

CAFÉ
Comprehension – Accuracy – Fluency – Expand Vocabulary

Comprehension

- I understand what I read
- Check for Understanding
- Back Up and Reread
- Monitor and Fix Up
- Problem and Solution

Accuracy

- I can read the words
- Abundant easy reading
- Cross Checking... do the pictures and/ or words look right? Do they sound right? Do they make sense?
- Flip the sound
- Use the pictures...do the words and pictures match?
- Use beginning and ending sound
- Blend sounds; stretch and reread
- Chunk letter and sounds together
- Skip the word, then come back
- Trade a word/guess a word that makes sense
- Recognize words at sight

Fluency

- I can read accurately with expression and understand what I read
- Read appropriate-level texts that are a good fit. (Book Shopping schedule, pictures of students book shopping, video of lesson on good-fit books)
- Adjust and apply different reading rates to match text
- Practice common sight words and high-frequency words (heart words, picture of turtles)
- Use punctuation to enhance phrasing and prosody (end marks, commas, etc.)
- Read text as the author would say it, conveying the meaning or feeling
- Reread text (shared reading chart)

Expand Vocabulary

Expanded vocabulary leads to greater fluency in reading and therefore increasing comprehension. Becoming more proficient as a speller leads to writing fluency and the ability to get ideas down on paper. Hearing fluent and expressive reading of good literature expands vocabulary, helps build stamina, and will make for a better reader.

- Voracious reading
- Tune in to interesting words and use new vocabulary in speaking and writing
- Use prior knowledge and context to predict and confirm meaning
- Use pictures, illustrations and diagrams
- Use word parts to determine the meaning of words (prefixes, suffixes, origins, abbreviations, etc.)
- Ask someone to define the word for you
- Use dictionaries, thesauruses, and glossaries as tools