Ultimate Phonics Reading Test

The Ultimate Phonics Reading Test is designed to check how well a person of any age (4 to adult) reads. The test consists of a series of sentences taken from the Ultimate Phonics Reading Program. These sentences consist almost entirely of words that follow the major phonics sounds and rules of English. A good reader will be able to read all of these sentences with few or no mistakes. Generally, the average child is capable of reading all test sentences by the end of first grade if he or she is correctly taught reading skills starting in kindergarten or first grade.

Instructions

1) Print two copies of the Ultimate Phonics Reading Test sentences. Give one copy to the person you are testing and keep one for yourself.

2) To administer the test, simply have the student read the test sentences aloud in order. While the student reads to you, follow along and mark any mistakes on your copy of the test.

3) Pay close attention to the way the student reads, especially the way he or she handles an unfamiliar word. The most common types of mistakes are: skipping a word, adding a word that isn't there, and guessing at a word.

If you notice the student skipping a line altogether, confusing the order of the letters in the words, not seeing the punctuation, taking letters from the line above or the line below and inserting them into the current word then you can begin to suspect an undetected visual problem and will want to read the article by Dr. Greg Gilman called "Better Vision Equals Better Grades". It can be found at http://www.howtolearn.com under the free articles section near the bottom of the yellow scroll bar on the left. You will also want to visit the website of P.A.V.E. (Parents Active for Vision Education) at http://www.pave-eye.com/vision and request their free information packet. If a student reads by guessing, he or she will try to read an unfamiliar word by substituting a completely different word, often starting with the same letter.

4) On your copy of the test, as the student reads, circle any words that are skipped or incorrectly guessed and make marks in the sentences where any words are added. At any point, if it becomes clear to you that the student is making a very large number of mistakes or is simply unable to correctly read the sentences, you may stop the test at any time.

5) To interpret the results, look at the next section "Interpreting the Test Results" and read the part that applies to your child or student.
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Interpreting the Test Results

If your student finished the test and made few or no mistakes (less than 15), in most cases he or she should be a good to excellent reader, and should not require any further systematic, intensive phonics instruction.

If the child or student finished the test and made more than 15 mistakes, and especially if he or she made more than 30 mistakes, then systematic, intensive phonics instruction is needed. The greater the number of mistakes, the more urgent the need for immediate proper phonics instruction.

If your child performed poorly on the test, you should read the section below that pertains to age levels and performance.

Children ages 4 - 6

If you have a child in the 4 - 6 range who was unable to read many of the sentences, you may feel that the test was inappropriately difficult. However, this is not the case. It is our experience, based on over thirty years of teaching reading, that the average child is capable of reading all of these test sentences by the end of first grade, if he or she is correctly taught starting in kindergarten or preschool. Younger children who have not been exposed to any reading or reading readiness skills will not be able to read the sentences and can be started on the Ultimate Phonics program immediately. This will give them a headstart on reading in the first grade and guarantee that they will have the skills they need to become an excellent reader.

Unfortunately, over 90% of children never learn to read to their full potential due to inadequate reading instruction in their critical early years. This has created a popular misconception that most very young children are incapable of reading at a high level.

You must be aware, as you give the phonics test, that there are some children who cannot learn to read using phonics and must be taught using the whole word method. These children learn only by whole words while the majority of children learn to read by the part to whole phonics method. If you are certain that your child has good visual skills (and have taken him or her to a developmental optometrist for visual perceptual testing (see http://www.covd.org to locate one) but seems to still struggle with reading by the end of the first grade, then you might want to have your child taught to read by the whole word method.
If you want your young child to become one of the few truly excellent readers, you must begin using a properly designed reading program such as the Ultimate Phonics Reading Program. This program guarantees that your child will quickly and thoroughly learn to read up to the level of the sentences in the test and higher. By correctly teaching your child to read from the beginning, you insure that he or she will be an excellent reader for life, and will be well positioned for success in school and beyond.

**Children Ages 7-10**

Most children in the 7 - 10 age range who have been properly taught to read should be able to read the test sentences with few or no mistakes. Any child in this age range who is unable to read the sentences correctly is almost certainly reading below his or her actual potential. The greater the number of mistakes, the greater the degree of underachieving.

If your child is not even close to being able to correctly read the sentences, and demonstrates a clear pattern of skipping and guessing words, then immediate action is required for your child to have any hope of ever becoming an excellent reader. You must begin teaching your child now using a well designed comprehensive program such as Ultimate Phonics.

**Students Ages 11- Adult**

Any student in the age range 11 - Adult who cannot successfully read the test sentences is clearly far behind in reading. Whether the student has been diagnosed with a learning disability or not, the solution is the same. The reading problem must be corrected with proper phonics instruction using a program such as Ultimate Phonics. Edutainment programs currently on the market are not comprehensive and will only provide minimal help. The longer you delay remedial help, the farther behind the student will get, and underachievement will be the result.

Sentence Test is in the next section.
Ultimate Phonics Reading Test Sentences  (I)

Sid bit the big fat fig.
The bad lad hid in a bin.
The bus hit a hub in a rut.
The van hit a cab in the fog.
If Mel can jog a lot, Mel can get fit.
If the pup can sit up, the pup can beg.

The hut sat on a crag in the fog.
A cut on the skin can get a scab.
The brim on the hat had a red trim.
Fran can scrub up the mud on the rug.
Ned sped on the red sled. The red sled can zip!
A big cat got mad at the pup. The pup spun. The pup fled.

The pond had silt in it.
Milt had tact and did not brag.
Nan got a strand from a blond wig on Jan.
Kent and Clem can drift on a raft in the pond.
Deb got lint on her hat. The lint had a red tint.
A plump pig can just sit in the mud and grunt.
Kim and her pup can sit on the sand and bask in the sun.
The pup can yelp and romp on the damp sand.

The shack had a latch with a lock on it.
Josh got mud on the plush rug in the den.
Chuck can pluck a plum from a twig on a branch.
The Dutch ship went past the French ship in the gulf.
Did Chet clench a fist at Mitch? Did Mitch flinch from the fist?

Nell had a kink in her neck.
Clint must squint in the sun.
Ross fell off the swing, but sprang up and got back on.
Tex will wax the truck and buff the wax with a soft cloth.
Rex can fling a stick, and Spot will fetch the stick and bring it back.
Ultimate Phonics Reading Test Sentences (II)

A ship from the Greek fleet sat at the dock.
The men will troop up the ramp to board the ship.
Did Dean wail in pain when he got a bad sprain?
If Gail will keep the soil moist, the seed will sprout.

Hank will groom the dog each week to keep him clean.
The hound will sit on the ground and howl at the moon.
Neal had a sleek steel sled. The sled can speed on a steep hill.
Rick must plod up the path to reach the peak of the steep hill.

The bashful boy has a tendency to mumble.
The train can carry a passenger and his baggage.
Roy moaned and groaned when he sprained his leg.
Lee had three main points in his speech to the class.
In the rain, a van skidded on the slick street and crashed.

Africa is a continent which is to the east of South America.
Kay is positive that she can solve the difficult math problem.
A plunge into the swimming pool will quickly cool you off.
The city council has a meeting every week to set city policy.
The ship struck the rocky reef and then sank to the bottom of the sea.

The theme of the novel was difficult to grasp.
A lone pine tree sat on a slope on the side of a hill.
The poor conduct of the player is a disgrace to his team.
A long speech may bore the crowd and make them doze off.
A bridge made of steel and concrete stretches across the river.
To do the magic trick, Jake must conceal an ace up his sleeve.
Grace reached out and grabbed a ripe peach from a branch of the peach tree.

A parent must protect and provide for a child.
If you miss a chance to succeed, you may regret it later.
Sue drew a pencil sketch of a cute little puppy.
A freighter is a type of ship that carries freight.
Ultimate Phonics Reading Test Sentences  (III)

Luke couldn't conceive how to solve the problem.
The rabbit must be spry to escape from the sly fox.
Joan must notify her teacher when she is done with the lesson.
When Judy found the lost puppy, she gave a deep sigh of relief.

Because Earl is a hard worker, he is worthy of respect.
The stern judge would not show any mercy to the thief.
A squirrel is a small furry animal with a long bushy tail.
Beth dealt a card from the card deck face up on the table.
The fierce tiger will snarl and bare its teeth when it gets angry.
In a square dance, each person will whirl and twirl across the floor.

Jean has a joyful expression on her face.
Erin has a strong knack for math and science.
Phil must give special attention to a crucial decision.
The reading teacher gave the class a lecture on phonics.
Regular exercise will keep a person in good physical condition.
In the myth, the hero had to use his tremendous strength to move an enormous rock.

See the next section for ordering information.
Ultimate Phonics Order Information

If your child or student had difficulty reading the Ultimate Phonics Reading Test Sentences and you want to improve his or her reading ability, you can order the Ultimate Phonics Reading Program for anyone age 4 through adult. By using the Ultimate Phonics Program, you are guaranteed that your child will quickly and thoroughly learn to read up to the level of the test sentences and higher.

Ultimate Phonics benefits:

- Easy to use, self teaching
- Effectively covers all of the major phonics sounds and rules of English
- Explicitly teaches and sounds our over 4,400 of the most common words
- Includes more than 2,100 controlled vocabulary sentences
- Comes with a full money back guarantee

Comments from happy parents:

Eight months after my daughter started using The Ultimate Phonics Reading Program she received an award from her school for the most improved in reading, and her first grade teacher said that she is now the best reader in the first grade class. I recommend this program.
_A.H. - San Diego, CA_

For the past 6 months, I have been using your Ultimate Phonics Reading Program to help my 11 year old son who has dyslexia and other learning disabilities. When he first started the program, my son as at a 1.9 GE level. Now he is at a 3.7 GE reading level. I am amazed and relieved at his progress.
_Mrs. S - Chula Vista, CA_

Money Back Guarantee

After you have used the product for 30 days, if for any reason you are not completely delighted, return it to us and receive a prompt and courteous refund.

The Ultimate Phonics Reading Program consists of a CD-ROM, a 600 page Words and Sentences Book and a User's Guide. It requires a Windows-based, multimedia-equipped computer (486 or higher).

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