

The Placement Test

The placement test has two parts. In part 1, each student reads a passage aloud as you count decoding errors. In part 2, students answer comprehension questions about the passage.

Instructions for Part 1

You should administer part 1 in a corner of the classroom so that other students will not

overhear the testing. Use the following procedure.

test.)

2. (Point to the passage and say:) You're going to read the passage aloud. I want you to read it as well as you can. Don't try to read it so fast you make mistakes, but

If the student skips a line, point to the line and count one error.

If the student does not finish the passage within the given time limit, count every word not read as an error. For example, if the student is eight words from the end of the passage at the end of the time limit, count eight errors.

Instructions for Part 2

After all the students have finished part 1, administer part 2 to the entire group. Use the

following procedure.

1. (Assemble the student.)
2. (Give each student a copy of the placement test.)
3. (Say:) Here is the passage you read earlier.

the questions in part 2. You have seven minutes. Go.

4. (Collect the test papers after seven minutes.)

5. (Total each student's errors, using the

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Grade 5.

- Students who made zero to six errors on part 1 or more than two errors on part 2 can be placed in Reading Mastery Signature Edition, Grade 4.
- Students who made more than six errors on part 1 or more than two errors on part 2 should be placed in the placement test in Reading Mastery Signature Edition.

Practice Test

PART 1

Answer the questions.

1. How many people live in the city?
The city has a population of about 1,600,000 people.

2. How long does it take to get to school?
It takes about 30 minutes to get to school.

3. How many hours do you work?
I work about 40 hours a week.

4. How much money do you have?
I have about \$100.

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PART 2

1. How many people live in the city?

2. How long does it take to get to school?

3. How many hours do you work?

4. How much money do you have?

5. How many people live in the city?

6. How long does it take to get to school?

7. How many hours do you work?

8. How much money do you have?

9. How many people live in the city?
