

AASA Oral Reading Fluency Test Unit Frequently Asked Questions

1. Please provide an overview of the Grade 3 Oral Reading Fluency test unit that will be included in AASA in Spring 2024.

Each student will read three separate passages, with a time limit of one minute per passage, similar to what is done for other Oral Reading Fluency tools used in schools.

2. Is the Oral Reading Fluency test unit for Grade 3 only?

Yes, only Grade 3 students will participate in the Oral Reading Fluency test unit.

3. Who will score the Oral Reading Fluency test unit?

The Oral Reading Fluency test unit, and all AASA test units, will be scored by Pearson, our vendor for AASA.

4. Will paper-based testing schools administer the Oral Reading Fluency test unit on the telephone or on a computer?

New this year, paper-based testing schools will be required to administer the Oral Reading Fluency test unit online in TestNav. The online test will be administered in small groups of no more than 6 students testing in a classroom or computer lab environment at one time. Paper-based testing schools will no longer use a landline speaker telephone for the Oral Reading Fluency test administration.

5. How will computer-based testing schools administer the ORF test unit?

Computer-based testing schools must administer the Oral Reading Fluency test unit online in TestNav. The online test will be administered in small groups of no more than 6 students testing in a classroom or computer lab environment at one time.

6. How many students may be tested in a small group at one time?

A maximum of six students may be simultaneously testing in a classroom or a computer lab environment. Please see the <u>Recommended Seating Arrangements</u> for the Oral Reading Fluency test unit.

7. Please share the headphone and microphone requirements for the Oral Reading Fluency test.

The headphone and microphone requirements can be found in the <u>Pearson Headphone and</u>

Microphone Requirements document. The online Oral Reading Fluency test requires the use of

<u>Microphone Requirements</u> document. The online Oral Reading Fluency test requires the use of headsets with microphones as the student's voice recording will be captured in TestNav. It is recommended that headsets be unidirectional with noise-cancelling microphones.

8. Will students receive a score for the Oral Reading Fluency test unit?

A decision has been made to gather additional information from the Spring 2024 test administration of the Oral Reading Fluency items. This means that these items **will not** be included in a student's overall score, nor will there be any changes to the Move on When Reading indicator for the 2023-2024 school year.



9. I have students who are fully deaf and/or blind. How will I administer the Oral Reading Fluency items to them?

Students who take the Braille or American Sign Language (ASL) form of AASA will not participate in the Oral Reading Fluency test unit. Please see the <u>Accessibility for Grade 3 Oral Reading Fluency Items</u> document for additional guidance. If you have any questions, please contact ADE at <u>AASA@azed.gov</u>.

10. Is there a Sample Test for the Oral Reading Fluency test?

Yes, there is an AASA Oral Reading Fluency Sample Test. To access all AASA Sample Tests, including the Grade 3 Oral Reading Fluency Sample Test, go to https://home.testnav.com/, select "Arizona," then click on "Mic Check and Sample Tests."