

**Directions**

Fluency Checks should be conducted at least one week *after* the completion of a unit.

Place the student copy of the passage in front of the student. Point to the passage and say **You are going to read this story out loud. If you come to a word you don't know, I will tell it to you. Keep reading until I tell you to stop. It's okay if you don't read the whole story. Just do your best reading.**

Set a timer for 1 minute. Start the timer when the student begins reading. When you are ready, point to the first word of the first paragraph and say **You will start here** (point). **Please begin reading when you're ready.**

If the student pauses for 3 seconds, give them the word, and mark it as an error. If the student reads no words correctly in the first line, discontinue the assessment.

Draw a slash (/) through each error the student makes.

When 1 minute is up, note the last word the student read with a bracket (]) or line (|).

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for the race.	29
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Duke tells Tate to run five laps at a fast pace. When	53
Tate is done, he takes a sip of his drink while Duke gives	66
him some tips. Next, Duke tells Tate to walk to the end	79
of the white line and then sprint back.	85
"My legs do not like those sprints," whines Tate. "Then	95
just jog in place," yells Duke. Tate jogs in place and	107
then sits on the grass.	111
"Here is some ice for your legs," says Duke. "Thanks,"	121
says Tate, "this race prep is no joke!" "We will get you in	134
shape one step at a time," says Duke with a smile.	145

**Scoring**

Calculate the total words correct by subtracting the errors from the total words read.

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