



Comprehension Assessment Sequence

KEY: F ~ Fiction Skills NF ~ Nonfiction Skills **Bold ~ suggested 1st time assessment**

Grade Level	Typically Assessed at the Start of Year	Typically Assessed at the Middle of Year	Typically Assessed at the End of Year
Kindergarten	N/A	Basic Signal Words	Basic Signal Word F~Story Elements (Retelling) F~Questioning
1 st Grade	Basic Signal Words F~Story Elements (Retelling) F~Questioning	Basic Signal Words NF~Text Features F~Story Elements (Retelling) F~Questioning	Basic Signal Words NF~Text Features F~Story Elements (Retelling) F~Questioning NF~Retelling F~Main Idea NF~Questioning
2 nd Grade	Basic Signal Words NF~Retelling F~Story Elements (Retelling) F~Questioning NF~Questioning F~Main Idea NF~Text Features F~Important Details NF~Main Idea	Basic Signal Words NF~Retelling F~Story Elements (Retelling) F~Questioning NF~Questioning F~Main Idea NF~Text Features F~Important Details NF~Main Idea F~Summarizing	F Basic Signal Words NF~Retelling F~Story Elements (Retelling) F~Questioning NF~Questioning F~Main Idea NF~Text Features F~Important Details NF~Main Idea F~Summarizing (All skills Primary Assess.)
Administer the next level of DER Comprehension Assessments to students scoring at the 3rd grade level in Fluency			
3 rd Grade	NF~Text Features NF~Main Idea NF~Important Details NF~Questioning (Confirm student understanding of Basic Signal Words)	NF~Text Features F~Predicting NF~Main Idea F~Story Elements NF~Important Details F~Making Inference NF~Questioning F~Questioning NF~QAR	NF~Text Features NF~Summarizing NF~Main Idea F~Predicting NF~Important Details F~Story Elements NF~Questioning F~Making Inference NF~QAR F~Questioning
4 th Grade*	NF~Text Features NF~Summarizing NF~Main Idea F~Predicting NF~Important Details F~Story Elements NF~Questioning F~Making Inference NF~QAR F~Questioning	NF~Text Features NF~Summarizing NF~Main Idea F~Predicting NF~Important Details F~Story Elements NF~Questioning F~Making Inference NF~QAR F~Questioning	NF~Text Features NF~Summarizing NF~Main Idea F~Predicting NF~Important Details F~Story Elements NF~Questioning F~Making Inference NF~QAR F~Questioning
5 th Grade*	NF~Text Features NF~Summarizing NF~Main Idea F~Predicting NF~Important Details F~Story Elements NF~Questioning F~Making Inference NF~QAR F~Questioning	NF~Text Features NF~Summarizing NF~Main Idea F~Predicting NF~Important Details F~Story Elements NF~Questioning F~Making Inference NF~QAR F~Questioning	NF~Text Features NF~Summarizing NF~Main Idea F~Predicting NF~Important Details F~Story Elements NF~Questioning F~Making Inference NF~QAR F~Questioning

*During 4th and 5th grade, administer the assessment of skills not previously mastered on the 3rd grade assessment. Re-assess student after systematic and explicit instruction of the comprehension skill and repeated evidence of application of the skill to text, generally in the fall, winter and spring.