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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 2025.**

On September 23, 2024, the Arizona State Board of Education approved the operational use of the AASA Grade 3 ELA Oral Reading Fluency test items on the AASA Grade 3 ELA assessment. Beginning with the Spring 2025 AASA test administration, the AASA Grade 3 ELA Oral Reading Fluency test unit will be an operational test unit and will be included in each Grade 3 student's ELA score and in the Move on When Reading (MOWR) indicator.

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.

***New in Spring 2025,** students will read a short practice passage after they complete the microphone check and before they begin recording the operational Oral Reading Fluency passages. Test administrators may assist students and answer questions while students are recording the practice passage.*

- 2. 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."

All students must be provided multiple opportunities to practice with the Sample Tests prior to taking the operational test.

- 3. 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.

- 4. 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.

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

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.



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6. How will computer-based testing schools administer the Oral Reading Fluency 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.

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

A maximum of six students may be present in the secure testing classroom or computer lab environment, simultaneously testing. Please see the [Recommended Seating Arrangements](#) for the Oral Reading Fluency test unit.

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

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

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

Beginning with the Spring 2025 AASA test administration, the AASA Grade 3 ELA Oral Reading Fluency test unit will be an operational test unit and will be included in each Grade 3 student's ELA score and in the Move on When Reading (MOWR) indicator.

10. For 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 [Accessibility for Grade 3 Oral Reading Fluency Items](#) document for additional guidance. If you have any questions, please contact ADE at AASA@azed.gov.