

DIBELS® Oral Reading Fluency

Short Form Directions

Make sure you have reviewed the long form of the directions in the *DIBELS Administration and Scoring Guide* and have them available. Say these specific directions to the student:

Please read this (point) out loud. If you get stuck, I will tell you the word so you can keep reading. When I say “Stop,” I may ask you to tell me about what you read, so do your best reading. Start here (point to the first word of the passage). Begin.

Start your stopwatch when the student says the first word of the passage.

At the end of **1 minute**, place a bracket (**]**) after the last word provided by the student, stop and reset the stopwatch, and say, ***“Stop.”*** (remove the passage)

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Kwanzaa means a gathering time like Thanksgiving. It means	17
not only the gathering of foods for the winter, but also the	29
gathering of family. It began in Africa many years ago. The	40
holiday reminds us of the way of life of the first African	52
Americans.	53
In America, houses are decorated in black, red, and green for	64
Kwanzaa. Black stands for the color of the people. Red reminds	75
us of our struggle. Green is for Africa and hope. Seven candles	87
are on the table, one for each rule for how to live. An ear of corn	103
for each child in the family is on the table. Everyone wears	115
colorful African clothes.	118
The party lasts for seven days, from the day after Christmas	129
to New Year's day. We do not eat during the day. Every night	142
we feast and light a new candle. For dinner we have chicken and	155
catfish. We add greens, black-eyed peas and corn bread. For	166
dessert we have sweet potato pie and carrot cake. After dinner	177
we play music and dance.	182
Kwanzaa is also a time for older family members to tell	193
stories. We remember those who have lived before us. On the	204
sixth night we give presents to each other. Kwanzaa is a very	216
special time for our family.	221

Total words: _____ — errors: _____ = words correct: _____

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In America, houses are decorated in black, red, and green for Kwanzaa. Black stands for the color of the people. Red reminds us of our struggle. Green is for Africa and hope. Seven candles are on the table, one for each rule for how to live. An ear of corn for each child in the family is on the table. Everyone wears colorful African clothes.

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