













HANDOUT #8

Name : _____

Date : _____

Learning How to Improve My Oral Reading Fluency

Rating	Expression & Volume	Rating	Phrasing & Intonation	Rating	Smoothness & Pace
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading sounds like “talking” throughout the passage • I read with good expression reflecting the mood most of the time • The volume of my reading appropriately matches the text 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading sounds even • I read with consistently longer, meaningful phrases • I pay attention to the impact/use of punctuation and pause appropriately throughout the passage 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I read smoothly and self-correct quickly if needed • I consistently read at a conversational pace and appropriate rate
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading sounds like “talking” in most areas • My reading expression reflects the mood of the passage some of the time • The volume of my voice is usually appropriate 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading sounds only a bit choppy in places • I usually read with longer, more meaningful phrases • I am starting to pay more attention to punctuation and appropriate pauses 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I have occasional difficulties with inappropriate pauses, specific words, or punctuation • I read with an uneven mixture of speeds
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading sounds like “talking” in some areas • My reading focus is more on pronouncing the words, rather than on expression • My reading voice is too quiet in some places 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading sounds choppy in places • I read in 2 & 3 word phrases • I only pay attention to punctuation sometimes, therefore I only pause properly part of the time 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading has several “rough spots” (extended pauses or hesitations that are frequent and disruptive) • I read either too quickly or too slowly and continue to have some difficulty
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading sounds “robotic” • My reading has no expression • My reading voice is too quiet 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading sounds choppy throughout the passage • I read word-by-word • I do not pay attention to punctuation, therefore I take pauses in the wrong places 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My reading has frequent “rough spots”: (long pauses, hesitations, false starts and stops, sound outs, repetitions and/or multiple attempts) • I read slowly and with difficulty

My “bite-sized” goal: _____