

Captain Fluency

wants YOU

to be a Fluency
Friend!

- Be Accurate
- Use Expression
- Read at a Talking Rate
- Be Smooth
- Speak Up



Kid Accuracy



How to choose a JUST RIGHT book:

- Read any page* of the book.
- Hold up a finger for every word you don't know.
- When you finish the page, count the fingers you're holding up.

Too Easy: 0 – 1 fingers
Just Right: 2 – 3 fingers
Too Hard: 4 – 5 fingers

*about 50 words

The Expression Trio

reminds you to



Adjust Your Pitch

- Use interesting voices for characters
- Make your voice rise at the end of questions
- Make your voice fall at the end of sentences with periods
- Sound excited or surprised when you see exclamation marks

Stress Important Words

Make the emphasis

- Louder
- Longer
- Clearer
- A bit more high-pitched

Pause

- At commas
- At the end of sentences
- Between or within words to pronounce them clearly

Rate Man!



- Record your reading and compare it to how fast you talk.
- Adjust your reading speed to go slower when the text is difficult or unfamiliar.
- Re-read passages, increasing the speed as you become comfortable with the text.

Smooth

Group words in phrases

- Commas signal you to pause, or take a breath
- Phrases that begin with prepositions should be read as a unit
- Group words in a clause together



Lady Volume

- Project your voice when reading out loud.
- Make sure everyone in the room can hear what's being said.
(You sound louder to yourself than to others.)