7th Grade Progress Monitoring

December-February Examiner Packet

Administer once between December and February using any one of the passages listed on the following page. Avoid selecting the same passage you administered between August and November.

Directions

"I want you to read this passage out loud and do your best reading. If you get stuck or come to a word you cannot read, I will tell you the word so you can keep reading. When I say 'Stop,' I will ask you to tell me about what you read. Do you understand? ... Okay, you will begin as soon as I turn the page."

- Read the title of the passage.
- Start timing when the student says the first word.
- As he or she is reading, mark any words incorrect that are misread (i.e., substitutions, omissions, reversals, skips, or numerals read incorrectly).
- If the student hesitates for more than 3 seconds on a word, mark it as an error. Provide the word and then say, "Go on."
- If the student skips a line, stop and redirect the student to the beginning of the line. Count the first word of the line as an error. Do not stop the timer.
- After 60 seconds, say, "Stop." Circle the last word read.
- If the student finishes all the words before the time is up, note the time required to read all the words.
- COMPREHENSION RETELL: Give the initial retell prompt: "Can you tell me everything you remember reading in the passage?" Each time the student pauses, use the follow-up prompt ("Do you remember anything else?") until the student can recall no other information.

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GRADE 7

Progress Monitoring Passages December-February

		TEXT
STORY	LEXILE	TYPE
A SOOTHING SONG	500	N
THE WRITING PENCIL	510	N
TITANIC	550	N
KOALAS	560	E
VICKIE AND THE KITTEN	710	N
JANE GOODALL: A FRIEND TO CHIMPANZEES	740	E
A GREAT COMET	780	E
FACES ON THE MOUNTAIN	950	E

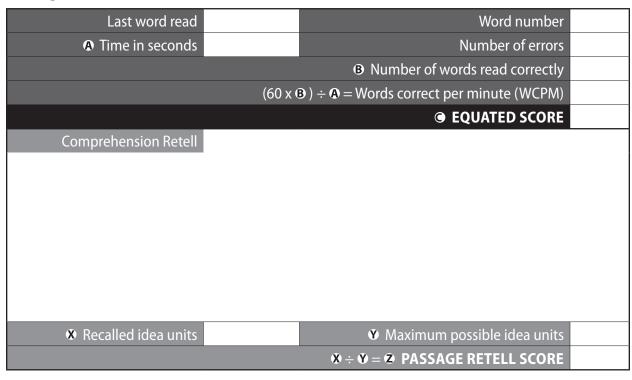
N = Narrative passage

E = Expository passage

Record Sheet: Passage Reading Fluency

Student Name	Date	Gender
Examiner (and Title)	School	Grade

Passage,



A Soothing Song

TCLD Title: A Soothing Song
Lexile: 500 – 7th Grade Progress Monitoring Dec-Feb #1
Source: TAKS Study Guide 2003

	Kayla stood and stared into the box at her feet. The puppy she had found had been crying for an
20	hour. Now Kayla was ready to cry, too. Kayla knew her parents were tired of listening to the noise.
39	She had tried everything she could think of—chew toys, food, a warm blanket. Nothing made the
56	puppy happy. She wanted to keep him, and her parents had said he could stay if he behaved.
74	So Kayla didn't cry. She wouldn't give up! She sat down on the floor and began to sing. The puppy
94	stopped howling. Kayla smiled and sang some more. Maybe this would work after all .
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Grade 7 Progress Monitoring Equating Table DEC - FEB - A Soothing Song

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48	57	120	114	191	171	262-263	228
49-50	58	121	115	192	172	264	229
51	59	122	116	193-194	173	265	230
52	60	123-124	117	195	174	266	231
53	61	125	118	196	175	267-268	232
54-55	62	126	119	197	176	269	233
56	63	127	120	198-199	177	270	234
57	64	128-129	121	200	178	271	235
58	65	130	122	201	179	272-273	236
59-60	66	131	123	202	180	274	237
61	67	132	124	203-204	181	275	238
62	68	133-134	125	205	182	276	239
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66	70	137	128	208-209	185	280	242
67	72	138-139	129	210	186	281	243
68	73	140	130	210	187	282-283	244
69-70	74	141	131	212	188	284	245
71	75	142	131	213-214	189	285	246
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111	107	182	164	254	221		
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113-114	109	185	166	256	223		
115	110	186	167	257-258	224		
116	111	187	168	259	225		

# of Words Read	⊘ Recalled I	⊗ Recalled Idea Unit							
15	A girl Kayla	found a puppy	1						
39	Her The girl's Kayla's	noise parents were tired of the puppy crying noisy puppy	2						
49	She The girl	tried chew toys it him quiet to keep her happy everything she could think of to keep or the puppy	3						
	Kayla	happy couldn't make the puppy quiet stop crying							
74	She The girl Kayla	could keep the puppy if it was quiet	4						
78	She The girl Kayla	didn't cry wouldn't give up	5						
92	She The girl Kayla	sang began singing to the puppy	6						
06	The puppy	he puppy stopped howling							
96	Her The girl's Kayla's								

The Writing Pencil

TCLD Title: The Writing Pencil
Lexile: 510 – 7th Grade Progress Monitoring Dec-Feb #2
Source: SDAA 2005

22 41 59	Josh had to write a story for school. Time was running out. He had to turn in his paper in two days. He was beginning to worry. "What if I can't think of a good story?" he wondered. Josh thought of flying cars and tall mountains and faraway lands. He picked up the new pencil that was a present from his aunt. Then he looked at the clean, white paper. No ideas came to him.
75 94	Josh went to sleep. He had a dream about a pencil that could write wonderful stories. All Josh had to do was hold the pencil on the paper.
103 122 139	When Josh woke up the next morning, he looked at his new pencil. He knew what he would write about. He wrote so fast that the pencil seemed to be writing the story all by itself!

Grade 7 Progress Monitoring Equating Table DEC - FEB - *The Writing Pencil*

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22	A boy Josh	nan .	aper tory	due in t	wo days	1				
36	He The boy Josh	was worrie	was worried he couldn't think of a good story							
43	He The boy Josh		tried to think of things to write about							
62	He The boy Josh	used picked up	a new pencil from his aunt							
75	He The boy Josh	didn't have couldn't ge	•		or	5				
/5	No ideas ca	ame to $ $	im ne boy osh		or	5				
91	He The boy Josh	dreamt abo	dreamt about a pencil that wrote stories							
123	He The boy Josh		decided to write about his new pencil looked at his pencil and knew what he was going to write							
127	He The boy Josh	could write wrote	e th	e story	easily fast like the pencil in his dream	8				

Titanic

Lexile: 550 – 7th Grade Progress Monitoring Dec-Feb #3
Source: TPRI

	April 10th, 1912, was the most exciting day of my life. Little did I know that it was a prelude to
21	the most terrifying time of my life as well.
30	My father had moved to America several months prior to then. He found a good job. He had
48	finally saved enough money to bring my mother and me to join him. He surprised us with second
66	class tickets on a ship called the RMS Titanic. My mother told me it was the biggest ship in the
86	world.
	World.
87	I couldn't believe my eyes when I saw it. It was enormous! My mom let me wander around
105	alone and explore the ship. I was 8 and grown up enough to know not to get into trouble or to be
127	a nuisance. I quickly made a friend on board. Her name was Marjorie. She was going to visit
145	America with her parents. We spent nearly the entire trip playing together and watching the other
161	passengers. We had hours of fun!
101	passengers. We had notes of run.
167	Everything was normal when I went to bed on April 14th. Around midnight I was startled awake
184	by the voices of men yelling and women screaming. My mother ran into the hall. She heard
201	someone say we had hit an iceberg. The ship was filling with water. We had no time to gather our
221	belongings or get dressed. We followed the panicking crowd toward the main deck. My mother
236	clutched my hand tightly.
250	erdened my nand tightiy.
240	Someone was yelling that the boat was sinking. How could this be? I looked at my mom. I
258	could tell it was true. People were frantic to get to the lifeboats. There were so many people. I
277	wondered how they could all fit into so few boats. People were pushing each other. I was knocked
295	to the ground. I heard my mother scream. A kind man picked me up before I was trampled. He
314	led my mom and me to a lifeboat and made sure we were safely aboard. As other people boarded
333	
353	with us, I saw Marjorie and her family waiting in line. I yelled for them, but they didn't hear me.
	I was scared for them. I wanted them to come on my boat. I wanted them to be safe, too. I told
375	the crewman that I would make room for them, but he gave the order to release our boat without
394	hearing what I had said. We had to leave without them.
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405	I don't know how long we floated in the sea. We were freezing, wet, and scared, but we were
424	the lucky ones. We were alive. So many people were left behind that night. I wondered what
441	happened to Marjorie. I never saw her again.

When we got to America, my father was waiting for us. His eyes were filled with tears, and he sobbed as he held us tightly. Years later I realized that those tears weren't only for us, but for all the people who never made it to America. Ever since then, even though my name is Jessica, he has called me Joy. He gave me that new nickname to reflect how he felt when he was told that we survived.

Grade 7 Progress Monitoring Equating Table DEC - FEB - *Titanic*

	Equator		Egypted	ī	Equated		Equated
WORK	Equated	WODIA	Equated	WORK	Equated	WODI	Equated
WCPM	Score	WCPM	Score	WCPM	Score	WCPM	Score
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37	25	94	82	151	139	209	196
38	26	95	83	152	140	210	197
39	27	96	84	153	141	211	198
40	28	97	85	154	142	212	199
41	29	98	86	155	143	213	200
42	30	99	87	156	144	214	201
43	31	100	88	157	145	215	202
44	32	101	89	158	146	216	203
45	33	102	90	159	147	217	204
46	34	103	91	160	148	218	205
47	35	104	92	161	149	219	206
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53	41	110	98	167	155	225	212
54	42	111	99	168	156	226	213
55	43	112	100	169	157	227	214
56	44	113	101	170-171	158	228	215
57	45	114	102	172	159	229	216
58	46	115	103	173	160	230	217
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64	52	121	109	179	166	236	223
65	53	122	110	180	167	237	224
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67	55	124	112	182	169	239	226
68	56	125	113	183	170	240	227
69	57	126	114	184	171	241	228
70	58	127	115	185	172	242	229
71	59	128	116	186	173	243	230
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Each row of the table represents an idea unit and is worth 1 point.

# of Words Read	Recalled Idea Unit	♥ Maximum Possible Idea Units						
30	an exciting day It April 10th was the start the beginning of something scary an exciting day terrifying scary							
46	had His/her father found a job in America got							
75	surprised the family sent the mother/mom and him/her The father saved money to bring the mother/mom and him/her to America to America	3						
87	The ship enormous The Titanic the biggest ship in the world	4						
110	He She was old enough not to get into trouble on the ship	5						
136	He She made a friend met a girl met Marjorie	6						
157	They He/She and Marjorie had fun together for hours the entire trip the whole trip	7						
193	screaming woke up to screams He yells She someone screaming around midnight in the night							
208	The ship hit an iceberg The Titanic some ice							
234	They hurried to the He/she and the mother/mom followed the crowd main area on the ship	10						

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# of Words Read	② Recalled	② Recalled Idea Unit								
263	The ship The Titan	was sii ic was st	nking arting to	o sink					11	
271	People	were pushing ble were panicked to get on the were frantic were frantic were pushing boats lifeboats								
313	A man		saved him/her from being picked him/her off the ground before she was trampled run over stepped on							
329	The man	them In got the family on a lifeboat the mother/mom and him/her							14	
358	He She	called yelled for Marjorie to get on the lifeboat or his/her friend was scared for Marjorie Marjorie's family						15		
405	The boat	had to left	leave	with	nout	his/her fi Marjorie Marjorie			16	
430	He/she The famil They	The family was (were) lucky						17		
449	He She	iever saw	his/he Marjo	er frien orie	ıd a	again			18	
469	they the family he/she and his/her mother he saw he held he/she and his/her mother he saw he held he/she and his/her mother						in America	19		
528	Her fathe	r started cal	ling hei	r Joy				she survived was Jessica	20	

Koalas

Lexile: 560 – 7th Grade Progress Monitoring Dec-Feb #4
Source: TPRI

16	Koalas live in Australia. Sometimes people call them koala bears. But koalas are not bears. They are marsupials. Marsupials are mammals that have pouches.
24 41 58	When koalas are born, they immediately go to their mother's pouch. They stay there for about six months. This is where they grow and develop. Baby koalas are called joeys. When they are born, they are very tiny. They are no bigger than a peanut.
69 87 107	Joeys cannot see or hear when they are born. These senses develop in the pouch. After they leave the pouch, they ride on their mother's backs until they are ready to be on their own. Koalas can be on their own when they are about a year old.
117 133 150 170	Koalas are very gentle animals. They keep to themselves and don't hurt other animals. They are nocturnal. Koalas sleep for about 18 hours each day. They have large, rubbery noses. Their ears are big and floppy. And they have thumbs that make it easy to grip trees and food. Their soft fur makes them look cuddly and cute.
175 191	Koalas live in eucalyptus trees. They spend most of their days there. They eat only eucalyptus leaves. Koalas rarely drink water. They get all the water they need from the eucalyptus leaves.
207 229	When a koala is around the age of 2 or 3, he is considered fully grown. At this age, a female koala can have a baby of her own.
236 254 271 289 306 312	The number of koalas has dwindled over the years. People used to hunt koalas for their fur. Their forests have been destroyed to build houses. Many have been killed or injured by cars. Because of this, Australia has made it a protected animal. People are no longer allowed to hunt them. But there are no laws protecting their forests. Many koalas now live in zoos or special areas where people can make sure they stay safe.

Grade 7 Progress Monitoring Equating Table DEC - FEB - Koalas

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# of Words Read	⊗ Recalled Idea Unit							
4	Koalas	are not bears live in are from Australia	1					
18	They Koalas	are mammals with pouches	2					
42	Baby koalas stay in their mother's pouch for six months							
54	Baby koa	las are called joeys	4					
62	They Baby koa Joeys	Baby koalas are the size of a peanut						
74	They Baby koa Joeys	can't see or hear sight get vision hearing in the pouch senses	6					
95	They Koalas	ride on their mother's back until they are a year old until they are ready to be on their own	7					
121	They Koalas	are gentle don't hurt other animals keep to themselves						
134	They Koalas	sleep for a long time 18 hours each day are nocturnal	9					

# of Words Read	⊘ Recalled	⊗ Recalled Idea Unit							
153	They Koalas	have	floppy of thumbs thumbs soft fur	ubbery noses * loppy ears * humbs to grip trees * humbs to grip food * oft fur * cuddly fur *					
180	They Koalas		e in trees or end most of the day in trees						
192	They Koalas	eat only get wat		12					
223	They Koalas	. ard i '	grown adults	when	they're 2 or 3 years old	13			
223	Female Girl	koalas c	an have	a baby a	t 2 or 3 years old	13			
253	people hunted them for their fur There are few koalas left because their forests were destroyed to build houses they were killed by cars								
270	They Koalas	Koalas : are now protected							
279	People can no longer hunt koalas								
304	Many ko	alas now li	ive in	zoos safe pla	ces	16			

^{*} To earn credit for this idea unit, the student must mention at least two descriptive details.

Vickie and the Kitten **TCLD Title: Vickie and the Kitten**

Lexile: 710 – 7th Grade Progress Monitoring Dec-Feb #5 Source: TAAS 2000

19 40 56 74 92	Vickie wanted a kitten more than anything. When she was old enough to take care of a pet, her parents bought her a kitten as a surprise. It was tiny and as white and soft as cotton. In fact, Vickie named him Cotton. After her parents brought him home, Vickie and her brother Kevin played with Cotton. They watched him chase a piece of string. They took turns holding him and petting his soft fur. Vickie and Kevin held the kitten close. Cotton purred and looked up at them with big green eyes.
93	Then Kevin began to sneeze, and his eyes became red. The more he held the kitten, the more he sneezed.
113 129	"Uh-oh," their dad said with a worried look. "Maybe Kevin shouldn't be in contact with the kitten."
130	"I'll keep Cotton in my room away from Kevin," Vickie suggested. "Then Kevin won't sneeze."
145 161	But Kevin kept sneezing, and his eyes watered. Finally Vickie's mom said, "I'm sorry, Vickie. We can't keep Cotton if he makes Kevin sick."
169 188 207	Vickie began to sob. Her mom hugged her and wiped away her tears. "Vickie, I know this is hard. But we'll find a good home for Cotton. With Kevin sneezing, this isn't the right home for a cat." Vickie understood, but she was disappointed.
213 230 247	The next day Vickie's mom suggested that they call Mrs. Parsi, who lived across the street. She already had two cats, but she might know someone who wanted a kitten. Vickie agreed sadly while Cotton purred happily.
250 270 290	"I do know a family who wants a kitten," Mrs. Parsi told them in a cheerful voice. "Their last name is Martin. They just moved into the house next door to me. They had planned to get a kitten once they were settled in their new home."
297 313 328	That evening Vickie and her mom knocked on the Martins' door. Mr. and Mrs. Martin greeted them warmly. They smiled with delight when they saw Cotton. "He's beautiful!" Mrs. Martin said. "Cotton is the perfect name for him."

335	Mr. Martin noticed Vickie's sad face. He said, "Vickie, maybe you can help us take care of Cotton. You can come over anytime and play with him."
362	Just then a girl about Vickie's age came down the stairs. "Oh, what a cute kitten!" she exclaimed when she saw Cotton. "I love his big green eyes."
390	"His name is Cotton," Vickie said. "He loves to chase string."
401 418 435	Together the girls played with Cotton. They laughed as Cotton jumped for the string and ran after it. They talked together as they played. Vickie learned that the girl's name was Marie. They would be in the same class at school.
442 461 478 483	A while later Vickie's mom said it was time to go home. Vickie smiled as she said farewell to Cotton and handed him to Marie. Vickie waved. She thought, "Cotton has the right home now, and I have a new friend."

Grade 7 Progress Monitoring Equating Table DEC - FEB – *Vickie and the Kitten*

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87	83	152	140	217-218	197	283	254	
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# of Words Read	№ Recalled Idea Unit							
4	A girl Vickie	wanted a kitten	1					
24	Her Vickie's	parents gave her one when she was old enough to take care of it mom and dad bought her a kitten as a surprise	2					
43	She Vickie	named him because he was white he was soft	3					
57	She Vickie	and her brother and Kevin the kitten Cotton or watched the kitten Cotton the kitten chase a piece of string	4					
72	They Vickie a	nd her brother (Kevin) held him (Cotton) and petted him	5					
98		Kevin Her (Vickie's) brother The more Kevin Her (Vickie's) brother Kevin Her (Vickie's) brother Kevin Her (Vickie's) brother Held Kevin Her (Vickie's) brother Kevin Her (Vickie's) brother Kevin Held Cotton, Kevin Got allergies got allergies got red eyes						
130	Her Their	dad thought Kevin shouldn't touch the kitten have contact with Cotton	7					
136	Vickie	kept suggested she keep thought about keeping wanted to keep to kept it the kitten Cotton in her room away from her brother (Kevin)	8					
164	Her Their	mom said they couldn't keep the kitten Cotton because Kevin kept sneezing because the kitten made Kevin sick						
173	Vickie	cried sobbed was sad	10					

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# of Words Read	⊗ Recalled Idea	Unit							Maximum Possible Idea Units
196	Her (Vickie's) m	nom	wanted promise	d t	o find	a good ho	me for	the kitten Cotton	11
190	I VICKIA I	disapp erstoo	ointed	that t	hey ha	d to get ri	d of i	he kitten Cotton	11
224	Her (Vickie's) m	nom	called decided suggeste			the neighbor Call Mrs. Parsi *			12
262	Mrs. Parsi knev	v ¦ th	family e Martins :her neigh		who	who wanted a kitten			13
308	Vickie and her	mom	went to m	eet	-	new neigh Martins	bors		14
323	They † The Martins Mr. and Mrs. Martin					kitten on			15
341	They † noticed The neighbors saw The Martins noticed Mr. Martin noticed saw					sad <i>oi</i> face	r		16
353	He They [†] The neighbors The Martins Mr. Martin	He They † The neighbors said Vickie could				play witl help tak	h e care of	the kitten Cotton	17
407	Vickie and	the girl Vickie and the neighbor girl the Martins' daughter					the kitte Cotton	en	18
440	The girl The neighbor girl The Martins' daughter Marie Was in Vickie's class							19	
483	Cotton The kitten	had a l	nome and	Vickie	had a	friend			20

^{*} It is acceptable for the student to say "Miss Parsi."

[†] The pronoun "they" is acceptable only if it is clear that student is referring to the Martins/neighbors.

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Jane Goodall: A Friend to Chimpanzees TCLD Title: Jane Goodall: A Friend to Chimpanzees Lexile: 740 – 7th Grade Progress Monitoring Dec-Feb #6 Source: TAAS 2002

	When Jane Goodall was a child, her family heard that a baby chimpanzee had been born at a zoo
19	in London. To celebrate this exciting news, Goodall's parents bought her a stuffed toy chimpanzee.
34	She named it Jubilee after the real baby chimp at the zoo. From that day on, Goodall kept the
53	stuffed animal by her side.
58	Jane Goodall was born on April 3, 1934, in London, England. As a child she was fascinated with
76	animals. At the age of four, she sat for hours in a henhouse, watching closely. She wanted to find
95	out how chickens lay eggs.
100	While walking to school, she often stopped to watch a bird or squirrel. By looking and listening,
117	Goodall learned about animals.
121	From an early age Goodall loved to read. One of her favorite books was The Story of Dr. Dolittle,
140	a tale about a man who could talk to animals. Goodall also enjoyed reading about wild animals.
157	She began to dream about going to Africa to study them.
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183	About three years after she finished high school, Goodall unexpectedly received a letter. It was
	from an old classmate whom Goodall had not heard from in a long time. The friend wrote that
201	her family had moved to a farm in Africa. She invited Goodall for a visit, and Goodall accepted.
219	For several months Goodall worked hard and saved money for the trip. She also read more about
236	Africa. In 1957 Goodall sailed to Africa. After visiting her friend, Goodall began a job in Kenya.
253	There she met a scientist who told her about a group of chimpanzees in nearby Tanzania. He
270	helped arrange for her to study the chimps in the wild.
281	At first Goodall did not see many chimps. They would run away when she approached, but
297	eventually they began to accept her. Within a few months they did not flee when she was near.
315	Goodall watched how the animals lived and behaved. She carefully wrote down her observations.
329	While doing so, she made many important discoveries about chimpanzees. She learned that chimps
343	do not eat only plants, as scientists had thought. Chimps also eat insects and sometimes meat.
359	Another of Goodall's discoveries was even more amazing. One day she was watching a chimp that
375	she called David Greybeard. David Greybeard poked a blade of grass into an insect mound. When
391	he pulled out the blade of grass, it was covered with insects. Then he ate the insects off the blade of
412	grass. Later Goodall saw the same chimp using a stick to collect insects. This showed Goodall that
429	chimpanzees use tools to get food.

Goodall has spent many years studying chimpanzees and has become an expert on their behavior.

Now she travels around the world, giving speeches about chimps. She wants people to be concerned about animals, both in zoos and in the wild. Wherever Goodall goes, her stuffed chimpanzee Jubilee is by her side.

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Grade 7 Progress Monitoring Equating Table DEC - FEB – *Jane Goodall: A Friend to Chimpanzees*

	Equated		Equated		Equated		Equated
WCPM	Score	WCPM	Score	WCPM	Score	WCPM	Score
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21	26	80	83	138	140	197	197
22	27	81	84	139	141	198	198
23	28	82	85	140	142	199	199
24	29	83	86	141	143	200	200
25	30	84	87	142	144	201	201
26	31	85	88	143-144	145	202	202
27	32	86	89	145	146	203	203
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29	34	88	91	147	148	205	205
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19	A chimpa	nzee was l	born	at a zoo in Lond					1	
34	She Jane	got	-	impanze d animal		panzee)		т or	2	
	Goodall	always l	kept	a toy chi a stuffed Jubilee	-		panzee)	with her by her side		
77	She Jane Goodall	always l was faso		by an	imals				3	
100	She Jane Goodall	watched	י לו	ickens ens	to se	ee nd out	how the	ey laid eggs	4	
111	She Jane Goodall	watched studied learned listened	about	differe birds squirr		imals	5			
140	She Jane Goodall Her favori	loved to			anima a man Or. Do	who tal	ked to ani	imals	6	
168	She Jane dreamed of studying animals in Africa Goodall							7		
187	After high sc After she gra	duated Ja	ne ane ¦ oodall ¦	got a lette	r from			t heard from in a long time	8	
216	The frienc	l invited h	er (God	dall) to		her plac her farm ca			9	

# of Words Read	⊗ Recalled Idea Unit									
231	She Jane	got ready saved money to go to Africa for her trip to Africa to visit her friend							10	
	Goodall	went sailed	to Af	rica in 1957		OI				
253	She Jane Goodall		started working got a job in Kenya							11
281	Someone A scientist	' helped her study ' ' in nature					12			
293	The chimp	15 1	would run away hide from her (Goodall)					13		
303	They The chimp	start os bega	i	i her ((¬oodall)				14		
348	She Jane Goodall	learned discover	learned discovered that chimps			don't eat just plants eat more than just plants				15
413	She Jane Goodall	learned discover	ed	that chimps u	ıse	tools blades of gr sticks	ass	to get	food insects	16
447	She Jane	became an expert on chimps chimpanzees						17		
	Goodall	gives sp	eeches	on chimps ar	ound	d the world				
486	She Jane Goodall	still carri	<u> </u>	ner stuffed chi Iubilee	mpa	nzee				18

A Great Comet

TCLD Title: A Great Comet

Lexile: 780 – 7th Grade Progress Monitoring Dec-Feb #7
Source: TAAS 2000

18 40	For six months in 1997, people watched a glowing object in the night sky. Comet Hale-Bopp made a show in the sky that lasted from January to June. Its head shone as brightly as a star. Its tail swept back like a fan. Some people thought it might be the best comet to pass by Earth in 20 years.
60 79 98 117 134 152	Comets begin as dirty chunks of rock in an icy fog. Some of these rocks move toward the sun when its gravity pulls them. Once the rocks get near the sun, they begin to look like comets. Each comet forms a tail and a round head that are characteristic of all comets. The round head and tail make a comet easy to recognize. Comets travel in orbits, or circles, around the sun. These orbits can be big or small. Comets that make small orbits around the sun come near Earth every 200 years or less. They are not very bright, but we see them more often.
166 186	Hale-Bopp is a comet that makes big orbits around the sun. It will not pass near Earth again for about 2,400 years.
189 209 225 245 263 280	In the 1990s about 12 comets a year were discovered. Most of these could not be seen in the sky without special equipment because they did not come very close to Earth. Even though Hale-Bopp was far away from Earth, it could be seen because its head was huge. The heads of most comets are no larger than six miles in diameter. Hale-Bopp's head was about 25 miles across. Because of its size, Hale-Bopp glowed brightly. Most of the famous comets have had long, thin tails that streamed for millions of miles. Hale-Bopp's tail was wider and shorter.
291 306 324 341 362 368	People enjoyed watching Hale-Bopp for several reasons. It glowed brightly. Hale-Bopp could be seen without a telescope for six months, from an hour after sunset until an hour before sunrise each day. Everyone had sufficient time to see this bright traveler. There were plenty of chances to look at it. There will continue to be many more comets for us to see. Like Hale-Bopp, they will look like glowing balls in the night sky.

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111	101	100	136	200	213	

Each row of the table represents an idea unit and is worth 1 point.

# of Words Read	❷ Recalled	ldea Unit						Maximum Possible Idea Units	
17	The come Hale-Bopp	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i							
34	It The come Hale-Bopp	1	a tail like a	fan			· or	2	
34	The come Hale-Bop _l	' haa	glowe d shone shined	; brign	tly ght as a	star		2	
60	People the	ought	it a long time the comet was the best in many years Hale-Bopp 20 years					3	
67	Comets	start begin	as rocks chunks of rock						
404	Comets	have are reco	round heads and tails						
106	The head a	head and tail of the comet are made when it gets close to the sun close by						5	
132	Comets	move travel orbit circle	around the sun						
155	Comets	in that mal	ke small	orbits circles	i are i				
175	Hale-Bopp	makes big orbits circles					8		

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	212 Comets discovered			in the 1990s			did not o	ome close to	Earth us	
212				not long ago		were har needed	9			
239	Hale-Bopp could be seen because it Hale-Bopp could be seen because it had a huge head had a large head								10	
260	wide Hale-Bopp's head was 25 miles across in diameter							11		
289	Hale-Bopp's tail was wider than shorter than					most other	i comets			
202	Decelo	liked	! ! ! !				glowed b	13		
302	People	enjoyed	r Haie	e-Bopp because it		could be	could be seen viewed without a telescope special equipment			
358	There will be other comets			ets	like Hale-Bopp that look like glowing balls in the sky			14		

Faces on the Mountain

TCLD Title: Faces on the Mountain

Lexile: 950 – 7th Grade Progress Monitoring Dec-Feb #8 Source: SDAA 2003

16 34 51 67	In 1924 Doane Robinson of the South Dakota Historical Society had an idea. He thought carving huge stone faces into a mountainside would be a wonderful gift to the people of the United States. The monument would also attract tourists to his state. He hired sculptor Gutzon Borglum to do the carving. Mount Rushmore's giant faces now bring millions of visitors to South Dakota to see one of the largest public monuments ever created.
74 90 108 124 144 160 175 190 204	Borglum chose Mount Rushmore in the Black Hills as the site for the carving. The mountain's rock face was 400 feet high and 1,000 feet across. The carvings would last because the rock was hard granite without deep cracks or other obvious flaws. Because it faced southeast, the rock face was lit by the sun most of the day, so the carved faces would not be in the shadows. Robinson suggested carving the faces of western heroes such as Lewis and Clark. Borglum wanted to honor the Presidents who had helped make the United States a great nation. Borglum's vision won out. He chose George Washington, the first President, and Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence. Next he chose Abraham Lincoln, his personal hero, and finally the great outdoorsman Theodore Roosevelt.
208 224 242 261 277 294 310 325 342	Work began on August 10, 1927. Artisans used dynamite to blast rock from the mountain. Then they cut away more rock to create the faces. These master craftsmen sat in special chairs on long cables that hung over the side of the mountain. Borglum used a five-foot-high plaster model of the faces to direct the workers. When workers started carving Jefferson's face, they found that the rock on that side of the mountain was unstable. Borglum had to readjust his plans and carve Jefferson on the other side of Washington. The original carving of Jefferson's face was blasted away with dynamite. Lincoln was carved after Jefferson, and Roosevelt was carved last. It took workers six and a half years to finish the carving, though the memorial wasn't completed for 14 years because of financial problems.
345 360 378 386	The memorial's 50th anniversary was celebrated with an elaborate party on July 3, 1991. Nineteen of the men who had helped build the monument attended. Today the site is more popular than ever, attracting close to three million visitors each year.

Grade 7 Progress Monitoring Equating Table DEC - FEB – *Faces on the Mountain*

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# of Words Read	ூ Recalled Idea Unit								
	A man	wanted to	carve faces int						
22	Doane Robinson	thought	carvings stone faces	people citizens US citizens Americans	1				
	Millions of	visitors people tourists	people go to see the faces in South Dakota tourists on the monument						
52	Gutzon Borglum	was hired	sculpt the following the follo	2					
	A sculptor Another mar	sculpted carved	' ' MOUNT RUSHMORD						
82	Mount Rushi The mountai	1	in the Black Hills 400 feet high 1,000 feet across	3					
110	The rock The granite	l and also							
124	The faces	would not be in the shadow The faces were mostly in the sun were facing southeast							
162	They The men Robinson an		ecided to carve Pre	6					
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186	They Borglum	picked chose	Jeff Linc	erson (the auth coln (his person	nor of the	rst President) * or of the Declaration of Independence) * al hero) * outdoorsman) *				
233	They had	to	use d	the rock ynamite way rock	to make to create to carve to sculpt			8		
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251	The sculptor Borglum		used	a model to	direct help		the craftsmen the carvers the workers			9
298	Jefferson's	face carvi		had to be m		!	cause of e to the	unstable weak	rock granite mountain	10
333	It took	six a	over six years six and a half years to finish the carvings							11
	Some Nineteen	i of the workers were at the 50th anniversary of the memorial								
359	The Its The memorial's Mount Rushmore's								Or	12

^{*} To earn credit for this idea unit, the student must mention at least two presidents or stated reasons for their inclusion.