

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)

ORF Progress Monitoring 11

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There is great diversity in the way people look and the languages they speak. Skin color ranges from white to very black. People there may live in tiny villages or they may live in huge cities with skyscrapers. Just like people in the United States, some are farmers, some are doctors, and some are truck drivers.

Africa has some of the most beautiful land on our planet. There are tall mountains and the world's deepest lake. Across the middle is a huge desert. Diamond mines and other natural resources are plentiful. Just as important as the land, there is a wealth of animals like zebras, lions, and elephants. I hope to visit Africa someday so I can see where my ancestors lived.

Total words: _____ – errors: _____ = words correct: _____

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