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 (]).

The Green Monster

Have you ever been told the tale of the Green	10	
Monster? It is tall and seems frightening. No, it's not a	21	
real monster. It's a wall! That's right, the Green Monster		
is a very tall green wall in Fenway Park. That's where the	43	
Red Sox play baseball. The Green Monster is one of the		
highest walls among all the baseball stadiums. It is thirty-	64	
seven feet high and three hundred and ten feet from	73	
home plate.	75	
The Green Monster is so high that it prevents a lot of	87	
home runs. You see, when a batter hits a line drive, the	99	
ball almost always hits the wall instead of sailing above		
it.	110	
Each team that plays against the Red Sox in Fenway	120	
Park is also playing against the Green Monster.		
If you take a trip to Boston, the home of the Red Sox,	141	
you might be able to see the Green Monster yourself. If	152	
you go to a game, you could even sit in the monster		
seats above the wall. What a sight that would be!	174	

Scoring

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

Total words read	Total errors	Total words correct

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The Green Monster is so high that it prevents a lot of home runs. You see, when a batter hits a line drive, the ball almost always hits the wall instead of sailing above it.

Each team that plays against the Red Sox in Fenway Park is also playing against the Green Monster.

If you take a trip to Boston, the home of the Red Sox, you might be able to see the Green Monster yourself. If you go to a game, you could even sit in the monster seats above the wall. What a sight that would be!