

BATH COUNTY SCHOOLS

Behavior Observation – Reading

Student _____ Observer/Title Date _____

Directions: During the observation, place a check mark next to the behaviors that are observed from the list below. These checklists are not exhaustive, so please include notes regarding additional behaviors observed, including strengths and behaviors which may interfere with the student’s learning. In order to obtain a full and accurate picture of the student’s performance, it may be necessary to observe the student more than once in different settings/times of day.

Social Environment

Physical Environment

- Large Group One other person
- Small Group By self (no interaction)

- Classroom Playground Cafeteria
- At a table At a desk On the floor
- Gym other _____

Task/Activity which the teacher has defined for the student:

In the teacher/supervisor/caregiver’s judgment, was the student’s behavior/performance typical for the student? YES NO (please explain)

Observation based on student’s **Instructional Level** **Current Grade Level**

<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty with phonemic awareness tasks (e.g., rhyming, initial sounds, blending sounds, phoneme segmentation/deletion)	<input type="checkbox"/> Does not use adequate expression while reading orally; does not use pitch, stress and intonation to convey meaning of the text
<input type="checkbox"/> Rereads a line or skips a line while reading orally	<input type="checkbox"/> Displays inhibiting factors, such as finger-pointing and head movements, while reading orally
<input type="checkbox"/> Does not observe punctuation marks, such as periods and commas, while reading only	<input type="checkbox"/> Cannot read phrases, thought units, or groups of words; reads in a word-by-word, choppy manner
<input type="checkbox"/> Frequently loses place while reading orally	<input type="checkbox"/> Omits or inserts words
<input type="checkbox"/> Repeats words and phrases in the process of sounding out words	<input type="checkbox"/> Guesses at unfamiliar words rather than using word analysis skills
<input type="checkbox"/> Reads at a slow rate compared to peers	<input type="checkbox"/> Confuses similar-looking words (i.e., beard, bread)
<input type="checkbox"/> Avoids reading or reads reluctantly	<input type="checkbox"/> Reverses letters or words
<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty reading grade level sight words	<input type="checkbox"/> Does not self-correct while reading orally
<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty with retention of new vocabulary	<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty retelling what has been read
<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty demonstrating literal comprehension of sentences/stories	<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty reading irregular sight words (words that do not follow conventional rules)
<input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty demonstrating inferential comprehension of sentences/stories	<input type="checkbox"/> Does not ask questions about a text before, during and after reading—and look for answers
<input type="checkbox"/> Does not recall/retell to include expository text elements when asked (description, collection, causation, problem/solution, comparison)	<input type="checkbox"/> Does not recall/retell to include story elements when asked (main characters, time and place, problem plot details in sequence, turning point, resolution)
<input type="checkbox"/> Is unable to use prediction when reading	<input type="checkbox"/> Does not preview text to determine prior knowledge
<input type="checkbox"/> Is unable to make inferences when reading	<input type="checkbox"/> Does not summarize text when asked, including main ideas or basic plot elements



Describe Observed behavior (**REQUIRED**): Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Attach student work sample:

