



Objective

The student will gain speed and accuracy in reading words.

Materials

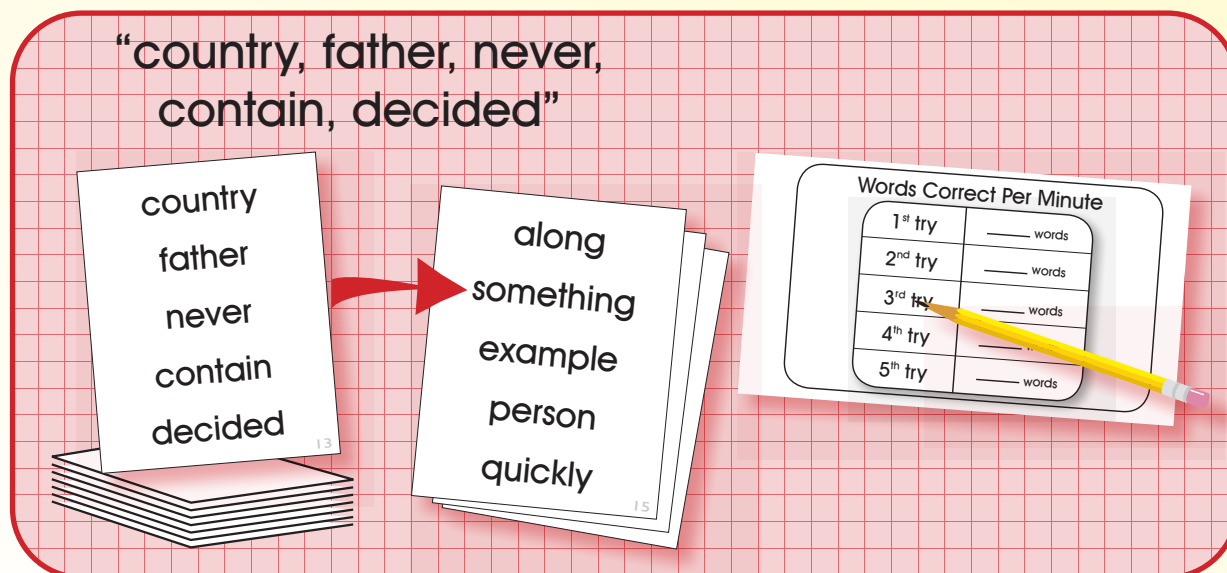
- ▶ High frequency word cards
These are 140 multisyllabic words found in the first 500 high frequency words.
- ▶ Timer (e.g., digital)
- ▶ Words correct per minute record
- ▶ Pencils

Activity

Students take turns reading word cards in a timed group activity.

1. Place word cards face down in a stack. Provide each group of students with a timer and one words correct per minute record.
2. Student one sets the timer for one minute, picks up the first word card from the stack, reads it aloud, and places it in the discard pile. If unable to read a word on the card, makes attempts while another student counts to five. If still unable to read it, places it under the stack.
3. As soon as the card is placed in the discard pile, the next student quickly picks up a word card from the stack and reads it.
4. Students continue to pick up cards and read the words until the timer rings.
5. Student one counts and records the number of words read in one minute on the group record. Passes group record and timer to the next student.
6. Repeat the activity, attempting to increase speed and accuracy.
7. Peer evaluation

**“country, father, never,
contain, decided”**



1 st try	___ words
2 nd try	___ words
3 rd try	___ words
4 th try	___ words
5 th try	___ words

Extensions and Adaptations

- ▶ Distribute all cards and take turns reading them in sequence. State number and then read words.
- ▶ Make other high frequency word cards.
- ▶ Use phrases and sentences.
- ▶ Time how long it takes one student to read all word cards.

Fluency

Give Me Five

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other
about
many
circle
include

1

heavy
special
material
into
number

2

people
water
over
order
cannot

3

power
among
object
only
very

4

high frequency word cards



after
sentence

before
government
equation

5

thousands
language

explain
follow
around

6

another
because
different
common
understand

7

behind
system
ago
picture
again

8



Fluency

Give Me Five

F. 006

away

animal

letter

machine

inside

9

island

scientists

carefully

mother

answer

10

study

America

every

nothing

ocean

11

building

produce

surface

between

below

12

high frequency word cards



country

father

never

contain

decided

13

inches

minutes

became

under

story

14

along

something

example

person

quickly

15

correct

finally

English

begin

always

16



Fluency

Give Me Five

F. 006

paper
together
important
upon
travel

17

certain
figure
notice
until
children

18

began
river
carry
busy
money

19

slowly
table
numeral
without
second

20

high frequency word cards



later
idea
enough
pattern
against

21

hundred
vowel
morning
become
really

22

almost
above
sometimes
toward
himself

23

several
covered
listen
mountain
being

24



Fluency

Give Me Five

F. 006

family

body

music

early

remember

25

measure

happened

products

color

question

26

area

problem

complete

however

better

27

during

today

across

usually

easy

28

high frequency word cards



Words Correct Per Minute

1 st try	_____ words
2 nd try	_____ words
3 rd try	_____ words
4 th try	_____ words
5 th try	_____ words



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Fluency

Give Me Five

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blank cards

