

ISIP™ Oral Reading Fluency

Example Passages

The following passages are part of Istation's Indicators of Progress (ISIP) Oral Reading Fluency assessment. Passages are selected randomly without replacement, and there are enough passages for students to do monthly progress monitoring without seeing any repeats.

There is a mixture of fiction and nonfiction, with the overall balance shifting from mostly fiction for lower grades (K-2) to mostly nonfiction for higher grades (3-5).

For additional information, see the tech report available here.





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First Grade - Passage 56

Where Do You Live?

Do you know your address? This is an important question. Your address is where you live. What if you are lost? You can tell an adult your address. Then they can help you get home. An address has different parts. It has a building number and a street name. There is also a city, state, and zip code. Say your address out loud many times to learn it.

< Word count: 68 words; F-K: 1.6 >

Second Grade – Passage 73

My First Day at School

Today was my first day back at school! I love the summer, but I was happy to see my friends. I also met my new teacher. She was nice and showed me my desk. I brought all of my pens and paper too. We sat in a circle and told everyone our names and favorite book. Some of the students are my friends, but others are new to me. I am excited to go back tomorrow for the first music class of the year!

< Word count: 84 words; F-K 2.8 >

Third Grade - Passage 91

The Frog Prince

Once upon a time there was a little princess. Her father gave her a golden ball, but she dropped it into a pond. A talking frog came along and offered to find the ball if the princess would let him live in her castle. The princess agreed, but she broke her promise. Her father ordered the princess to keep her promise. The princess gave the frog a kiss to say she was sorry. Then the frog turned into a real prince.

< Word Count: 81 words; F-K 3.7 >

ISIP Oral Reading Fluency Readability Measures

Grade	Flesch-Kincaid	Lexile Measure
К	0.0 – 0.5	120L – 450L
1	1.0 - 1.9	270L – 560L
2	2.5 – 2.9	310L - 630L
3	3.5 – 3.9	490L – 810L
4	4.5 – 4.9	560L – 830L
5	5.5 – 5.9	610L – 910L

ISIP ORF uses leveled passages, which conform to the middle- to end-of-year range on the Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level scale for grades 1-5. Kindergarten passages measure in the beginning- to middle-of-year range on the same scale. For additional accuracy, passages were sent to MetaMetrics® to obtain official Lexile® text measures. Passages that fell outside of the expected grade level ranges were removed from the testing bank.

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