

Understanding the Development of Skilled Reading

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Objectives

- Deepen understanding of four models that describe skilled reading
- Apply reading theory to instructional practices that effectively support word reading development in early readers





Simple View of Reading

The Simple View of Reading shows that **reading comprehension** (RC) is not the sum of the two components, **language comprehension** (LC) and **word recognition** (WR), but rather the **product** of the two components. If either one is weak, reading comprehension is diminished.





A Closer Look: What is Scarborough's Reading Rope?





Adams Model of the Reading Process





Adams Model of the Reading Process: Skilled Reading

- 1. Orthographic Processor
- 2. Phonological Processor
- 3. Context Processor
- 4. Meaning Processor





Ehri's Phases of Word Recognition Development







Pre-alphabetic phase

- Visual cues (e.g., shape, logo)
- Semantic rather than phonological relationships
- Arbitrary rather than systematic connections





Partial Alphabetic Phase

- Emerging use of grapheme-phoneme connections (phonetic cue reading)
- Connections are incomplete

w = white

Child guesses after looking at first letter.

- More reliable than visual cue reading
- Provides no way to read novel words in print



This is a white dog.







Full Alphabetic Phase

- Words are accessed through phonological recoding
- Graphemes are converted into phonological representations
- More reliable than phonetic cue reading





b + l + a + ck = black



Consolidated Alphabetic Phase

- Multi-letter patterns are consolidated in memory
- Readers use chunks to decode, rather than individual phonemes
- Most mature form of reading

The new Dreamlifter is an enormous freighter.





Automatic Phase

- Highly developed strategies
- Accurate, automatic decoding of unfamiliar words
- Use of multiple strategies (decoding, structural, contextual)



Pre-Alphabetic Phase Partial Full Consolidated Automatic Phase Phase Phase Phase Phase Phase



Check for Understanding – Ehri's Phases of Word Recognition Development

- Match each student description to the appropriate phase.
 - Pre-Alphabetic Phase
 - Partial Alphabetic Phase
 - Full Alphabetic Phase
 - Consolidated Alphabetic Phase
 - Automatic Phase

Sofia loves to sit in her mom's lap and listen to books read aloud to her. She also likes books with labels underneath the pictures. She points to the pictures and says the name of the picture and "reads the word."



Pre-Alphabetic Phase



Putting It All Together

Simple View of Reading/ Scarborough's Reading Rope	Ehri's Phases of Word Recognition Development	Adams Model of the Reading Process
Word Recognition x Language Comprehension = Reading Comprehension	 Pre-Alphabetic Phase Partial Alphabetic Phase Full Alphabetic Phase Consolidated Alphabetic Phase Automatic Phase 	Context Processor My kite was flying in the wind. Weaning Processor Weind f n i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i



Why Don't We Use the Three-Cueing System for Word Reading?

- 1. Reading begins with orthographic input letters.
- 2. Orthographic input interacts with phonology.
- If you look for other information, you slow down the process and are less efficient in building your lexicon through orthographic mapping.





Instructional Implications

- 1. Direct students to decode words.
- 2. Use syntactic and semantic information to confirm decoding accuracy, crosscheck.
- Teach self-correction strategies explicitly.
- Use meaning and context to confirm, self-check and teach self-correction strategies.





























Prompts to Help Readers Focus on Graphophonemics

- What letter is at the beginning of this word? What sound does that letter make?
- Let's break this word into parts.
- Find the vowels in this long word. How many syllables are in this word?



Prompts to Help Readers Focus on Graphophonemics

- Let's say this word one sound at a time. (Point to the letters and have the student blend across the sounds.) Now read the sentence again. Does that make sense? (Notice the attention to meaning was after decoding.)
- This is a really tricky word. I'm going to show you on the white board how I would decode it.
- You said _____. If that word were _____, what would you expect to see at the beginning? Now look at the letters and try that word again.



Wrap Up

- Stop doing?
- Continue or refine?
- Start doing?





