

LITERACY INTERVENTION SYSTEM

Sampler includes:

Introduction from the Teacher Guide Lesson 24 for *At the Park*





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Introduction

The Hopscotch Literacy Intervention System (LIS) is an intensive six-week program designed to help low-achieving kindergarten and first-grade students develop independent reading and writing strategies. The LIS includes multicultural guided reading books featuring colorful photographs that capture children and their life experiences. These books range from text levels A to C and intervention levels 1 to 3. Additional support materials include alphabet picture cards, high frequency word cards, writing notebooks, records of oral reading, reproducible activity pages, and take-home books.

Hopscotch LIS focuses on the following literacy skills:

- Print awareness
- Letter knowledge
- Vocabulary building
- Reading and writing strategies
- Reading and writing fluency
- Oral language development
- Listening skills
- Comprehension

The materials included in Hopscotch LIS will support your literacy intervention program by providing the following:

- Explicit and systematic instruction for small groups
- Support for identifying individual student strengths and needs
- Assessments for documentation and for lesson implementation
- Opportunities for accelerated progress from text Level A to C within a six-week period
- The opportunity to monitor students' progress on a daily basis
- Take-home support for parental involvement

The Hopscotch Literacy Intervention System is designed to be implemented by trained teachers and is ideal for general education, English Language Learners (ELL), bilingual or dual language, Response to Intervention (RTI), Special Education, and Early Childhood programs.

Getting Started

Lesson Format

The Hopscotch Literacy Intervention System is an intensive program consisting of 30– to 35-minute daily lessons. By introducing a new book each day, students will read all 30 books in the program in just six weeks.

Each lesson format is structured as follows:

- 1. **Alphabet Picture Cards** (2–3 minutes)—During this portion of the lesson, students practice letter identification and letter-sound association using all of the cards. For example, when shown the *Aa* alphabet picture card, students should say *a*, */a/*, *apple*.
- 2. **High Frequency Word Cards** (2 minutes)—During this portion of the lesson, students develop fluency and automaticity of word recall. Students review the high frequency words from previous lessons, as well as those introduced in that day's guided reading book.
- 3. **Familiar Reading** (5 minutes)—During this portion of the lesson, students independently read the books from previous lessons. This enables students to develop fluency and apply reading processes such as meaning, structure, and visual cues. It is during Familiar Reading that the *Concepts About Print* checklist and *Record of Oral Reading* are administered to one or two students individually. Both assessments are based on the story read the previous day. The *Concepts About Print* checklist should be given to each child every two weeks or as needed. The *Record of Oral Reading* should be administered at least once a week for each child.
- 4. Guided Reading (10–13 minutes)—During this portion of the lesson, students are introduced to the new book. An instructional sequence is provided in each lesson. Students are given the opportunity to make connections with their experiences and the book, get exposed to new vocabulary, and practice the text pattern. While students read, observe whether or not they are demonstrating reading behaviors and strategies such as left-to-right progression, self-monitoring, and decoding skills. See Assessing Students' Reading Behaviors on page 5 for additional helpful hints. Scaffold students' reading skills by giving supportive prompts, and by using magnetic letters and/or markers and dry erase boards to conduct letter and word work. For example, if students are not attending to the initial sound of a word, use magnetic letters to spell out the word and have students compare it to how they read the word.
- 5. Word Work (1–2 minutes)—During this portion of the lesson, print is shown in a different way. Instead of viewing text on the page of a book, students spell and manipulate words using magnetic letters. This provides an opportunity for children to spell high frequency words and make connections between known words and new words. For example, if a child knows the word *can*, spell it using the magnetic letters and have the child read it. Then replace the letter *c* with the letter *m*, and have the student read the new word.

- 6. Comprehension and Writing (8–10 minutes)—During this portion of the lesson, the new story is discussed. Ask students to tell you about their favorite part of the story, what happened first or second, and so on. If students are confused about or cannot remember a part of the story, they can go back to the book for clarification. Help students make a connection to the story by discussing the suggested writing prompt. You may write the prompt on the white board to get students started. Have students record their responses in their Writing Notebooks. Observe writing behaviors and assist students who may need extra support. In this activity, students also practice the words they know and use them to create new words, thereby increasing their vocabulary. See Assessing Students' Writing Behaviors on page 6 for additional helpful tips.
- 7. **Extension Activities**—A variety of reproducible activity pages as well as additional suggestions for developing students' reading and writing skills are provided for each lesson. The reproducible activities may be used in class or given as homework.

Assessing Students' Reading and Writing Behaviors

Reading

To help you assess your students' reading practices, ask yourself the following:

- Are they reading from left to right?
- Do they have control of one-to-one correspondence?
- Are they reading fluently or word by word?
- Are they reading for meaning?
- Do they use picture clues to make sense of a word or a sentence?
- Do they reread for fluency and comprehension?
- Do they self-correct after making an error?
- Are they using decoding skills?

Encouraging Strategies During Guided Reading

Problem area: Not using left-to-right progression and one-to-one correspondence

Strategy: Encourage students to use an index finger to point to each word, from left to right, as they read. You may need to help them move the finger and point to each word as you read the words together. You may have to repeat this a few times before students gain control of the skill.

Problem area: Reading word by word without fluency

Strategy: Model the desired reading behavior by reading the sentence aloud. Then ask students to go back and reread the sentence. You will need to model the reading pattern for each story during the reading and writing activities on a daily basis in order for students to achieve fluency.

Problem area: Reading without paying attention to whether the text makes sense or not

Strategy: Ask *Did that make sense?* or *Did that sound right?* Then have students go back to the sentence and point to each word as they reread it. Remind students that words and sentences

are ways to express ideas and that they need to make sense. Encourage students to look at the pictures in the book to help them read words that are too difficult. Ask them to think about what the picture is and what the beginning letter and sound is for that word. Then instruct them to look for that word on the text page.

Writing

To help you assess your students' writing practices, ask yourself the following:

- Are students forming letters correctly or do they need more specific instruction?
- Do they have fine motor control when writing?
- Can they record the correct letter for the sound they hear?
- Do they reread what they wrote in order to monitor their own writing?
- Are they saying the word as they write it?
- Are they using what they know about reading to help them with their writing?

Encouraging Strategies During Guided Writing

Problem area: Not knowing how to form letters

Strategy: Provide magnetic letters for students to refer to while writing.

Problem area: Cannot remember how to write high frequency words

Strategy: Encourage students to use what they know about reading to help them with their writing. Remind them that if they can read a word, they can probably write it. Have them practice writing the words on the Practice Page of their writing notebooks three times. Then have them go back to their sentences and try to write the words from memory.

Problem area: Difficulty putting thoughts in writing

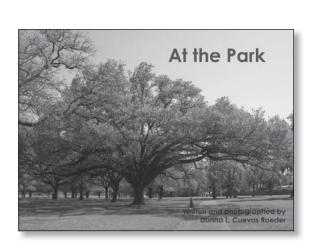
Strategy: Ask students to say what they want to write aloud. Encourage them to write any of the letters they hear in each word. Prompt students by asking *How do you think that word might start?* Then help them write the sentence. For example, if a student only hears the *c* in *cat*, have him or her write the letter. Complete the word for the student by writing *at*.

Home-School Connection

Send home the parent letter (page 190) and one or two of the familiar take-home books (not the book read during guided reading that day). The letter instructs parents on how to support their child's reading and writing and includes reading discussion questions. To reinforce fluency and automaticity, the student will read the book as the parent listens. The parent will then encourage the child to write a sentence or two about the story. The child should try to write independently, but the parent may help if needed.

24. At the Park

Intervention Level: **3** Guided Reading Level: **C** Word Count: **38**



Materials

- alphabet picture cards
- high frequency word cards: *at, eat, go, in, People, park, play, the*
- familiar books
- At the Park (one copy for each child)
- magnetic letters
- dry-erase boards and wipe-off markers
- writing notebooks (one for each child)
- reproducible pages 149-150

Concepts About Print (Evaluation)

Use the Concepts About Print checklist to record individual student responses.

1. Give the book to the student.

Say: Show me the front cover of the book. Show me the back cover of the book.

- 2. Ask the student to open the book to page 1. Say: Where do you begin to read? Where do you stop?
- 3. On page 1, point to the period. Say: *What is this called?*
- 4. On page 3, point to the capital letter in the word **People**. Say: *What is this called?*

For Individual Student Assessment

- Record of Oral Reading (page 142)
- Concepts About Print checklist (page 187)
- one copy of *Reflections*

Lesson 24

Review the letters and their sounds by using the alphabet picture cards. Ask students to say the name of the letter, the sound of the letter, and the name of the picture for each card.

Use the high frequency word cards to review the following words:

at eat go in People park play the

Familiar Reading

Have students read two or three of their familiar books while you administer the Record of Oral Reading for *Reflections* to one or more students.

Guided Reading

Prior Knowledge

Ask, What do people do at parks?

Introduction

Read the title and say: Let's open the book and find out what people like to do at the park. Look at the picture on page 2 and tell me what the boy is doing at the park. People like to read at the park. Look on page 4. People like to sit at the park. Look at the picture to help you with the meaning of the words in the sentences. The word **People** begins with the letter **P**. Look on page 3, point to the word **People**, and read it.

Explain to students that the pattern in the book is:

People _____ at the park.

Ask students to read page 1 to practice the pattern.

Reading

As students read the story, monitor them for these behaviors:

- reading for meaning
- maintaining sentence structure
- self-monitoring and self-correcting
- looking at the pictures for meaning
- attending to the beginning/ending of the word (initial/final letter)
- reading with fluency (letter by letter, word by word, or in phrases)

Lesson 24 (continued)

Word Work

If a student is having trouble reading a word, use magnetic letters to focus on the initial or final sound. Encourage the student to point to and read each word while moving his or her index finger from left to right.

Comprehension and Writing

Ask students to retell the story aloud. Then invite students to write one or two sentences on the Comprehension/Writing page of their writing notebooks about what they do at the park. Have them practice writing "unknown" words on the page titled "Practice Page." You may help students during this writing process when necessary. While students are writing, observe whether or not they are beginning each sentence with a capital letter, using spaces between words, using correct punctuation, and so on. Ask students to read the sentences that they wrote to reinforce the reading and writing process, which will improve reading fluency.

Extension Activities

- Ask students to spell "known" words like *here, is,* and *the* with magnetic letters and then read the words quickly. If possible, have the students go to the board to write the high frequency words or form them with the magnetic letters.
- Have students complete the reproducibles in class or as homework.
- If time permits, review the high frequency word cards from current and previous books.

Record of Oral Reading

At the Park

Word Count: **38** Intervention Level: **3** Guided Reading Level: **C**

Name: _____

Date: _____

E = errors S-C = self-correction M = meaning S = structure V = visual

| Page | Text | E | S-C | E MSV | SC MSV |
|------|--------------------------------|---|-----|----------|-----------|
| 1 | People read at the park. | | | | |
| 3 | People sit at the park. | | | | |
| 5 | People ride bikes at the park. | | | | |
| 7 | People go fishing at the park. | | | | |
| 9 | People play at the park. | | | | |
| 11 | People walk in the park. | | | | |
| 13 | People also eat at the park. | | | | |

Accuracy Rate: $\frac{38 - \text{Total Errors}}{38} \times 100 = \frac{\%}{38}$

 Self-correction Rate:
 (# of Errors) + (# of S-C)
 = 1:

 Total # of S-C
 = 1:

Independent Level (95–100%)

Instructional Level (90–94%)

Frustration Level (Below 90%)

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Write the Sentence

Write the words in each sentence on the lines.

1. People read.

2. People play.

3. People sit.











Match Up

Draw a line from each sentence to the correct picture.

1. People go fishing at the park.

2. People walk in the park.

3. People ride bikes at the park.

4. People eat at the park.











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