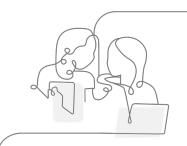
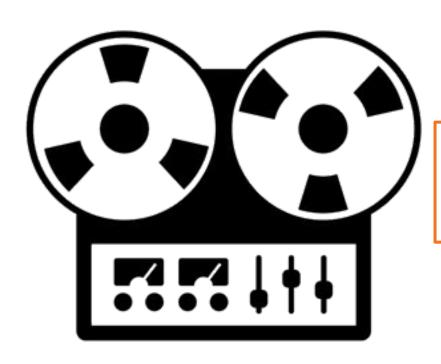
mCLASS® **TEXAS**

IDEL Booster Webinar

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Recording in progress



Recording will be posted to the Texas Onboarding Site.

https://amplify.com/mclass-tx-onboarding-site/

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Objectives

By the end of this session you will be able to...

- Navigate reports in mCLASS Home
- Create small instructional groups based on Benchmark data
- Access teacher resources
- Share caregiver resources
- Explain what is planned for the new version of IDEL

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Laser focused on literacy for two decades

2001



Since 2000 mCLASS® has served 15 million students



1,150 districts

63,000 teachers





1,300,000 students

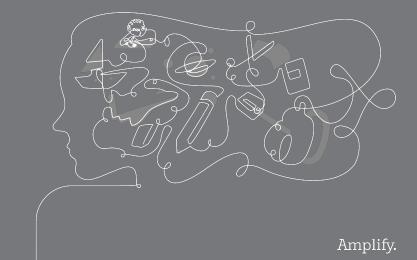
Science of Reading

ASSESSMENT SUPPLEMENTAL **Amplify** CKLA **Amplify** Reading mCLASS® · Universal and dyslexia screening · Blends deep background knowledge · Places the science of reading in the with proven foundational skills hands of students Observational assessments • Engages all students through · Prioritizes the instruction students · Gold-standard early literacy purposeful multimedia need through smart technology benchmarks • Streamlines planning so teachers can • Provides formative data to support focus on their students targeted instruction

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TEA-approved, free Alternative Reading Diagnostic Tool for Kindergarten, First, and Second grades as legislated by HB3.

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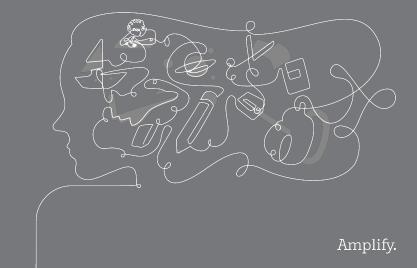
As you view the data cycle, note there are four stages within it:

- Stage 1: Collect data that measures student performance and/or mastery of objective(s)
- Stage 2: Analyze the results
- Stage 3: Interpret the data to inform instruction that supports student success
- Stage 4: Plan and Implement instruction that meets the needs of your students



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mCLASS TX Edition Components

"mCLASS TX English" Bundle	"mCLASS TX Espanol" Bundle	Modality
DIBELS 8th Edition	IDEL	Teacher-led observational
Oral Language Screener	Oral Language Espanol	Teacher-led observational
Phonological Awareness - Blending	Letter Sounds K-INICIO	Teacher-led observational
mCLASS Spelling	mCLASS Spelling Espanol	Student-led online
mCLASS Vocabulary	mCLASS Vocabulary Espanol	Student-led online

IDEL Indicadores Dinámicos del Éxito en la Lectura

A measurement tool designed to provide data that documents the growth of students as they acquire literacy skills.

IDEL measures at each grade level

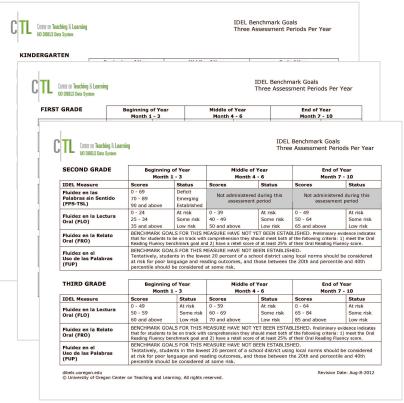
GRADE	FNL	FSF	FPS	FLO	FRO	FUP
K (BOY)	✓	~				~
K (MOY)	V	✓	V			V
K (EOY)	V	V	V			V
1 (BOY)	V	V	V			V
1 (MOY)		V	V	~	V	V
1 (EOY)		V	V	✓	V	V
2 (BOY)			V	✓	V	V
2 (MOY)				V	V	V
2 (EOY)				V	V	V

IDEL Benchmark goals

https://amplify.com/mclasspd/

mCLASS Texas Edition (Español)

- mCLASS Texas Participant Notebook
- Guided Practice Scripts and Answer Keys (D8)
- IDEL Practice Scripts
- IDEL Scoring Rules Summary Tables
- IDEL Prompts
- IDEL Benchmark Goals
- Online Course Sign Up
- Required Measures
- Turnkey Training Planner



IDEL Instructional Recommendation

Best overall estimate of the student's early literacy skills

	IDEL						
Kindergarten	воу	FNL	FSF >	FUP)			
Name	Instr. Rec.	Goal 6	Goal 15	Score			
Acosta, Andrea	•	5	7	0			
Bernal, Roberto		1	3	13			
Brown, Susan		2	3	7			
Collins, Darius		1	5	0			
Cortez, Diana	•	5	14	10			
DeLeon, Mario		4	15	12			
Estrada, Maria		21	16	22			
Flores, Daniel		6	16	12			

Additional measures at each grade level

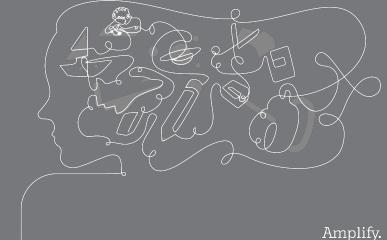
Measure	Grade K	Grade 1	Grade 2
FSL Letter Sounds K-Inicio	V	V	
Oral Language Español (Listening Comprehension)	V	V	V
Spelling Español	*	V	V
Vocabulary Español	V	V	V

^{*} MOY and EOY only

	Kindergarten			First Grade			Second Grade		
	BOY	MOY	EOY	BOY	MOY	EOY	BOY	MOY	EOY
Satisfying ERI (darker color)	DIBELS 8 or IDEL	DIBELS 8 or IDEL	DIBELS 8 or IDEL	DIBELS 8 or IDEL	DIBELS 8 or IDEL	DIBELS 8 or IDEL	DIBELS 8 or IDEL	DIBELS 8 or IDEL	DIBELS 8 or IDEL
Dyslexia Screening (darker color)			In addition to DIBELS/IDEL: -Spelling -Listening Comp (OL)		In addition to DIBELS/IDEL: -Spelling -Listening Comp (OL)		In addition to DIBELS/IDEL for select students administer: -Letter Naming Fluency (Use grade 1 EOY paper-pencil form) -Spelling -Listening Comp (OL)		
Additional optional measures that bring value	Inventory Measures: PA Blending or Letter Sounds (Spanish) -Vocabulary -Listening Comp (OL)	Inventory Measures: PA Blending or Letter Sounds (Spanish) -Spelling -Vocabulary -Listening Comp (OL)	Inventory Measures: PA Blending or Letter Sounds (Spanish) Vocabulary	Inventory Measures: PA Blending or Letter Sounds (Spanish) -Spelling -Vocabulary -Listening Comp (OL)	Inventory Measures: PA Blending or Letter Sounds (Spanish) Vocabulary	Inventory Measures: PA Blending or Letter Sounds (Spanish) -Spelling -Vocabulary -Listening Comp (OL)	Vocabulary	Vocabulary	Vocabulary

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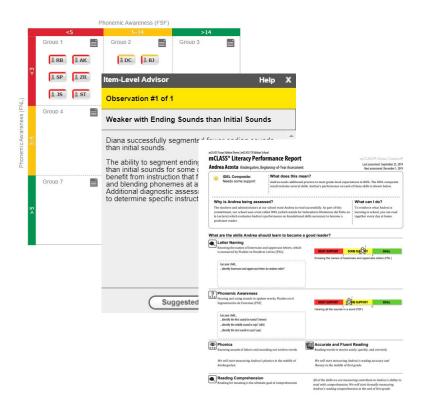


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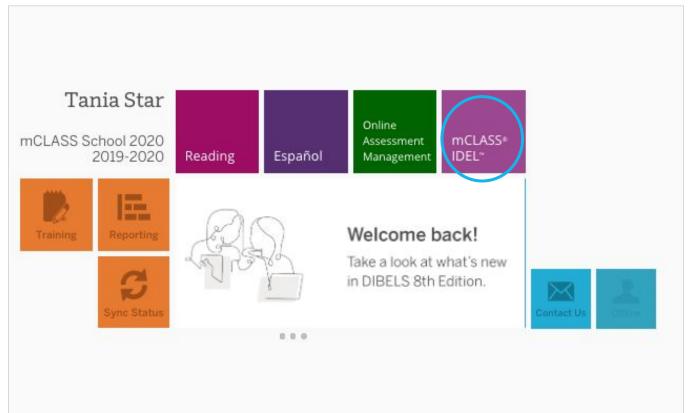
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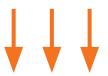
Now What? Tools

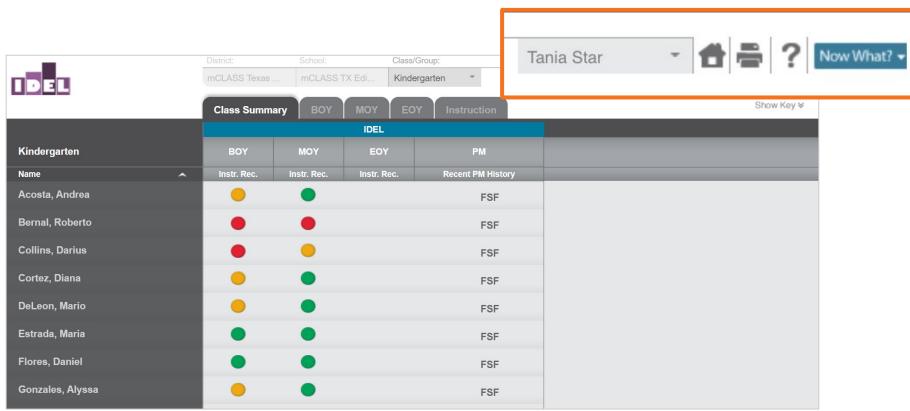


Reports for IDEL measures

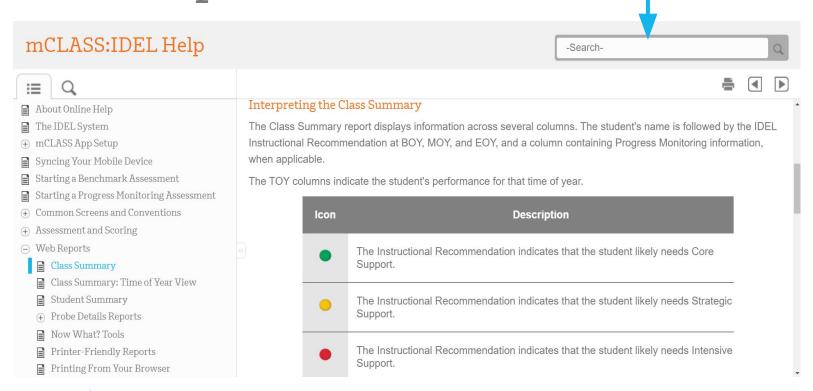


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Online help



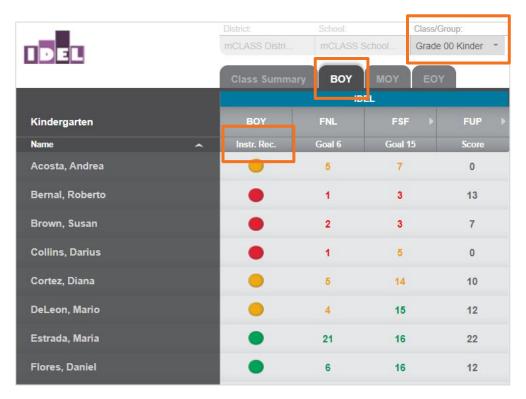
Let's take it live!



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Trainer demo

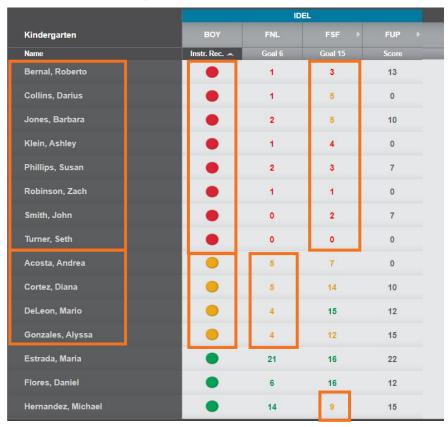
Class Summary BOY



- 1. Go to mCLASS.amplify.com.
- 2. Login with the username tstar1 and the password lonestar1.
- 3. Tap the mCLASS IDEL mCLASS® IDEL™
- 4. Select Grade 00 Kindergarten.
- 5. Tap the BOY tab.
- 6. Sort by Instr. Rec.
- 7. Record observations and next steps.

Observations and next steps

Class Summary BOY



Observations

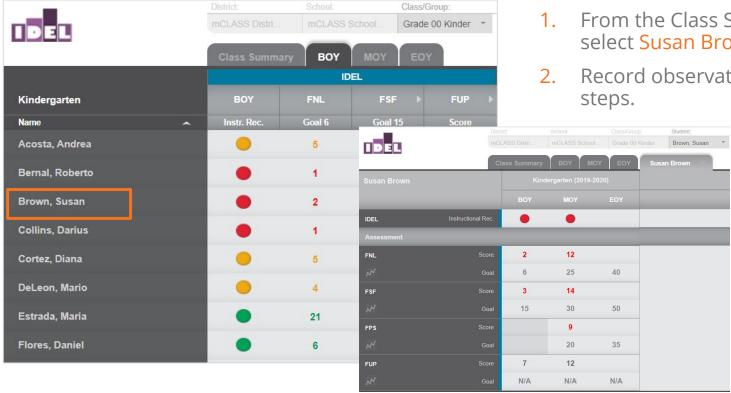
- 8 students are WBB overall
- 6 of the 8 are WBB in phonemic awareness
- 4 students are BB overall with similar scores for naming letters
- Michael is at Benchmark, but he needs support in phonemic awareness

Next Steps

- Pull the WBB students for phonemic awareness support
- Analyze BB students' probe details to understand needs

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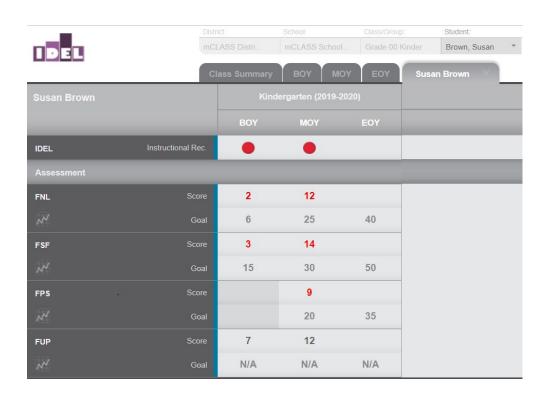
Benchmark Student Summary



- 1. From the Class Summary BOY select Susan Brown.
- Record observations and next

Observations and next steps

Benchmark Student Summary



Observation

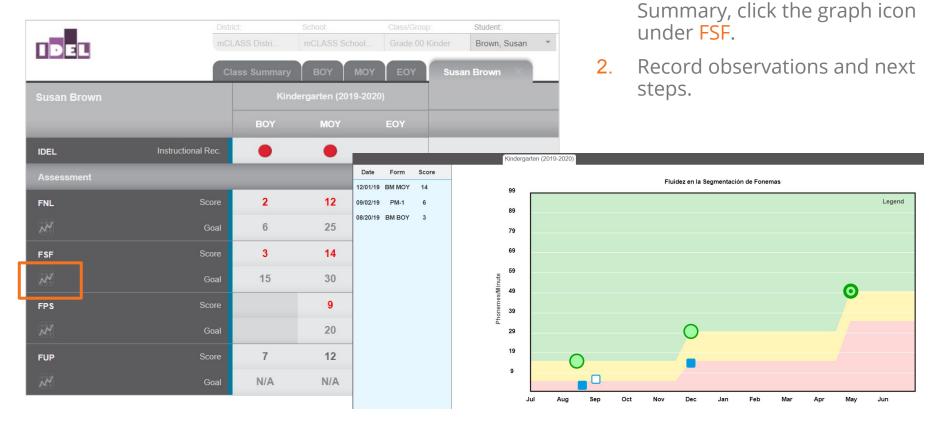
- Susan has improved in FNL and FSF but hasn't met the BM goal.
- She needs support in Phonemic Awareness (as measured by FSF) and Alphabetic Principle (as measured by FPS).

Next Steps

- Look at the probe details for Susan's MOY results.
- Give extra support in Phonemic Awareness and Alphabetic Principle.

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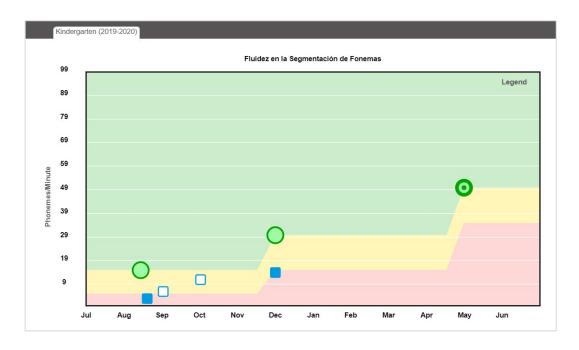
Progress Monitoring Graph



From the Benchmark Student

Observations and next steps

Progress Monitoring Student Summary



Observations

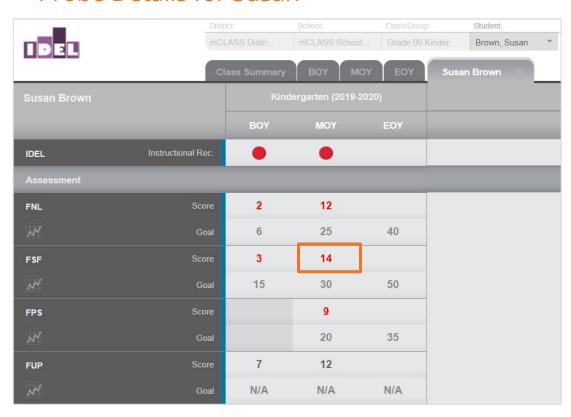
- Susan is not on track to meet the FSF goal for EOY.
- She is making progress, but it is not fast enough.

Next Steps

- Susan needs a change to her instruction.
- Analyze the probe details to understand her strengths and needs.

Trainer demo

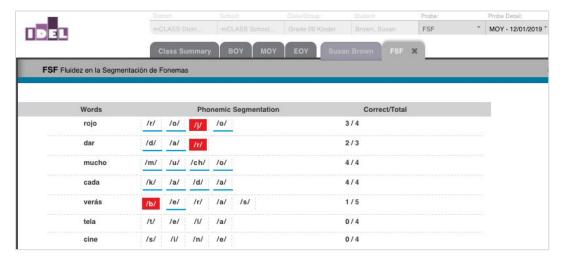
Probe Details for Susan



- 1. From the Benchmark Student Summary, click the FSF MOY score 14.
- 2. Record observations and next steps.

Observations and next steps

Probe Details for Susan Brown



Observations

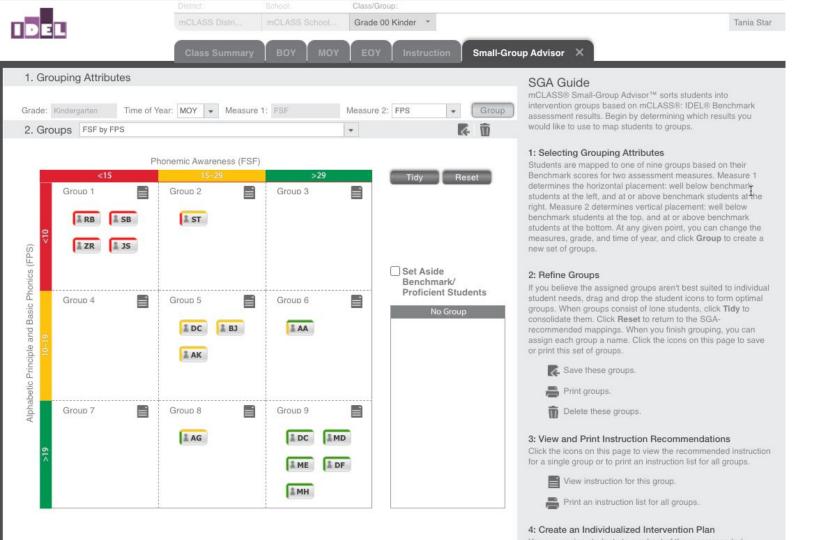
- Susan is responding very slowly (only attempted 5 words in 1 minute).
- She segmented two words completely and correctly.

Next Steps

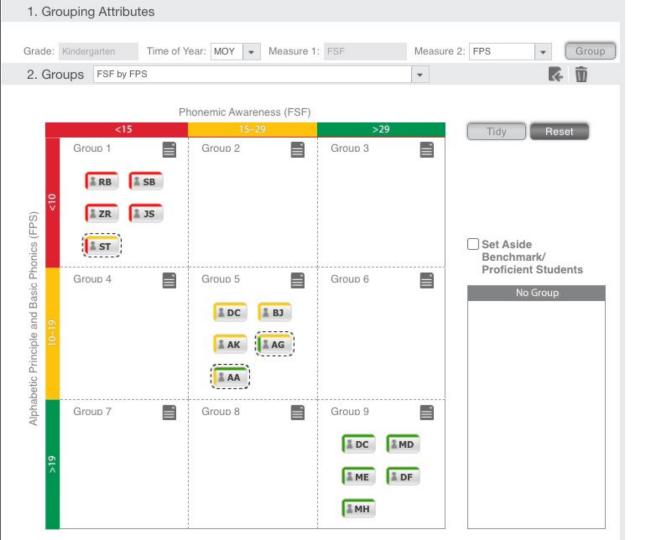
Build fluency with segmenting.

Agenda

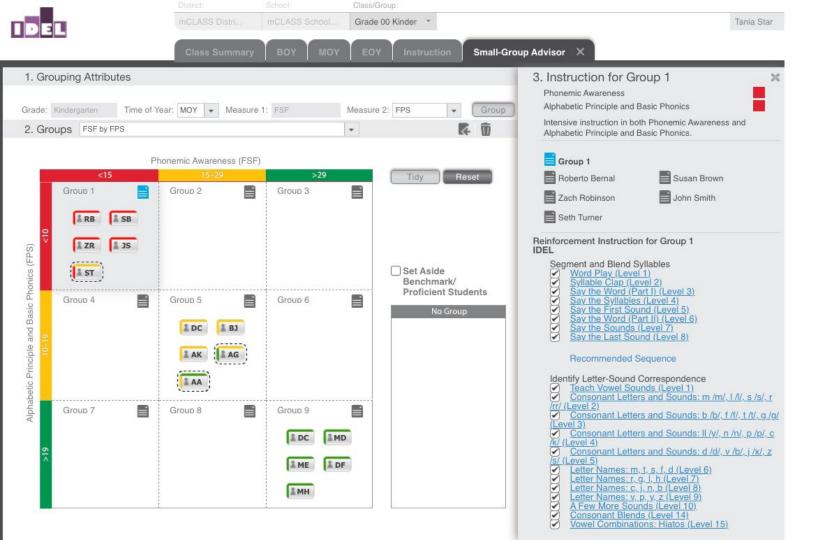
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Letras y sonidos consonantes: m, l, s, r (inicial)



Hoy día vamos a emparejar los sonidos de algunas consonantes con las letras correspondientes.

El propósito de esta actividad es que los estudiantes practiquen conectando las letras m, l, s, y la r inicial con los sonidos que representan. Asegúrese de que los estudiantes puedan emparejar cada letra con su sonido antes de que presente la letra siguiente.

Para empezar



Hoy vamos a hablar acerca de unas nuevas letras. La primera es la letra eme.

m

Indique la letra m. Pida a los estudiantes que tracen la letra con el dedo índice. Pregúnteles qué notan acerca de su forma.



Ésta es la letra eme. La letra eme representa el primer sonido que escuchan en las palabras *mucho, mesa* y *mono*.

Señale la letra otra vez. Alargue el sonido para enfatizarlo.

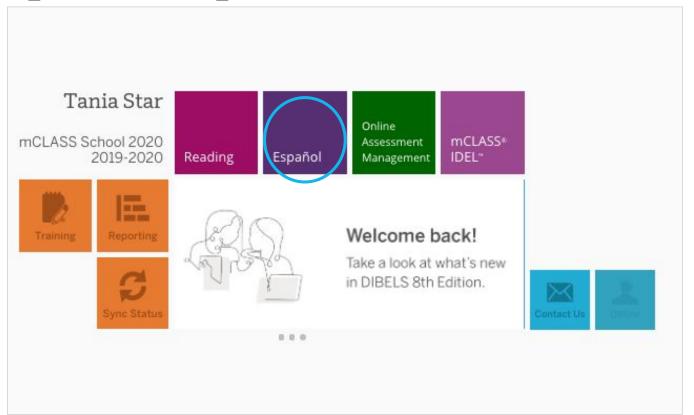


¿Qué letra es? ¿Cuál es el sonido? Cuando vean la letra eme, digan el sonido /mmm/.



Miremos otra letra.

Reports for Spanish measures

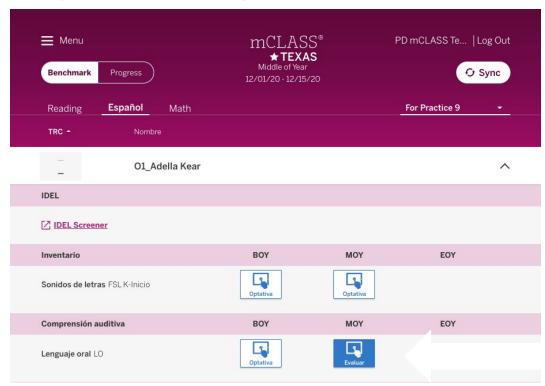


Class Summary

Middle of Year	Leng	Juale Oral Vocab	Ortografia
Grade 1	OL	VOCAB	SPELL
Last Name, First Name	Goal 12	Goal 18	Goal 44
Everett, Ida	17	18	44
	Benchmark	Benchmark	Below
Groud, Gracie	17	19	40
	Benchmark	Benchmark	Below
Kerr, Nina	9	7	30
	Below	Below	Below

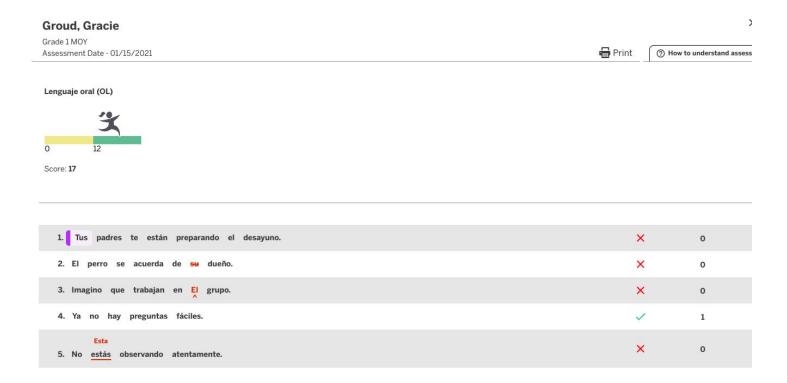
Lenguaje Oral - teacher administered

TX Dyslexia Screening



Lenguaje Oral - Grade 1

TX Dyslexia Screening



Lenguaje Oral - Benchmark cut points

Grade Level	BOY	MOY	EOY
Kindergarten	9	10	11
Grade 1	11	12	13
Grade 2	13	13	13

https://www.mclass.amplify.com/wgenhelp/mceols/index.htm?rscsh=1#t=Oral_Language%2FOral_Language.htm

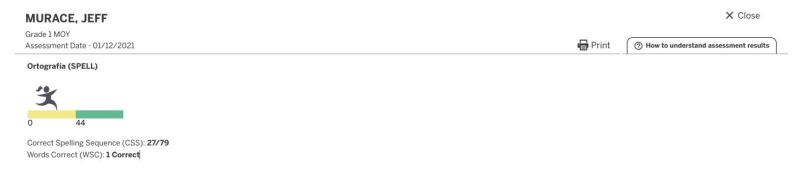
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Ortografia - Grade 1

Dyslexia Screening



Item	Response	Score (CSS)
poco	poco	5/5
amiga	meca ×	1/6
títulos	tios ×	3/8
ayer	llaeshn ×	0/5
cosas	cosa ×	4/6
corazón	conecoys ×	4/8

Ortografia- cut points

Grade	BOY	MOY	EOY
K	n/a	13	29
1	31	44	50
2	53	56	64

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Welcome to mCLASS® TX Edition!

We're happy to help Texas educators along your literacy journey in helping all of your students become confident young readers.

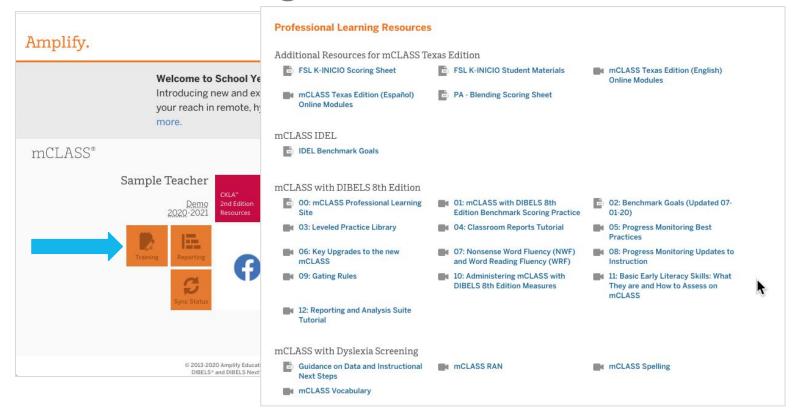








Online training resources



Online modules

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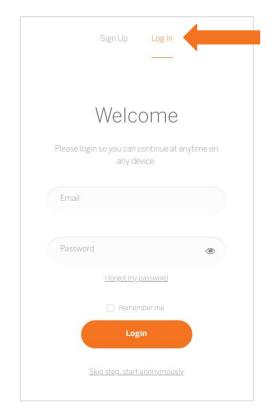
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Let's get started!

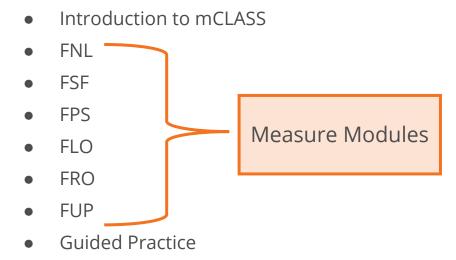
Sign up for the Spanish online course

- 1. Enter your email and password. (Use the same one as your first course.)
- 2. Click Login.
- 3. Bookmark the course welcome page.





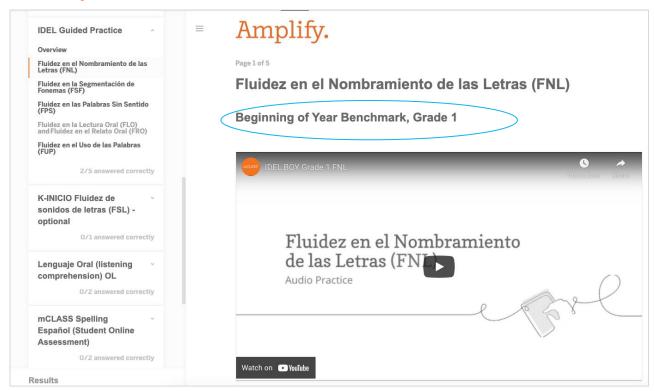
Spanish online course content



- K-1 Inventory FSL K-Inicio Letter Sounds
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- Wrap up

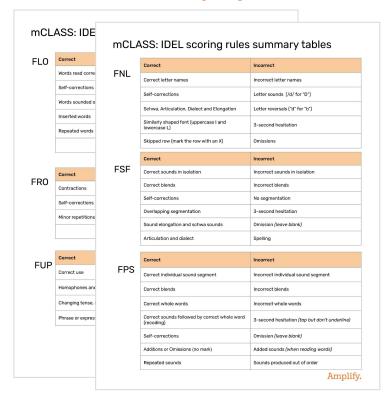
Guided practices in online course

BOY option



Scoring rules and prompts

Handouts on amplify.com/mclasspd



Amplify. **IDEL** prompts If a student... Then the assessor... How often? Fluidez en nombrar letras (FNL) Hesitates for 3 seconds on a letter Scores the letter as incorrect, provides the correct letter, points to the next letter. Marca incorrectamente y dígale la letra correcta. Señale la siguiente letra y diga "¿Qué letra es esta?" Says the letter sound rather than the Says, "Recuerda decirme el nombre de la letra, no el sonido." Only once letter name Fluidez en sonidos de las letras (FSF) Hesitates for 3 seconds on a sound Give the student the next word. If the student provides only the As needed initial sound, wait 3 seconds for elaboration. Fluidez en las palabras sin sentido (FPS) Hesitates for 3 seconds on a sound/word Scores the sound/word as incorrect, points to the next As needed sound/word and says "¿Qué sonido?" or "¿Qué palabra?" Fluidez en la Lectura Oral (FLO + FRP) Hesitates for 3 seconds on a word If the student hesitates or struggles with a word for 3 seconds, As needed tell the student the word and mark it as incorrect. If necessary. indicate to the student to continue with the next word. Fluidez en el Uso de las Palabras (FUP) Hesitates for 5 seconds on a word If the student does not begin to use the word after 5 seconds. As needed tap X|5 Secs, then give the student the next word.

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Introduction

mCLASS with DIBELS 8th Edition Scoring Practice

mCLASS:DIBELS Next Scoring Practice

TRC Scoring Practice

IDEL Scoring Practice

Introduction

Each of the links below launches a video of a student being assessed. Select the difficulty level you feel is appropriate for your current skill set. Using your device, score the student's responses, and check your results against the answer key at the end.

Bookmark this page so you can come back to it easily. Each video opens in a new window. You may wish to use headphones. For questions, contact Amplify Customer Services at (800) 823-1969, #3.

Leveled Practice Library

Progress monitoring forms

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FSF – Fluidez en la Segmentación de Fonemas

- Easy YouTube
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FPS - Fluidez en las Palabras sin Sentido

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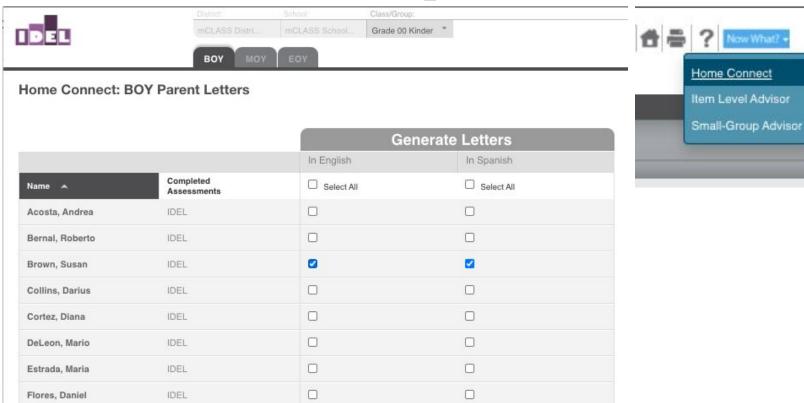
FLO - Fluidez en la Lectura Oral

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Home Connect letter - Spanish measures

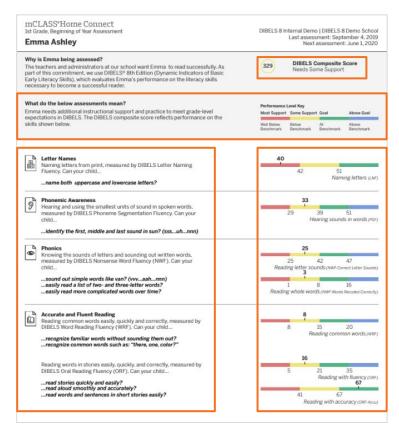


Home Connect letter

1. Scores

2. Explanation of performance levels

- 3. Description of each skill
- 4. At-home activities



Home Connect letter

4. At-home activities

Emma Ashley 1st Grade, Beginning of Year



Activities for Emma

Even if you have just a few minutes each day, you may be surprised by how much you can help Emma learn to read. Here are some activities we recommend based on Emma's most recent mCLASS reading test. Most of these activities can be done just about anywhere. Feel free to change them a bit to match Emma's interests or to fit your schedule.

Where Emma needs support



Phonemic Awareness
Hearing and using the st Hearing and using the smallest units of sound in spoken words

Find Specific Sounds

Have your child and other family members listen for words with a specific sound in family conversation or on television and radio programs, such as words that start with the s sound or that end with the k sound. Have your family members share their heard words and list them on a piece of paper.

Break the Words Apart

Help your child take spoken words apart and put them together. Have your child separate the sounds in simple three-letter words, listening for beginning, middle, and ending sounds. For example, pronounce mom as follows: mm-o-mm. Next, ask your child to blend sounds together to make a word. Say words one sound at a time; for example, you say sh-ee-p and your child says sheep.

Shopping for Sounds

As you and your child shop, have your child separate the sounds in the name of each item you put in your shopping basket, listening for beginning, middle, and ending sounds; for example, for a bag, your child would say b-a-g. Next, ask your child to blend sounds together to make a word. Say words one sound at a time; for example, you say m-i-l-k and your child says milk; you say c-a-n and your child says

We are working hard to ensure that Emma development is on target for success, and we thank you for your efforts at home. Together, we will help Emma become a successful reader.

For more activities, visit our Home Connect site: https://www.mclass.amplify.com/home

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mCLASS® Home Connect®



This site provides resources for families to practice and reinforce important literacy skills with their children who are being assessed with mCLASS reading assessments. For more information on how to navigate this site, click here,









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¡Bienvenidas familias de mCLASS®!

Bienvenido al centro mCLASS Caregiver. ¡Estamos aquí para apoyarlo a usted y a su hijo con todo lo relacionado con Amplify!

Click here to access this site in English.









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mCLASS Spanish R&D timeline

Some TX districts are participating

- 2021-2022: Release of mCLASS Spanish R&D
 - under continued study
 - partnering research schools will have access to data in mCLASS
- 2022-2023: Full release of mCLASS Spanish Assessment (name TBD)
 - dual language reporting and instruction
 - Data-driven grouping and instructional activities available
 - Conduct research for Progress Monitoring

Spanish R&D Measures

Spanish R&D Measure	Minutes	Online	KINICIO	K	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fluidez en Nombrar Letras (FNL; Letter Names)	1	Y	V	~	~					
Fluidez en los Sonidos de Letras (FSL; Letter Sounds)	1	Y	V	~	~					
Fluidez en los Sonidos de Sílabas (LSS; Syllable Sounds)	1	Y		~	V					
Fluidez en la Segmentación de Sílabas (FSS; Syllable Segmentation)	1	Y		~	~					
Fluidez en las Palabras (FEP; Real Word Fluency)	1	Y		~	~	~	~			
¿Qué queda? (QQ; Elision)	1	Y	V	~	~	~				
Fluidez en la lectura oral (FLO; Oral Reading Fluency)	1	Y			~	~	~	~	~	~
¿Qué Palabra Falta? (Comprensión Básica)	3	N			~	~	~	~	~	~

Spanish R&D: K-Inicio FNL & FSL

Measure	K-Inicio	Grade K	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4-6
Fluidez en Nombrar Letras (FNL; Letter Names)	V	V	V			
Fluidez en los Sonidos de Letras (FSL; Letter Sounds)	V	V	V			
Fluidez en los Sonidos de Sílabas (LSS; Syllable Sounds)		K-Inic	io : Inicio mear	ns "beginning"	or "start"	
Fluidez en la Segmentación de Sílabas (FSS; Syllable Segmentation)		•	Early develop information al			
¿Qué queda? (QQ; Elision)	~		below what is	· ·	mplete the	
Fluidez en las Palabras (FEP; Real Word Fluency)		•	Visual : Studer		item rather t	han
Fluidez en la Lectura Oral (FLO; Oral Reading Fluency)			producing the	correct verba	l response.	
Comprensión Básica (Maze; Basic Comprehension)			V	~	V	V

K-Inicio Alphabet Knowledge: FSL and FNL

FSL (Fluidez en los sonidos de letras) / Letter Sounds

Students are presented a set of 3 letters and asked to point to the letter that corresponds with the sound indicated by the administrator.

FNL (Fluidez en nombrar letras) / Letter Names

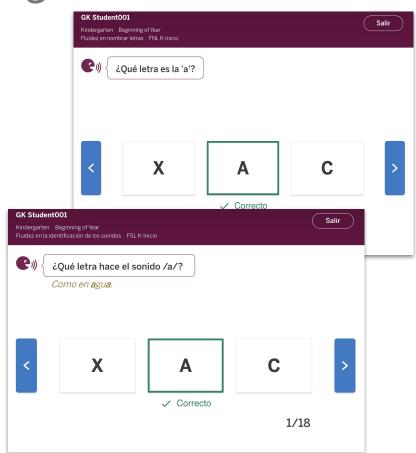
Students are presented a set of 3 letters on a page and asked to point to or say the letter indicated by the administrator.

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The K-Inicio subtests use uppercase letters; grade-level FSL and FNL subtests are mixed case.



Spanish R&D: Syllable-level Scoring

(Maze; Basic Comprehension)

Measure	K-Inicio	Grade K	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4-6		
Fluidez en Nombrar Letras (FNL; Letter Names)	V	V	V					
Fluidez en los Sonidos de Letras (FSL; Letter Sounds)	~	V	V					
Fluidez en los Sonidos de Sílabas (LSS; Syllable Sounds)		V	V					
Fluidez en la Segmentación de Sílabas (FSS; Syllable Segmentation)		V	V	V				
¿Qué queda? (QQ; Elision)	V	V	~	V				
Fluidez en las Palabras (FEP; Real Word Fluency)	Sylla	able-level sco	oring - Measu	res reflect the	importance o	of syllables in		
Fluidez en la Lectura Oral (FLO; Oral Reading Fluency)	Spai	Segment w	evelopment. Sords into sylla	ables (FSS).				
Comprensión Básica	 Identify or produce a target word that results from deletion (elision) of part of a word, such as a syllable or phoneme (QQ). 							

Syllable Level Scoring: Syllable Segmentation

FSS (Fluidez en la segmentación de sílabas) / Syllable Segmentation

- Students are presented a series of words orally and asked to verbally segment the word into syllables.
- Each distinct, correct syllable produced is scored as a point.
- Some syllables are individual phonemes.
- The number of syllables per word increases for higher grades.

Instrucciones: Dime las sílabas en _(palabra)_. (Tell me the syllables in _(word)_.)

Example: Metal /me//tal/



Syllable Level Scoring: ¿Qué Queda?



QQ (¿Qué queda?) / Elision

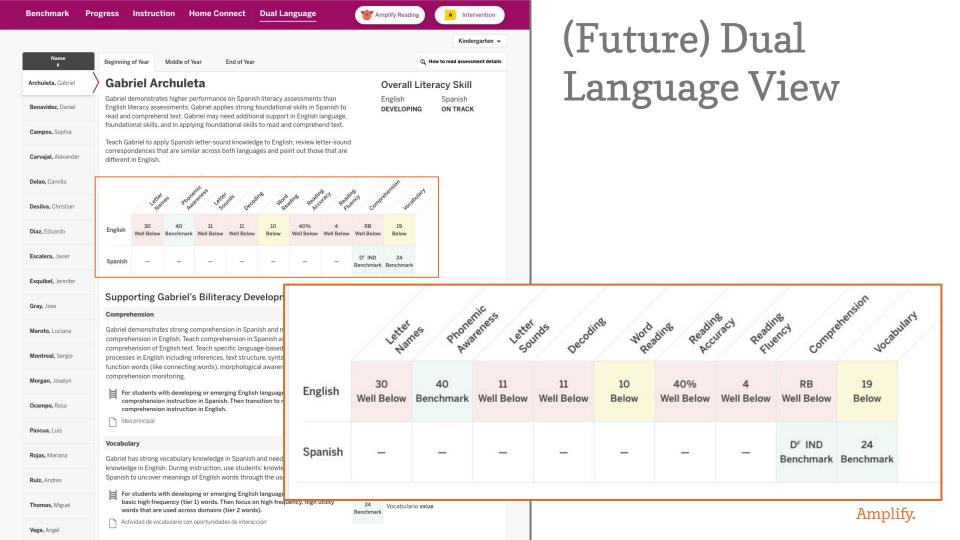
¿Qué queda? Means "What is left?" or "What remains?"

- Students are presented a word orally and asked to produce the word or part of the word that is left when a phoneme or syllable is removed from the beginning or ending of the word.
- The measure includes omission (**elision**) of words in compound words, syllables, and individual phonemes.

Instrucciones: Dime en voz alta lo que queda. (Tell me out loud what is left.)

Example: La palabra es "cualquiera." ¿Si quitas "quiera" de la palabra "cualquiera" que queda? (The word is "cualquiera". If you remove the "quiera" from the word "cualquiera", what is left?)

Correct response: "cual"

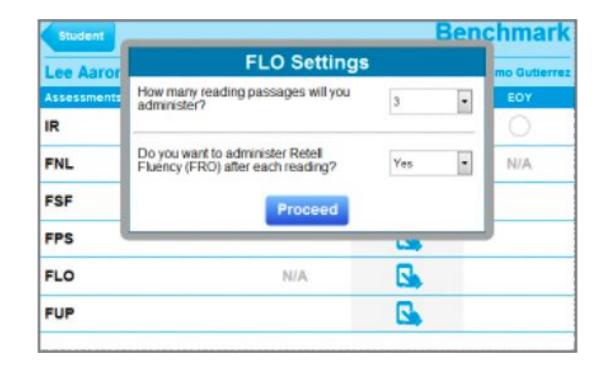


Agenda

- 1. What is mCLASS Texas Español?
- 2. Which measures are required?
- 3. How do I view my students' assessment results?
- 4. Will mCLASS recommend groups for instruction?
- 5. What resources are available for educators?
- 6. What resources are available for caregivers?
- 7. Coming soon
- 8. Q&A

FLO - 1 or 3 passages?

- 3; one passage each from the low, middle, and high difficulty range
- 1; a passage from the middle of the difficulty range
- For the most accurate results, select 3 passages.



Optional FRO

- no established national performance benchmarks.
- decision is typically made at a school or district level
- Even if districts do not require FRO, many teachers continue to use it because of the valuable data this measure offers about the students' understanding of what they read.



Measures required for Instructional Recommendation

(There are no gated measures with IDEL)

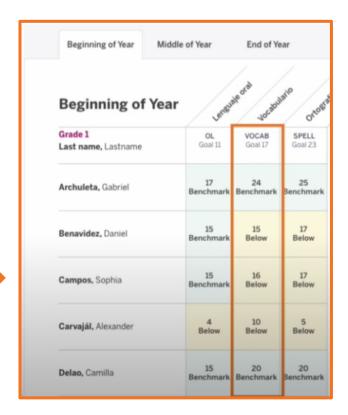
FRO and FUP are <u>not</u> required to get an instructional recommendation.

GRADE	FNL	FSF	FPS	FLO	FRO	FUP
K (BOY)	✓	✓				~
K (MOY)	✓	✓	✓			✓
K (EOY)	✓	✓	✓			✓
1 (BOY)	✓	✓	✓			✓
1 (MOY)		✓	✓	✓	v	✓
1 (EOY)		✓	✓	✓	v	✓
2 (BOY)			✓	✓	v	✓
2 (MOY)				✓	~	✓
2 (EOY)				✓	V	✓

Should we give FUP or Español Vocabulary?







"Why does IDEL have a phoneme measure (FSF) when Spanish is taught in syllables?"

Why have a phoneme measure when Spanish is taught in syllables?

(Response from Dr. Doris Baker, IDEL co-author)

Spanish is a phonetic language which means that every letter represents a sound, and the smallest unit of sound is the phoneme. This means that if students only learn in syllables, they will:

(a) not always be able to differentiate the individual sounds in syllables (this is particularly concerning for struggling readers) and

(b) they would have to learn 945 different types of syllables compared to learning 30 letter sounds (I include here the ch, rr, and II separately because they make a distinct sound that is different from the sounds each of the letters would make in isolation.)

This does not mean that syllables are not important in Spanish. It means that only teaching syllables doesn't help students understand and learn phonological awareness and the alphabetic principle at a deeper level.

Access a paper co-authored by Dr. Baker about teaching phonological awareness in Spanish here.





Questions



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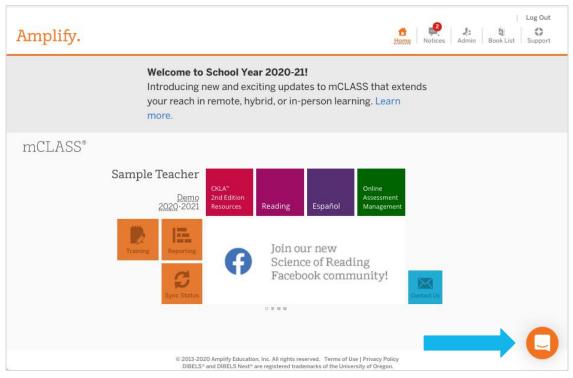
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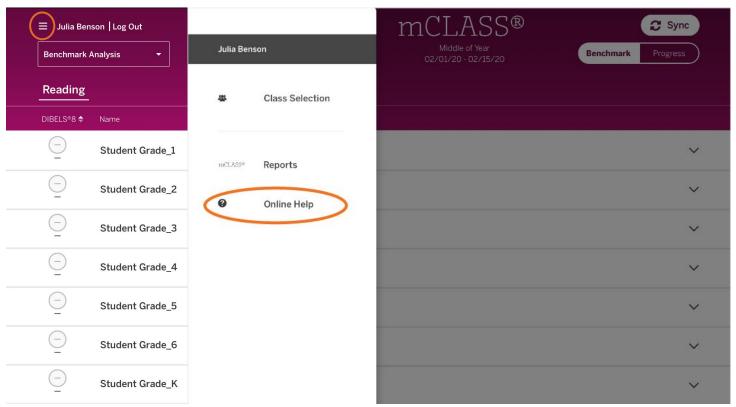
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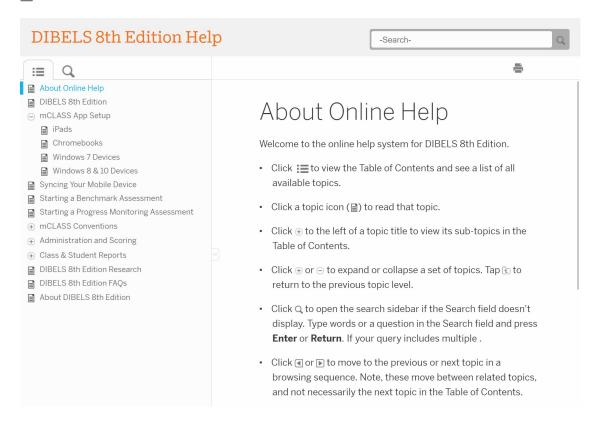
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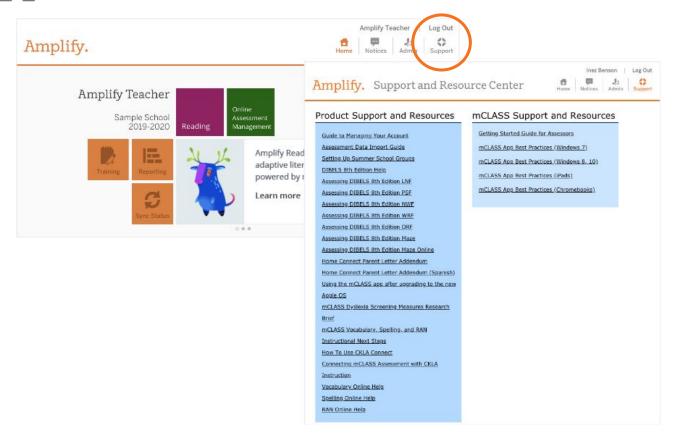


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