

Precision Monitoring Book 1

Sheets for Alphabet Phonemes Step 1

Purpose

To improve fluency and accuracy in reading. Short but regular practice with blending is necessary to see an improvement. With instant recall a child should be able to read 50 words or sounds a minute. The sounds and words on the sheets are blocked in groups of 25, so a child achieving all 25 in 30 seconds has reached fluency.

Method

- Precision Monitoring should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete and should be done at least 4 times a week to see improvements.
- Read from left to right, using a reading ruler or coloured overlay if this helps.
- Record the time taken for words and sounds each day using a stop watch. It is highly motivating for a child to see an improvement in his/her own speed, and perhaps to record his/her own results.
- If the child is stuck, model reading the phonemes and/or blending, and let the child repeat this after you. He may just need help with remembering a sound, or just with blending the sounds.
- Give help where it is needed, but give the child time to have a go himself first.
- Use a sheet which corresponds to the sounds being taught in the child's Snappy Lesson® sessions. It is *not* necessary to keep going with one sheet until fluency is achieved, as there is plenty of revision built into subsequent sheets. Use the extra sheets with polysyllabic words and with suffixes -ed and -ing at your discretion.

s	t	a	i	p
a	a	t	s	n
s	n	t	p	i
i	a	p	t	n
s	n	i	p	n

nap	pin	pit	pip	sat
tip	pan	tap	pin	nip
pit	pat	ant	tan	an
it	as	is	in	sip
tin	sin	sap	pip	nap

Sheet 1 – satpin
Step 1.1