



Resource Guide

NONWORD REPETITION

What is Non-word Repetition?	Nonword Repetition is the ability to hear, retain, and repeat speech sounds that are sequenced in ways the student would not have heard before. These novel sequences of phonemes are referred to as nonwords. Repeating sequences that are unfamiliar to the student is complex, requires phonological processing, short-term memory, and speech sound production.
Articulating phonemes	A child must be able to listen to and articulate individual phonemes in English. Practice all 44 phonemes so that the child is familiar with sounds through listening and production. Practice until the child can produce each individual phoneme. Ex: /m/ sound for the letter m
Combining phonemes	Try having the child combine two phonemes in a fluent matter, especially with phonemes that are sequenced in ways the child would not have heard before. Sounds that are continuous and easier to repeat, such as the elongated sounds of /m/ or /l/ should be used first. Ex: /o/, /m/ as in om
Multiple phonemes	When children can repeat blended phonemes, move to one-syllable or two-syllable non-words that have multiple, non-continuous phonemes. Ex: dit or chotig
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Benchmark Milestones

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Benchmark milestones are specific goals that children are expected to achieve at certain stages of their early literacy development

BOY- Beginning of the Year; MOY- Middle of the Year; EOY- End of the Year

Kindergarten	BOY & MOY	1st-20th %tile: Can repeat limited or no one-syllable words Ex: wame 21st-40th %tile: Can repeat two-syllable words Ex: fahdoyk 41st-99th %tile: Can repeat three-syllable words Ex: lujitome
	EOY	1st-20th %tile: Can repeat limited or no one-and two-syllable words Ex: fahdoyk 21st-40th %tile: Can repeat three-syllable words Ex: lujitome 41st-99th %tile: Can repeat more three- and four-syllable words Ex: hayvenowyak
First Grade	BOY, MOY, & EOY	1st-20th %tile: Can repeat limited or no two-syllable words Ex: fahdoyk 21st-40th %tile: Can repeat some two-syllable words Ex: fahdoyk 41st-99th %tile: Can repeat three-syllable words Ex: lujitome
Second Grade	BOY, MOY, & EOY	1st-20th %tile: Can repeat limited or no two-syllable words Ex: fahdoyk 21st-40th %tile: Can repeat some three-syllable words Ex: lujitome 41st-99th %tile: Can repeat more three-and four-syllable words Ex: hayvenowyak