

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 7

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The first satellite was launched from Russia. It was named Sputnik and had a radio that sent signals back to Earth. Sputnik went around and around the Earth for thirteen weeks. Modern satellites can stay in the sky for years. One satellite, Skylab, even has people living in it. It is fun to think of people living up there.

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

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