.1	5.7	100	72
6	4.8	4.7	6.7	103	72
7	6.3	5.7	7.6	111	82
			Average	104	7 5



TABLE -FOWLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PROFILES OF ACFIEVENCE T QUOTIENTS FOR A TESTS OF BASIC SKILLS, APRIL, 1973

	Grade	e Equivalent Sco	r <u>e</u>	Summary	y Indices
Grade	Actual Achievement	Predicted Achievement	National Norm	Predicted Achievement Quotient	National Achievement Quotient
		Reading	Tests Data	•	
Ž.	2.8	1.8	2.7	151	102
3	2.7	2.5	3.8	108	71
4	2.8	3.0	4.7	94	59
5	4.6	3.7	5.7	123	80
6	4.9	4.8	6.7	101	73
7	5.4	5.0	7.6	108	70
			Average	114	75
	•	Mathemat	ics Test Data		
2	2.9	2.0	2.6	145	111
3	2.6	2.7	3.7	97	70
4	3.1	3.2	4.7	95	66
5	4.4	4.2	5.6	105	77
6	5.2	5.2	6.6	100	78
7	6.1	5.5	7.6	111	79
			Average	108	80
		Composi	ite Test Data		
2	2.9	2.0	2.6	147	109
3	2.9	2.6	3.7	, 110	77
4	3.0	3.1	4.7	95	63
5	4.2	3.9	5.7	107	73
6	5.0	5.0	6.7	99	7 5
7	5.5	5.2	7.6	105	72
			Average	110	78

Spring and Fall Mean Scores on the Reading Subtest of the <u>Iowa Tests of Basic Skills</u> for the Tutored and Mon-tutored Parhoipants in the Right to Read Program

Herndon						
	N	Spring 1973	N	Fall 1973		
Tutored	16	4.2	14	4.7		
Non-tutored	56	2.3	64	`3.5		

			E.A. Ware		
	:	N	Spring 1973	N	Fall 1973
Tutored		17	4.7	16	5.0
Non-tutored		55	3.5	44	3.8

Pupils were fourth graders in the spring, 1973, and fifth graders in the fall, 1973. Spring testing was done in April, 1973. Fall testing was done in late November, 1973.

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Grides	F	Fowler		Herndon		Ware	
	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	
2		-	75	1.8	:54	1.7	
3	32	2.5	116	2.4	62	2.6	
ā	29	3.2	87	2.8	72	2.9	
5	22	3.9	74	3.5	59	4.1	

	-	~	Mean
) ·	116 3.2 93 3.7 82 4.4	64 73 55	4⊘ 3.7 4.7