



# PRE-READING PROBES

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## Pre-Reading Skills Assessment

Directions

Master Pages for Copying

- Response Forms 1–6

Reusable Pages

- Student Pages 1–3

Optional

## Print Letters Assessment

Directions

Master Pages for Copying

- Response Form 6
- Student Printing Pages 1–2



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**ADMINISTERING THE PRE-READING PROBES**

Administer the **Ready to Read** assessments in Kindergarten to determine if a student has the necessary pre-reading skills to start learning to read with phonics instruction.

Administer both the **Ready to Read** and **Struggling to Read** assessments to determine which pre-reading skills weaknesses are causing a student to struggle with learning to read with phonics instruction.

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**Ready to Read: Orthographic Skills**

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*Materials:*

- Response Form 2
- Student Page 1

**1. Recite the Alphabet**

*Task:* Student recites the alphabet from memory.

1. Direct student to say the letters of the alphabet in order.

*Marking:*

- Put a check next to letters given in the correct sequence.
- Write any incorrect responses on line next to letter.
- Mark a slash through any letters skipped.

*Notes:*

- Letters not clearly articulated are incorrect, such as “elemeno” for l, m, n, o.
- Check the line next to the note provided if the student says ‘elemeno’ for l, m, n, o.
- Singing the alphabet song is acceptable if the letter names are clearly articulated.

**2. LETTER NAMES**Upper Case

*Task:* Student names the upper-case letters listed in section 2 at the top of Student Page 1.

Lower Case

*Task:* Student names the lower-case letters listed in section 2 at the top of Student Page 1.

*For both assessments:*

1. Place Student Page 1 in front of student.
2. Point to the appropriate section of letters on the Student Page.
3. Direct student to point to each letter and say the **name** of the letter.

*Marking:*

- Put a check on the line next to each letter named correctly.
- Write any incorrect response on the line next to the letter.
- Slash any letter omitted.

*Notes:*

- If student says a letter **sound**:
  1. Write the sound given as a letter between two slashes next to the letter. For example, if the student says “mmm” instead of the name of the letter 'm' write /m/.
  2. Say, "**That's the sound. What's the name?**"
  3. If the student then gives the correct letter name, write '2<sup>nd</sup>' next to the letter to indicate that the student corrected the error when prompted.  
Do not repeat prompting for more than 3 letters. Count only one instance of this correct when scoring.

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**3. LETTER SOUNDS – Consonants and Short Vowels**

*Task: Student says the sounds for the lower-case letters listed in section 3 in the middle of Student Page 1.*

1. Place Student Page 1 in front of student.
2. Point to the lower-case letters in the section 3 in the middle of Student Page 1.
3. Direct the student to point to each letter and say the **sound** the letter spells.

*Marking:*

- Put a check on the line next to each letter for which the correct sound is given.
- Write any incorrect response on the line next to the letter.
- Write DK for Don't Know.
- Write NA for No Answer.

*Notes:*

- If student adds /uh/ to a sound as in /muh/ instead of /m/, write 'uh' on the line. Count as correct when scoring. If student does this with many sounds, check the line by the note provided.
- The correct sound for the letter 'c' is the hard sound /k/ and for the letter 'g', the hard sound /g/.
- The correct sounds for the vowel letters are the short vowel sounds.
- If student says /s/ for 'c', /j/ for 'g', or the long vowel sound for a vowel letter:
  1. Record the incorrect response in the space next to the letter.
  2. Say, **"It does spell that sound. Do you know another sound for that letter?"**
  3. If the student gives the correct sound, write '2<sup>nd</sup>' next to the letter to indicate that the student was prompted to correct the error.

**4. TEN PRE-READING HIGH FREQUENCY WORDS**

*Task: Student reads the 10 high frequency words listed in section 4 near the bottom of Student Page 1.*

1. Place Student Page 1 in front of student.
2. Point to the ten high frequency words case letters in section 4 near the bottom of Student Page 1.
3. Direct the student to point to and read each word.
4. You can tell student these are sight words that cannot be sounded out.

*Marking:*

- Put a check on the line next to each word read correctly.
- Write any incorrect response on the line next to the word.
- Write DK for Don't Know.
- Write NA for No Answer.

**Struggling to Read: Orthographic Skills**

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**5. LETTER SOUNDS – Digraphs**

*Task: Student says the sounds for the digraphs listed section 5 at the bottom of Student Page 1.*

1. Continue as above in section 3 Letter Sounds for the line of digraphs.

*Note: The voiced and unvoiced sounds for 'th' are both correct. Student does not need to give both.*

**Ready to Read: Phonological Skills**

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*Materials:*

- Response Form 3
- Student Page 2

*Marking:*

- Put a check in the 'Correct' box for correct responses.
- Write any incorrect responses on the lines provided.

*Note:* The response is only counted as correct if student can make the word independently on the *first* attempt.

**1. FIRST AND LAST SOUNDS**

*Note:* Use whichever terms, *first*, *beginning*, *last*, or *end*, that you think the student is most familiar with in the following two items.

Identify First Sound

*Task:* Student says the first phoneme in a spoken word supported with a picture.

*Model:*

1. Use pictures on Student Page 2.
2. Point to and name the picture as the word 'sign'.
3. Direct student to repeat the word 'sign'.
3. Ask student for the first sound in 'sign'.
4. Confirm a correct answer of /s/.  
If student provides an incorrect answer say, repeat 'sign', then provide the answer /s/ and have student repeat.  
If student says the letter name 's', tell student that is the spelling or letter name and ask for the sound.

*Tasks 1–3:*

1. Point to and name the picture (on Student Page 2) with the word.
2. Direct student to repeat the word.
3. Ask student to say the first sound.
4. If student gives a letter name, tell student that is the spelling or letter name and ask for the sound.

Identify Last Sound

*Task:* Student says the last phoneme in a spoken word supported with a picture.

*Model:*

1. Repeat modeling as for first sound above.

*Tasks 1–3:*

1. Repeat prompting as for first sound above.

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**2. PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS**Syllable - Blend Compound Words

*Task: Student orally blends two spoken words to make a compound word.*

*Model:*

1. Use the two gray rectangles at the top of Student Page 2 to represent sounds.
2. Tell student you will say two parts of a word for the student to put together to make a whole word.
3. Touch the left rectangle and say, '**pop**'.
4. Touch the right rectangle and say, '**corn**'.
5. Ask student to make a whole word from the parts.
6. If student says 'popcorn', skip the *Coaching* words and move to *Task 1*.
7. If student provides an incorrect response or says 'I don't know', model blending 'pop' and 'corn' to make 'popcorn', using the rectangles. Then, guide the student in repeating your actions.

*Coach 1 & 2:* Use the coaching words to help a student who is unable to make the word in the first attempt above.

*Tasks 1–3:*

1. Provide the two prompts touching the left rectangle as you say the first word and the right rectangle as you say the second word.
2. Direct student to say the whole word.
3. If needed, have the student touch each rectangle and repeat the prompt after you.
4. Move right into Blend 2 Syllables without modeling or coaching.

Syllable - Blend 2 Syllable Words

*Task: Student orally blends two syllables provided orally to make a word.*

*No Modeling or Coaching.*

*Tasks 1–3:*

1. Continue providing the prompts using the rectangles as above.
2. Ask student to make a whole word from the parts.
3. If needed, have the student touch each rectangle and repeat the prompt after you.

Onset-Rime

*Task: Student orally blends an onset and rime provided orally to make a word.*

*Model:*

Continue to use the two gray rectangles on the Student Page.

1. Provide the prompts /m/ and /ake/ using the rectangles as above.
2. Ask student to make a whole word from the parts.
3. If student says 'make', confirm answer as correct, skip the *Coaching* words and move to *Task 1*.

*Coach 1 -2:* Use the coaching words to help a student who is unable to make the word in the first attempt above.

*Tasks 1–3:*

1. Provide the prompts using the rectangles as above.
2. Ask student to make a whole word.
3. If needed, have the student touch each rectangle and repeat the prompt after you.

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**3. BLEND SOUNDS**

Materials:

- Response Form 4
- Student Page 3

**Blend 2 Sounds**

Task: Student orally blends 2 spoken phonemes to make a word.

Model:

1. Use the 2 gray squares at the top of Student Page 3.
2. Tell student he/she will now make words from even smaller parts.
3. Say the sounds /ē/, touching left square, and /ch/, touching right square.
4. Ask student to make a word from the sounds.
5. If student says 'each', confirm answer as correct, skip the *Coaching* words and move to *Task 1*.
6. If student provides an incorrect response or says 'I don't know', model the task and have student repeat.

Coach 1 & 2: Use the coaching words to help if student is unable to make the word in the first attempt above.

Tasks 1-3:

1. Provide the sounds touching squares as above.
2. Ask student to repeat the sounds and make a word.
3. If needed, have the student touch each square and repeat the sounds after you.

**Blend 3 Sounds**

Task: Student orally blends 3 spoken phonemes to make a word.

Model:

1. Using the 3 squares in the middle of Student Page 3 to model blending 3 sounds as with 2 sounds above.

Tasks 1-3:

1. Provide the sounds touching squares as above.
2. Ask student to make a word.
3. If needed, have the student touch each square and repeat the sounds after you.

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**4. BLEND SOUNDS****Blend 4 Sounds**

Task: Student orally blends 4 spoken phonemes to make a word.

Model:

1. Use the 4 squares at the bottom of Student Page 3 to model blending 4 sounds as above.

Tasks 1-3:

1. Provide the sounds touching squares as above.
2. Ask student to make a word.
3. If needed, have the student touch each square and repeat the sounds after you.

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**5. Substitute Sounds**

*Materials:*

- Response Form 5
- 3 colored tiles

*Task:* Student uses tiles to indicate if the first or last sound changes in a chain of spoken words.

Practice Changing First Sound

*Model:* Use 3 colored tiles to model first sound change in 'day' to 'say'.

1. Explain the first sound in 'day' can be changed to make the word 'say'.
2. Use 2 tiles to show the sounds in 'day', touching a tile for each sound.
3. Touch under each tile to show the sounds in 'say'.
4. Point out that the first sound in 'day' and 'say' is different.
5. Show changing /d/ to /s/ to change 'day' to 'say' by replacing the left tile to show the first sound change.

*Coach 1:*

1. Ask student to show what sound changes in 'say' to 'pay'.
2. If the student replaces the first tile, confirm answer and move to Coach 2.  
If student provides an incorrect response or says 'I don't know', coach the student by modeling comparing and changing the first sound. Then have student repeat your actions.

*Coach 2:*

1. Repeat steps from Coach 1 with 'pay' to 'may'.

Practice Changing Last Sound

*Model:* Use 3 colored tiles to model last sound change in 'may' to 'my'.

1. Explain the last sound in 'may' can be changed to make the word 'my'.
2. Use 2 tiles to show the sounds in 'may' touching a tile for each sound.
3. Touch under each tile to show the sounds in 'my'.
4. Point out that the last sound in 'may' and 'my' is different.
5. Show changing /ā/ to /ī/ to change 'may' to 'my' by replacing the right tile to show the last sound change.

*Coach 1:*

1. Ask student to show the change from 'my' to 'me'.
2. If the student replaces the last tile, confirm answer and move to Coach 2.  
If student provides an incorrect response or says 'I don't know', coach the student by modeling and then have student repeat your actions.

*Coach 2:*

1. Repeat steps from Coach 1 with 'me' to 'mow'.

Assess Changing First & Last Sound

*Tasks 1–6:*

1. Tell student to show continue showing sound changes but now it will be mixed up with either the first or last sound that changes.
2. Provide the prompt and ask student to repeat.
3. Ask student use the tiles to show which sound changes. Student can move tiles or just point.
4. Mark the appropriate box for student's response. "Add" means student adds a tile rather than replacing a tile. "Scramble" means student moves multiple tiles.



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**6. Chain Sounds**Practice Changing Middle Sound*Model:*

Use 4 colored tiles to model the middle sound change in 'ride' to 'rid'.

1. Explain that the middle sound in 'ride' can be changed to make the word 'rid'.
2. Use 3 tiles to show the sounds in 'ride', touching a tile for each sound.
3. Touch under each tile to show the sounds in 'rid'.
4. Point out that the middle sound in 'ride' and 'rid' is different.
5. Show changing /i/ to /ɪ/ to change 'ride' to 'rid' by replacing the middle tile to show the middle sound change.

*Coach 1:*

1. Ask student to show the change from 'rid' to 'raid'.
2. If the student replaces the middle tile, confirm answer and move to Coach 2.  
If student provides an incorrect response or says 'I don't know', coach the student by modeling and having student repeat your actions.

*Coach 2:*

1. Repeat steps from Coach 1 with 'raid' to 'rod'.

Assess Changing First, Middle, & Last Sound*Task 1–6:*

1. Tell student to show continue showing sound changes but now it will be mixed up with the first, middle, or last sound changing.
2. Provide the prompt (Change X to X.) and have student repeat.
3. Ask student use the tiles to show which sound changes. (Student can move tiles or just point to the tile that changes.)
4. Mark the appropriate box for student's response. "Add" means student adds a tile rather than replacing a tile. "Scramble" means student moves multiple tiles.

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**SCORING THE PRE-READING PROBES**

*Scoring:* Score *after* you have finished administering the Pre-Reading Probes.

1. Total the number correct for each section on the Response Form, using the lines provided.
2. Transfer total correct scores from the Response Form pages to the Student Profile on Response Form 1.
3. Shade or highlight the appropriate box to the right of each score to show student's pre-reading skills strengths and weaknesses.

**Pre-Reading Skills Required for Struggling Readers Prior to Phonics Instruction for Struggling Readers in Grade 1 and Up**

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**Orthographic Skills**

- Upper Case Letter Names: Must know all 26
- Lower Case Letter Names: Must know all 26
- Lower Case Consonant Letter Sounds: Must know 17 of the 21
- 10 Pre-reading High Frequency Words: Must be able to read all 10

**Phonological Skills**

- Blending Syllables:
  - Compound Word: 3 out of 3 correct
  - 2-syllable Word: 3 out of 3 correct
- Blending Onset-Rime: 2 out of 3 correct
- Blending 2-Sound Words: 2 out of 3 correct
- Blending 3-Sound Words: 2 out of 3 correct

**Notes:**

- Blending 4-Sound Words to prepare for reading words with blends and Phoneme Manipulation (Chaining Sounds) need to be a part of phonics instruction once students have mastered the above.
- Students will learn any of the short vowel sounds they need during beginning phonics instruction. Phonics instruction should not move on from CVC until students are solid with the short vowel letter sounds.

**Pre-Reading Skills Required for Beginning Readers Prior to Phonics Instruction for Non-Struggling Beginning Readers in Kindergarten**

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**Orthographic Skills**

- Upper Case Letter Names: Must know 25 of 26
- Lower Case Letter Names: Must know 25 of 26
- Lower Case Consonant Letter Sounds: Must know at least 15 of the 21
- 10 Pre-reading High Frequency Words: Must be able to read at least 6 of 10

**Phonological Skills**

- Blending Syllables:
  - Compound Word: 3 out of 3 correct
  - 2-syllable Word: 3 out of 3 correct
- Blending Onset-Rime: 2 out of 3 correct
- Blending 2-Sound Words: 2 out of 3 correct
- Blending 3-Sound Words: 2 out of 3 correct

**Notes:**

- Blending 4-Sound Words to prepare for reading words with blends needs to be a part of phonics instruction once students have mastered the above.
- Phoneme Manipulation (Chaining Sounds) instruction is recommended.
- Students will learn any of the short vowel sounds they need during beginning phonics instruction. Phonics instruction should not move on from CVC until students are solid with the short vowel letter sounds.

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Response Form 1  
 Assessor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Student Profile

|     |          |                    |             |
|-----|----------|--------------------|-------------|
| Low | Emerging | Almost Established | Established |
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READY TO READ

| READY TO READ: ORTHOGRAPHIC SKILLS - Assess both Kindergarten & Strugglers |                                       |  |         |         |    |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------|---------|----|
| 1. Recite the Alphabet   | _____ / 26                            | 0 - 14                                     | 15 - 21 | 22 - 25 | 26 |
|  |                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> said "elemeno"    |         |         |    |
| 2. Letter Names  | Upper Case _____ / 26                 | 0 - 14                                     | 15 - 21 | 22 - 25 | 26 |
|  | Lower Case _____ / 26                 | 0 - 14                                     | 15 - 21 | 22 - 25 | 26 |
| 3. Letter Sounds   |                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> b/d/p/q confusion |         |         |    |
|  | Consonant Letter Sounds _____ / 21    | 0 - 12                                     | 13 - 16 | 17 - 20 | 21 |
|  | Short Vowel Letter Sounds _____ / 5   | 0 - 1                                      | 2 - 3   | 4       | 5  |
|  | 4. 10 High Frequency Words _____ / 10 | 0 - 3                                      | 4 - 6   | 7 - 9   | 10 |

STRUGGLING TO READ

| STRUGGLING TO READ: ORTHOGRAPHIC SKILLS - Add for Strugglers Only - not Kindergarten |                    |       |       |   |
|--|--------------------|-------|-------|---|
| 5. Letter Sounds   |                    |       |       |   |
|  | Digraphs _____ / 5 | 0 - 1 | 2 - 3 | 4 |

READY TO READ

| READY TO READ: PHONOLOGICAL SKILLS - Assess both Kindergarten & Strugglers |   |   |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. First & Last Sounds   | Identify First Sound _____ / 3              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Identify Last Sound _____ / 3               | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 2. Phonological Awareness  | Syllable - Blend Compound Words _____ / 3   | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Syllable - Blend 2-Syllable Words _____ / 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Blend Onset-Rime _____ / 3                  | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 3. Blend Sounds  | Blend 2 Sounds _____ / 3                    | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | Blend 3 Sounds _____ / 3                    | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |

STRUGGLING TO READ

| STRUGGLING TO READ: PHONOLOGICAL SKILLS - Add for Strugglers Only - not Kindergarten |  |       |   |   |   |
|--|--|-------|---|---|---|
| 4. Blend Sounds  | Blend 4 Sounds _____ / 3                   | 0     | 1 | 2 | 3 |
|  | 5. Substitute Sounds                       |       |   |   |   |
| 6. Chain Sounds  | Change First & Last Sound _____ / 6        | 0 - 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  | Change First, Middle, Last Sound _____ / 6 | 0 - 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

READY TO READ

| Kindergarten: Assess Ready to Read Skills in Kindergarten to determine if students have the necessary pre-reading skills for phonics instruction to work. |   |
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| <b>Skills Required Before Starting Beginning Phonics Instruction:</b>   |   |
| <b>Orthographic Skills</b>  | <b>Phonological Skills</b>                  |
| 2. Letter Names, Upper Case - at least 25/26  | 2. Syllables: Compound - 3/3 2-Syllable 3/3 |
| Letter Names, Lower Case - at least 25/26   | Onset-Rime - at least 2/3                   |
| 3. Consonant Letter Sounds - at least 15/21   | 3. 2 Sound Words - at least 2/3             |
| 4. 10 High Frequency Words - at least 6/10  | 3 Sound Words - at least 2/3                |

STRUGGLING TO READ

| Struggling Readers: Assess both Ready to Read Skills and Struggling To Read Skills to determine which pre-reading skills weaknesses are causing students to struggle with phonics instruction. |   |
|--|---|
| <b>Skills Required Before Starting Phonics Intervention:</b>   |   |
| <b>Orthographic Skills</b>   | <b>Phonological Skills</b>                  |
| 2. Letter Names, Upper Case - 26/26  | 2. Syllables: Compound - 3/3 2-Syllable 3/3 |
| Letter Names, Lower Case - 26/26   | Onset-Rime - at least 2/3                   |
| 3. Consonant Letter Sounds - at least 17/21  | 3. 2 Sound Words - at least 2/3             |
| 4. 10 High Frequency Words - 10/10   | 3 Sound Words - at least 2/3                |



Student \_\_\_\_\_

Response Form 2

Write any incorrect response next to letter.

**READY TO READ: ORTHOGRAPHIC SKILLS Give to Kindergarten & Strugglers**

**1. Recite the Alphabet** Total Correct \_\_\_\_/26

A \_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_ D \_\_\_\_ E \_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_ G \_\_\_\_ H \_\_\_\_ I \_\_\_\_  
 J \_\_\_\_ K \_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_ O \_\_\_\_ P \_\_\_\_ Q \_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_  
 S \_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_ U \_\_\_\_ V \_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_ Y \_\_\_\_ Z \_\_\_\_ said "elemeno"

**2. Letter Names Use Student Page 1**

**Upper Case** Total Correct \_\_\_\_/26

T \_\_\_\_ B \_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_ O \_\_\_\_ K \_\_\_\_ C \_\_\_\_ I \_\_\_\_  
 Q \_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_ Y \_\_\_\_ P \_\_\_\_ J \_\_\_\_ E \_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_ G \_\_\_\_  
 U \_\_\_\_ D \_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_ H \_\_\_\_ Z \_\_\_\_ V \_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_

**Lower Case** Total Correct \_\_\_\_/26

t \_\_\_\_ n \_\_\_\_ k \_\_\_\_ z \_\_\_\_ l \_\_\_\_ r \_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_ y \_\_\_\_ b \_\_\_\_  
 o \_\_\_\_ v \_\_\_\_ f \_\_\_\_ c \_\_\_\_ p \_\_\_\_ j \_\_\_\_ e \_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_ g \_\_\_\_  
 u \_\_\_\_ d \_\_\_\_ m \_\_\_\_ h \_\_\_\_ q \_\_\_\_ i \_\_\_\_ s \_\_\_\_ w \_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_ b/d/p/q confusion

**3. Letter Sounds Use Student Page 1**

**Consonant Letter Sounds** Total Correct \_\_\_\_/21

m \_\_\_\_ s \_\_\_\_ f \_\_\_\_ z \_\_\_\_ n \_\_\_\_ v \_\_\_\_ r \_\_\_\_ l \_\_\_\_  
 p \_\_\_\_ d \_\_\_\_ j \_\_\_\_ c \_\_\_\_ t \_\_\_\_ g \_\_\_\_ b \_\_\_\_ k \_\_\_\_  
 y \_\_\_\_ w \_\_\_\_ h \_\_\_\_ x \_\_\_\_ qu \_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_ b/d/p/q confusion  
 \_\_\_\_ adds /uh/ to many sounds

**Short Vowel Letter Sounds** Total Correct \_\_\_\_/5

i \_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_ u \_\_\_\_ o \_\_\_\_ e \_\_\_\_

**4. Ten Pre-Reading High Frequency Words Use Student Page 1** Total Correct \_\_\_\_/10

the \_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ l \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

**STRUGGLING TO READ: ORTHOGRAPHIC SKILLS - Give only to Strugglers**

**5. Letter Sounds Use Student Page 1**

**Digraphs** Total Correct \_\_\_\_/5

ch \_\_\_\_ th \_\_\_\_ wh \_\_\_\_ sh \_\_\_\_ ck \_\_\_\_

**READY TO READ: PHONOLOGICAL SKILLS - Give to Kindergarten & Strugglers**

**1. First and Last Sounds Use Student Page 2**

| Identify First Sound <span style="float: right;">Correct ____/3</span>   | Identify Last Sound <span style="float: right;">Correct ____/3</span> |                          |                          |                       |                    |     |       |                          |               |      |       |                          |               |     |       |                          |               |     |       |                          |  |        |        |                          |                       |                   |     |       |                          |               |      |       |                          |                |     |       |                          |              |      |       |                          |
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| Task 2: phone  | /f/   | _____                    | <input type="checkbox"/> |                       |                    |     |       |                          |               |      |       |                          |               |     |       |                          |               |     |       |                          |  |        |        |                          |                       |                   |     |       |                          |               |      |       |                          |                |     |       |                          |              |      |       |                          |
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| Task 3: shoe   | /ōō/  | _____                    | <input type="checkbox"/> |                       |                    |     |       |                          |               |      |       |                          |               |     |       |                          |               |     |       |                          |  |        |        |                          |                       |                   |     |       |                          |               |      |       |                          |                |     |       |                          |              |      |       |                          |

**2. Phonological Awareness Use Student Page 2**

| Syllable - Blend Compound Word   | Total Correct ____/3 |        |                        |         |                  |         |                   |          |                   |          |  |
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| Prompt   | Answer               |        |                        |         |                  |         |                   |          |                   |          |  |
| <b>Model:</b> pop corn   | popcorn              |        |                        |         |                  |         |                   |          |                   |          |  |
| Task 1: mail box   | mailbox              |        |                        |         |                  |         |                   |          |                   |          |  |
| Task 2: air plane  | airplane             |        |                        |         |                  |         |                   |          |                   |          |  |
| Task 3: birth day  | birthday             |        |                        |         |                  |         |                   |          |                   |          |  |

| Syllable - Blend 2 Syllable Words  | Total Correct ____/3 |        |                    |        |                     |        |                     |        |  |
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| Task 3: /ser/ /kəl/  | circle               |        |                    |        |                     |        |                     |        |  |

| Blend Onset-Rime   | Total Correct ____/3 |        |                        |      |                  |      |                   |      |                   |      |   |
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| Prompt   | Answer               |        |                        |      |                  |      |                   |      |                   |      |   |
| <b>Model:</b> /m/ /āk/   | make                 |        |                        |      |                  |      |                   |      |                   |      |   |
| Task 1: /s/ /ōp/   | soap                 |        |                        |      |                  |      |                   |      |                   |      |   |
| Task 2: /z/ /ōōm/  | zoom                 |        |                        |      |                  |      |                   |      |                   |      |   |
| Task 3: /d/ /ert/  | dirt                 |        |                        |      |                  |      |                   |      |                   |      |   |

**READY TO READ: PHONOLOGICAL SKILLS - Give to Kindergarten & Strugglers**

**3. Blend Sounds Use Student Page 3**

**Blend 2 Sounds**

Total Correct \_\_\_\_/3

|               | Prompt |      | Answer      |
|---------------|--------|------|-------------|
| <b>Model:</b> | /ē/    | /ch/ | <i>each</i> |

Coach only if needed:

|          |      |     |             |
|----------|------|-----|-------------|
| Coach 1: | /ō/  | /d/ | <i>odd</i>  |
| Coach 2: | /sh/ | /ō/ | <i>show</i> |

Task 1: /s/ /ē/ *see* \_\_\_\_\_

Task 2: /z/ /ōō/ *zoo* \_\_\_\_\_

Task 3: /ă/ /d/ *add* \_\_\_\_\_

Write any incorrect response on line.

Check box for correct.

**Blend 3 Sounds**

Total Correct \_\_\_\_/3

|               | Prompt |      |     | Answer      |
|---------------|--------|------|-----|-------------|
| <b>Model:</b> | /m/    | /ar/ | /k/ | <i>mark</i> |

Write any incorrect response. Check box for correct.

Task 1: /sh/ /ou/ /t/ *shout* \_\_\_\_\_

Task 2: /t/ /ā/ /k/ *take* \_\_\_\_\_

Task 3: /b/ /ō/ /t/ *boat* \_\_\_\_\_




**STRUGGLING TO READ: PHONOLOGICAL SKILLS - Give only to Strugglers**

**4. Blend Sounds Use Student Page 3**

**Blend 4 Sounds**

Total Correct \_\_\_\_/3

|               | Prompt |     |     |     | Answer      |
|---------------|--------|-----|-----|-----|-------------|
| <b>Model:</b> | /d/    | /ē/ | /s/ | /k/ | <i>desk</i> |

Write any incorrect response. Check box for correct.

Task 1: /t/ /ō/ /s/ /t/ *toast* \_\_\_\_\_

Task 2: /s/ /p/ /ōō/ /n/ *spoon* \_\_\_\_\_

Task 3: /f/ /l/ /ă/ /sh/ *flash* \_\_\_\_\_




Continue with 5. Substitute Sounds and 6. Chain Sounds on Response Form 5

**STRUGGLING TO READ: PHONOLOGICAL SKILLS - Give only to Strugglers**

**5. Substitute Sounds** No Student Page - Use colored tiles

**Practice Changing First Sound**

Use 3 colored tiles to teach changing first sound.

Change:  
**Model:** day to say

**Model:** Use tiles to show changing 'day' to 'say' by first comparing the sounds in both words, then changing the first tile to show the first sound change /d/ to /s/.

Coach 1: say to pay

**Coach:** Ask student to show the change from 'say' to 'pay'.

Coach 2: pay to may

If the student replaces the first tile, confirm the answer and move to Coach 2.  
 For incorrect response or 'I don't know', coach by modeling & having student repeat.

**Practice Changing Last Sound**

Use 3 color tiles to show changing last sound.

Change:  
**Model:** may to my

**Model:** Use tiles to show changing 'may' to 'my' by first comparing the sounds in both words, then changing the last tile to show the last sound change /ā/ to /i/.

Coach 1: my to me

**Coach:** Ask student to show the change from 'my' to 'me'.

Coach 2: me to mow

If the student replaces the last tile, confirm the answer and move to Coach 2.  
 For incorrect response or 'I don't know', coach by modeling & having student repeat.

**Assess Changing First and Last Sounds**

**Total Correct** \_\_\_\_/6

| Change:  | F                                   | L                                   | Add                      | Scramble                 |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Task 1: <u>mow</u> to <u>show</u> <i>first</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 2: <u>show</u> to <u>shoe</u> <i>last</i> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 3: <u>shoe</u> to <u>she</u> <i>last</i>  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 4: <u>she</u> to <u>sea</u> <i>first</i>  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 5: <u>sea</u> to <u>so</u> <i>last</i>    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 6: <u>so</u> to <u>go</u> <i>first</i>    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Check box for student response.  
 Shaded box is correct answer.  
 'Add' means student adds a tile rather than exchanging.  
 'Scramble' means student randomly moves tiles around.  
 Tell student to continue showing which sound changes, but now it may be the first or the last sound.  
 Give the prompt and ask student to repeat it.  
 Then ask student to show which sound changes.  
 Student can use tiles or just point.

**6. Chain Sounds** No Student Page - Use colored tiles

**Practice Changing Middle Sound**

Use 4 colored tiles to show changing middle sound.

Change:  
**Model:** ride to rid

**Model:** Use tiles to show changing 'ride' to 'rid' by first comparing the sounds in both words, then changing the middle tile to show the middle sound change.

Coach 1: rid to raid

**Coach:** Ask student to show the change from 'rid' to 'raid'.

Coach 2: raid to rod

If the student replaces the middle tile, confirm answer and move to Coach 2.  
 For incorrect response or 'I don't know', coach by modeling & having student repeat.

**Assess Changing First, Middle, and Last Sounds**

**Total Correct** \_\_\_\_/6

| Change:  | F                                   | M                                   | L                                   | Add                      | Scramble                 |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Task 1: <u>rod</u> to <u>rock</u> <i>last</i>    | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 2: <u>rock</u> to <u>knock</u> <i>first</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 3: <u>knock</u> to <u>not</u> <i>last</i>   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 4: <u>not</u> to <u>note</u> <i>middle</i>  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 5: <u>note</u> to <u>neat</u> <i>middle</i> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Task 6: <u>neat</u> to <u>sheet</u> <i>first</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Check box for student response.  
 Shaded box is correct answer.  
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Student \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Optional Print Letters

Assessor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Response Form 6

**1. Print Name**

Use Student Printing Page

\_\_\_\_\_/2

Give student a pencil.

Have student put pencil on the star on Student Circling Page.

Ask student to print first and last name on the line by the star.

Is printing legible? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Check box for correct.

Spelling of first **or** last name

Spelling of both names

**2. Print Letters**

Use Student Printing Pages.

**Upper Case**

Count letters correctly printed: \_\_\_\_/26

Circle problem letters. Slash omitted letters.

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | B | C | D | E | F |   |
| G | H | I | J | K | L |   |
| M | N | O | P | Q | R | S |
| T | U | V | W | X | Y | Z |

\_\_\_\_ Ran out of time (suggested 2 minute limit)

**Lower Case**

Count letters correctly printed: \_\_\_\_/17

Circle problem letters. Slash omitted letters.

|   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| a | b | d | e | f | g |
| h | i | j | k | l | m |
| n | q | r | t | y |   |

\_\_\_\_ Ran out of time (suggested 1 minute limit)



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**1. Print Name**

Print first and last name.



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**2. Print Letters**

Upper Case Print all the uppercase letters, one in each box. Teacher may prompt with letter names, if needed.

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Total Correct \_\_\_\_/26

2. Print Letters

Lower Case Print the lower case letter that matches the upper case letter.

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| A | <input type="text"/> |
| E | <input type="text"/> |
| H | <input type="text"/> |
| K | <input type="text"/> |
| N | <input type="text"/> |
| T | <input type="text"/> |

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| B | <input type="text"/> |
| F | <input type="text"/> |
| I | <input type="text"/> |
| L | <input type="text"/> |
| Q | <input type="text"/> |
| Y | <input type="text"/> |

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| D | <input type="text"/> |
| G | <input type="text"/> |
| J | <input type="text"/> |
| M | <input type="text"/> |
| R | <input type="text"/> |

Total Correct \_\_\_\_/17

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**2. Letter Names – Upper Case**

T B A N X O K C I Q R F Y

P J E L G U D M H Z V S W

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**Lower Case**

t n k z l r a y b o v f c

p j e x g u d m h q i s w

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**3. Letter Sounds - Consonants and Short Vowels**

m s f z n v r l p d j

c t g b k y w h x qu

i a u o e

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**4. Ten Pre-Reading High Frequency Words**

the a and I to was for you is of

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**5. Letter Sounds - Digraphs**

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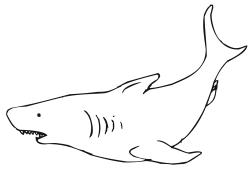
1. First and Last Sounds

A. First Sound

Model



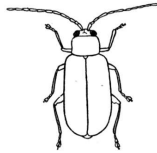
Tasks 1 – 3



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B. Last sound

Model



Tasks 1 – 3



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2. Phonological Awareness

Use rectangles to represent syllables, onsets, and rimes.



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3. Blend Sounds –

A. Blend 2 Sounds

Use squares to represent sounds.



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B. Blend 3 Sounds



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4. Blend 4 Sounds

