



AASA Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Please provide an overview of the Grade 3 Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) test section that will be added to AASA in Spring 2022.**

The ORF section will be administered similarly to the AZELLA speaking section. 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 ORF test section for grade 3 only?**

Yes, only grade 3 students will participate in the ORF test section.

- 3. Who will score the ORF test section?**

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

- 4. Will paper-based schools administer the ORF test section on the telephone or on a computer?**

Paper-based testing schools will have the option of administering the ORF test section either online or on a telephone. Computer-based testing schools must administer the ORF test section online.

- 5. Please share the headphone and microphone requirements for the ORF test section.**

The headphone and microphone requirements can be found in this document: [Pearson Headphone and Microphone Requirements](#).

- 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 [Recommended Seating Arrangements](#) for the ORF test section.

- 7. Will students receive a score for the ORF test section?**

The ORF test section is being field tested in Spring 2022. The ORF items will not be included in the students' ELA score nor the Move On Reading score. Reminder: LEAs and schools will not receive any data on field tests or field test items. In 2023, The ORF test section score will be included as part of the students' ELA overall score. The State Board of Education will determine how these items will factor into the Move on When Reading score.

- 8. I have students who are fully deaf and/or blind. How will I administer the ORF items to them?**

Please see the [Accessibility for Grade 3 ORF Items](#) document for guidance. If you have any questions, please contact ADE at AASA@azed.gov.

- 9. Is there a Sample Test for the ORF?**

Yes, there is an ORF Sample Test. To access all AASA Sample Tests, including the Grade 3 ORF Sample Test, go to <https://home.testnav.com/>, select "Arizona," then click on "Mic Check and Sample Tests." The ORF Sample Test Scoring Guide is also available on the [AASA webpage](#) under "AASA Sample Tests."