

Lesson 3

Read High Frequency Words

Some frequently used words are not decodable with the phonics students know. Students will learn to spell and recognize these words by sight. This will support their ability to read them accurately when they encounter them in texts. Introduce or review the High Frequency Words and consider posting them for easy reference.



Level C High Frequency Words: no new High Frequency Words

Previously Taught Word List: through, on, one, away, said, there, they, two, under, was, what, where, who, after, again, could, every, find, put, does, another, large, even, because, different, move, kind, picture, away, animal, house, letter, mother, answer, learn, should, world, between, below, country, school, father, earth, thought, head, under, been, before, most, people



DO

Have students sit with their assigned partner for the week.

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Students, we know that we can use sounds to help us read words. We also know that there are some words that can't be sounded out. Before we read today, we are going to read words that we will see often in our reading and/or that can't be sounded out. We need to know these words by sight, or automatically, so we call these "High Frequency Words." For these words, you will read and spell each word. Read, spell, read.

Model Fluent Reading of the Passage



Remember that in Shared Reading, we will read many texts to improve our fluency. When we read fluently, we are better able to comprehend or understand what we read.



Post the text, "Brad's Backpack," so that all students can see the words. Review the week's learning objectives for students and then read aloud the title of the text.



Remember, practicing rereading a text many times will improve your fluency.



Distribute a copy of the passage to each student. Tell students that you will read the text aloud as they listen and follow along.

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SAY

As I read, I will point to the words and you will listen, watch, and follow along silently. Ready?



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Reread the title, then read the text aloud with expression, as students follow along. When you are finished reading, think aloud for students about why you read certain parts of the passage the way you did.



SAY

Notice that each time I read the phrase “every day” in the first paragraph, I slowed down and emphasized those words to show the meaning. Brad knew that he wasn’t supposed to put his backpack on the floor because Mr. Lin reminded him every day. But he kept doing it. Every day.

Practice Reading the Passage with a Buddy



SAY

Students, now you are going to be reading the passage aloud to a partner two times. Practicing rereading the text will help you become a more fluent reader.

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Point to the “When I read fluently...” chart and briefly review the elements of fluency. Invite students to think about which element of fluency they most need to improve and to focus on that element as they read.



SAY

Remember that when you read with a buddy, you will listen carefully to them as they read and then use the “When I read fluently...” chart to say one encouraging thing about how they read. Then you will switch roles. It is important to listen attentively and to offer encouraging and kind feedback to your partner.



DO

Write the prompts, “I like the way you...,” “One thing you did well was...,” “I liked how you read the part...,” for all students to see. Read them aloud.



SAY

You can use these prompts when sharing kind and supportive feedback with your partner.

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Have buddies bring their copies of the text to a space in the room where they can read it aloud quietly and not disturb others. Have students practice rereading the passage with their buddies. As they read, listen in to offer helpful feedback and provide any necessary support. (See Feedback Guide)

When students are finished reading (and offering kind feedback) with their buddies, call for their attention and invite one or two students to share something their buddy did well during reading. Then collect their copies of the passage.



SAY

You have had many opportunities to improve your reading of “Brad’s Backpack.” You can read it to your family members aloud for more practice and to prepare to read it aloud to the group at the end of the week.



DO

Support any students who are still struggling to read the passage fluently by asking them to prepare to perform a shorter section of the passage (or another passage they know well). See Lesson 2 for the Feedback Guide.

