COMPREHENSIVE PHONICS SURVEY

ASSESSMENT DIRECTIONS

Preparation

- 1. Make a class supply of the *Comprehensive Phonics Survey: Nonsense-Word Reading* and *Comprehensive Phonics Survey: Individual Scoring Sheet.* Also make a copy of the *Comprehensive Phonics Survey: Class Record Sheet.*
- 2. Administer the assessment to each child in the class three times a year—at the beginning, middle, and end.
- 3. Use the *Comprehensive Phonics Survey: Class Record Sheet* to gather and record all children's scores for each testing period to determine small-group differentiated instructional needs.

Comprehensive Phonics Survey

This assessment consists of 50 nonsense words to confirm students' decoding skills. Some students do well on realword tests of phonics due to their wide sight-word knowledge, yet struggle when applying those same decoding skills to new words. The nonsense word test accounts for this and assesses true decoding application. Administer this assessment as a follow-up to the real-word tests (cumulative phonics assessments), especially for students who do okay on these assessments, but seem to struggle decoding while reading.

- 1. Display the Comprehensive Phonics Survey: Nonsense-Word Reading.
- 2. Have the child point to each word and read it aloud. Circle each correct response. Record the child's errors to use for error analysis (for example, *send* for *smend*). Record the number correct and note the speed in the boxes on the *Comprehensive Phonics Survey: Individual Scoring Sheet*.

A. Short Vowels	B. Consonant Blends and Digraphs
I. lat	I. sheg
2. ped	2. chab
3. sib	3. stot
4. mog	4. whid
5. vun	5. thuzz
6. fim	6. bruck
7. hep	7. cliss
8. yot	8. smend
9. rud	9. thrist
IO. cag	IO. phum

C. Long Vowels	D. Complex Vowels
l. sote	I. doit
2. mabe	2. spoud
3. foap	3. clar
4. weam	4. foy
5. glay	5. jern
6. shain	6. moof
7. dright	7. lurst
8. hupe	8. porth
9. heest	9. stook
l0. sny	IO. flirch

E. Word Study (Multisyllabic Words)
I. rigfap
2. churbit
3. napsate
4. reatloid
5. foutray
6. moku
7. wolide
8. lofam
9. pagbo
10. plizzles

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Individual Scoring Sheet

Name _____

_____ Date _____

Circle correct responses. Record the child's incorrect responses on the lines.

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Number correct: _____

Speed:
Slow/labored

□ Moderate

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Individual Scoring Sheet

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COMPREHENSIVE PHONICS SURVEY: CLASS RECORD SHEET

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