

ONE MINUTE READING TEST

Instructions to child

"Read the words for me across the page out loud. When you finish a line, go down to the next one. Read carefully but as quickly as you can. I'll stop you in a minute. Off you go."

Score

Number of words read correctly in one minute.

Norms

The norms, though of unknown provenance, are for English speaking children and offer "reading age" equivalents for reading speeds ranging from 2 to 0.5 seconds per word. These 158 words are all of one syllable and, not being connected in sentences, impose a strategy of one fixation per word. Though artificial, this provides a useful standard format for measurement purposes.

See, also, the norms appended for university students based on data collected by Michael Lock, consulting psychologist, and contributed by him to the Dyslexia Institute Psychologists e-group. They remain unpublished.

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<u>Score</u>		<u>Score</u>		<u>Score</u>	
31	6:6	61	8:7	91	10:11
32	6:7	62	8:7	92	11:0
33	6:9	63	8:8	93	11:1
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34	6:11	64	8:8	94	11:2
35	7:0	65	8:9	95	11:4
36	7:2	66	8:10	96	11:5
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37	7:4	67	8:10	97	11:6
38	7:5	68	8:11	98	11:7
39	7:6	69	8:11	99	11:8
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40	7:6	70	9:0	100	11:10
41	7:7	71	9:1	101	11:11
42	7:7	72	9:2	102	12:0
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43	7:8	73	9:4	103	12:1
44	7:8	74	9:5	104	12:2
45	7:9	75	9:6	105	12:3
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46	7:10	76	9:7	106	12:4
47	7:10	77	9:8	107	12:5
48	7:11	78	9:10	108	12:6
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49	7:11	79	9:11	109	12:7
50	8:0	80	10:1	110	12:8
51	8:1	81	10:1	111	12:8
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52	8:1	82	10:2	112	12:9
53	8:2	83	10:3	113	12:10
54	8:2	84	10:4	114	12:11
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55	8:3	85	10:5	115	13:0
56	8:4	86	10:6	116	13:2
57	8:4	87	10:7	117	13:4
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58	8:5	88	10:8	118	13:6
59	8:5	89	10:9	119	13:8
60	8:6	90	10:10	120	13:10

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is	me	on	at	by	so	us	7
an	it	or	be	to	as	he	14
of	in	go	up	am	if	no	21
we	my	ox	do	the	and	for	28
but	him	are	can	she	dog	let	35
you	not	was	out	try	see	mix	42
cat	now	boy	saw	bit	met	top	49
run	man	pet	lot	get	dig	van	56
bad	red	cup	bee	lit	pin	had	63
ran	pen	nut	big	old	yet	rob	70
gun	leg	fun	lip	new	fog	has	77
sit	sly	wig	mud	box	ink	sat	84
end	cut	pay	fed	who	six	lad	91
met	dry	cow	his	peg	tin	say	98
eat	any	far	set	bud	kid	pup	105
fox	ask	egg	cab	ill	use	jam	112
all	pit	got	sad	tea	sky	one	119
yes	fur	act	toe	her	own	ten	126
arm	rock	gone	feel	that	rich		132
till	long	flat	this	part	foot		138
maid	upon	came	mile	back			143
sand	time	said	then	wall			148
into	were	done	walk	much			153
loss	seen	went	with	come			158

Performance norms on the One Minute Reading Test¹ derived from 192 University referrals for dyslexia assessment age 18 – 29 (Mn 119.2 wpm, SD 28.5). Michael Lock, February 2001.

WPM	Percentile	WPM	Percentile	WPM	Percentile	WPM	Percentile	WPM	Percentile
200	99.7	164	95	128	62	92	16	56	1
199	99.7	163	93	127	62	91	16	55	1
198	99.7	162	93	126	58	90	16	54	1
197	99.7	161	93	125	58	89	14	53	1
196	99.7	160	92	124	58	88	14	52	0.8
195	99.7	159	92	123	54	87	14	51	0.8
194	99.5	158	92	122	54	86	12	50	0.8
193	99.5	157	90	121	54	85	12	49	0.6
192	99.5	156	90	120	50	84	12	48	0.6
191	99.4	155	90	119	50	83	10	47	0.6
190	99.4	154	88	118	50	82	10	46	0.5
189	99.2	153	88	117	46	81	10	45	0.5
188	99.2	152	88	116	46	80	8	44	0.5
187	99.2	151	86	115	46	79	8	43	0.4
186	99	150	86	114	42	78	8	42	0.4
185	99	149	84	113	42	77	7	41	0.4
184	99	148	84	112	38	76	7	40	0.3
183	99	147	84	111	38	75	5	39	0.3
182	99	146	82	110	38	74	5	38	0.3
181	99	145	82	109	34	73	5	37	0.2
180	98	144	82	108	34	72	4	36	0.2
179	98	143	79	107	34	71	4	35	0.1
178	98	142	79	106	31	70	4	34	0.1
177	98	141	79	105	31	69	4	33	0.1
176	98	140	76	104	31	68	4	32	0.1
175	98	139	76	103	27	67	4	31	0.1
174	97	138	76	102	27	66	3	30	0.1
173	97	137	73	101	27	65	3	29	0.07
172	97	136	73	100	24	64	3	28	0.07
171	96	135	73	99	24	63	2	27	0.07
170	96	134	69	98	24	62	2	26	0.05
169	96	133	69	97	21	61	2	25	0.05
168	96	132	66	96	21	60	2	24	0.05
167	96	131	66	95	21	59	2	23	0.03
166	95	130	66	94	18	58	2	22	0.03
165	95	129	62	93	18	57	1	21	0.03
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¹ Transvaal Education Department. *One Minute Reading Test*. Transvaal Education Department, South Africa, April 1987.

