A New Way to Measure Oral Reading Ability on a Scientific, Universal Scale

Assess Oral Reading Using the Lexile® Framework for Oral Reading!

Oral reading is a foundational skill and a prerequisite to silent reading comprehension. Now there is a new research-based way to measure it. Use our Lexile Oral Reading Framework to:

- Accurately and reliably measure oral reading.
- Level your passages. No more norming your oral reading passages or wondering if they are equivalent in difficulty.
- Get a more complete picture of student literacy. Lexile Frameworks measure three constructs of literacy (oral reading, silent reading comprehension and listening) to monitor student growth.

How are our oral reading measures different than WCPM or accuracy scores?

Words Correct Per Minute (WCPM) and accuracy scores are passage dependent, and research shows the passages students are tested on vary in difficulty (Toyama, et al., 2018). The Lexile oral reading measure for students takes into account WCPM and accuracy scores, but also considers how difficult the passage is to read aloud. Plus, our Framework, unlike percent correct scores, uses a scale which allows growth to be measured across grades.

The Need for Better Measurement

Same student, different performance data, same Lexile measure. Why? Because the Lexile Framework for Oral Reading takes into consideration the difficulty of the passage so student scores are always accurate.

How do you use the Lexile® Framework for Oral Reading?

1. **Assessment:** Administer an oral reading test to determine oral reading difficulty.
2. **Lexile Measure:** Use the Lexile reading measures to determine comprehension level.
3. **Performance:** Analyze WCPM and reading accuracy scores to determine performance.

You can level your oral reading passages without norming, ensuring they are equivalent in difficulty:

- **Harder Passage:** 900L
  - WCPM: 123
  - Accuracy: 74%
- **Easier Passage:** 600L
  - WCPM: 112
  - Accuracy: 99%

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How It Works In Your Product

Whether you have had an oral reading assessment in the market for years or if you are just getting started, we’ve got a solution for you. We offer test development and an API service for converting student performance data to Lexile measures.

What types of tests can report Lexile oral reading measures?

We can provide Lexile oral reading measures for:

- **TEACHER ADMINISTERED ASSESSMENTS** (print or digital) that are manually scored.
- **AUTOMATED ASSESSMENTS** that leverage voice recognition technology.

One-Stop-Solution Option: Everything You Need to Automate the Assessment of Oral Reading

We offer a way to automate the assessment of oral reading that does not require additional contracts with third-party ASR providers. With this solution, you will receive:

- **WCPM**
- **Reading Accuracy**
- **Student Lexile Oral Reading Measure**
- **Passage Lexile Oral Readability Measure**
- **Reading Feedback** (e.g., Good job reading sight words quickly and accurately. Remember to pause at the ends of sentences.)
- **Future features including expressiveness evaluations and pronunciation accuracy.**

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