## READING COMPREHENSION DEMO DAY TIPS



## Introduction

Say: Our bodies and brains both need to exercise to be strong and in shape. We must exercise in order to see the difference, and we must work hard. This will help us to listen better and to do better work in school. We will exercise our brains with Fast ForWord.

Let's talk about our rules for Fast ForWord time:

- 1. We need a quiet environment.
- 2. We must respect our peers and our equipment.
- 3. Only take breaks between exercises.
- 4. Raise your hand if you need help or have a question.

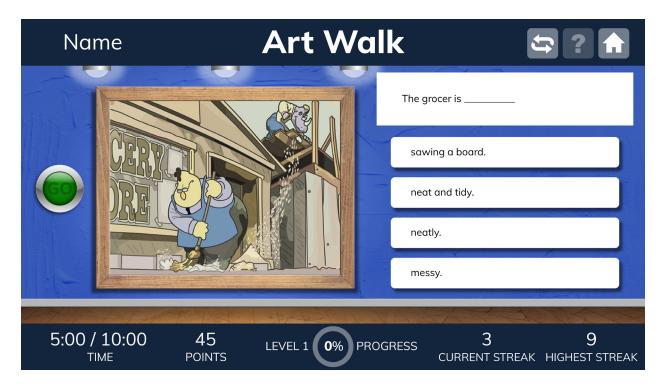
Most important, accuracy—getting answers correct—is the key to progressing quickly. Listen carefully and think before answering. Listening and focus are very important. Wrong guesses count against you. Always aim for getting as many correct responses in a row for the quickest progress toward completion.

Now, let's learn how to do our Fast ForWord exercises so that you understand the goal of each exercise and how each exercise works.



### **Art Walk**

Goal/Task: Develop reading comprehension skills by manipulating grammatical forms and structures to construct sentences about visual information.



#### **Demo Art Walk**

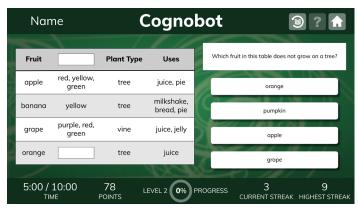
- 1. Say: Today, we're going to practice building sentences that describe pictures. Together, we'll work on an exercise called Art Walk. I'll get us started, then I'd like for you to try.
- 2. Project the "Introduction English or Spanish demo" for Art Walk.
- 3. Follow along with the demo, which explains how the exercise works.
  - Describe the details you see in the pictures.
  - Explain which one is the best match and how you ruled out the other options.
  - Choose an answer.
    - Correct answer: a "ding" sound effect plays, the answer is highlighted, and the answer appears in the sentence.
    - Incorrect answer: a "thunk" sound effect plays, the correct answer appears in the sentence, and the incorrect answer is dimmed.
- 4. Demo the keyboard shortcuts:
  - Go button = Space bar
  - Possible answers (top to bottom) = Number keys 1-4



# Cognobot

Goal/Task: Develop reading comprehension skills by answering literal, cause-and-effect, relationship, and inferential questions about fiction and nonfiction texts, schedules, instructions, and tables.





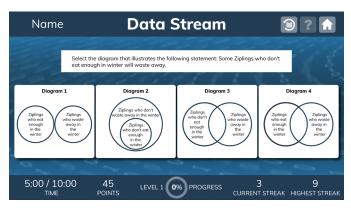
### **Demo Cognobot**

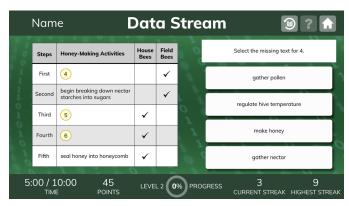
- 1. Say: Today, we're going to practice reading passages, tables, and schedules, then answering questions about them. Together, we'll work on an exercise called Cognobot. I'll get us started, and then I'd like for you to try.
- 2. Project the "Introduction English or Spanish demo" for Cognobot.
- B. Follow along with the demo, which explains how the exercise works.
  - When looking at a table or schedule, describe the details you see.
  - Explain which answer is the best match and how you ruled out other options.
  - Choose an answer.
    - Correct answer: a "ding" sound effect plays and the answer is highlighted.
    - Incorrect answer: a "thunk" sound effect plays and the incorrect answer is dimmed.
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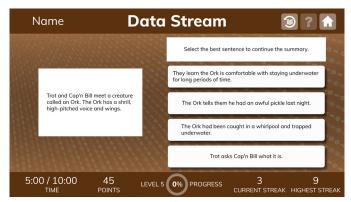
## **Data Stream**

Goal/Task: Develop reading comprehension strategies by answering questions about fiction and nonfiction texts, and working with graphic organizers and summaries.









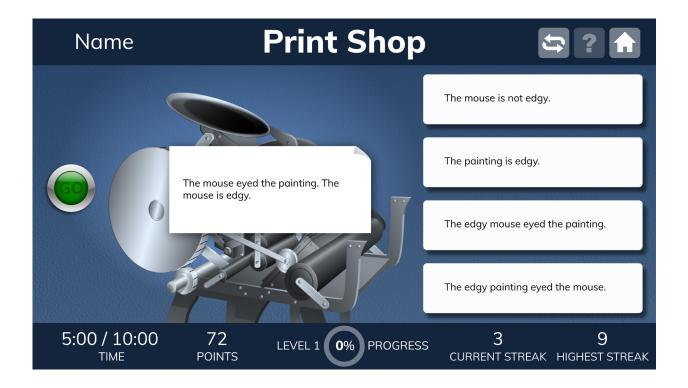
#### **Demo Data Stream**

- 1. Say: Today, we're going to practice using comprehension strategies to manage the information we read. Comprehension strategies help us organize information so that we can understand and use it better. First, we'll read a passage and answer a few questions about it. Then, we'll analyze and organize the information into a table, chart, diagram, or summary, and use it to answer more questions. Together, we'll work on an exercise called Data Stream. I'll get us started, and then I'd like for you to try.
- 2. Project the "Introduction English or Spanish demo" for Data Stream.
- 3. Follow along with the demo, which explains how the exercise works.
  - When looking at a graphic organizer, describe the details you see.
  - Explain which answer is the best match and how you ruled out the other options.
  - Choose an answer.
    - Correct answer: a "ding" sound effect plays, the answer is highlighted, and the answer appears in the graphic organizer when applicable.
    - Incorrect answer: a "thunk" sound plays and the incorrect answers are dimmed.
- 4. Demo the keyboard shortcuts:
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# **Demo Print Shop**

Goal/Task: Develop reading comprehension skills by selecting the correct paraphrase of a narrative text.



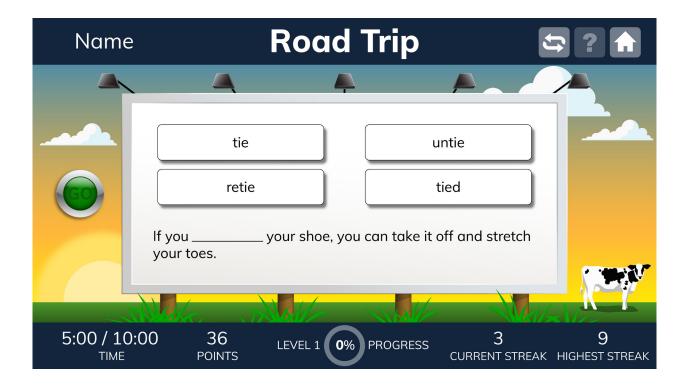
#### **Demo Mission Control**

- 1. Say: Today, we're going to practice *paraphrasing*. Paraphrasing means to say the same thing in a different way. First we'll read some messages, then we'll choose the paraphrase that includes all of the same information in it. Together, we'll work on an exercise called Print Shop. I'll get us started, and then I'd like for you to try.
- 2. Project the "Introduction English or Spanish demo" for Print Shop.
- 3. Follow along with the demo, which explains how the exercise works.
  - Explain which answer is the best match and how you ruled out the other options.
  - Choose an answer.
    - Correct answer: a "ding" sound effect plays and the answer is highlighted.
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# **Road Trip**

Goal/Task: Develop reading comprehension skills by selecting the right word to complete a sentence.



### **Demo Road Trip**

- 1. Say: Today, we're going to practice completing sentences by choosing the best word to fill in the blank. Together, we'll work on an exercise called Road Trip. I'll get us started, and then I'd like for you to try.
- 2. Project the "Introduction English or Spanish demo" for Road Trip.
- 3. Follow along with the demo, which explains how the exercise works.
  - Explain which answer is the best match and how you ruled out the other options.
  - Choose an answer.
    - Correct answer: a "ding" sound effect plays, the answer is highlighted, and the answer appears in the sentence
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