# THE IMPORTANCE **OF FLUENCY**



Fluency separates novice and expert readers from each other as pace is key in the ability to easily read different texts.



Fluency can evaluate how fast an

### WHAT IS FLUENCY?

The way words "flow" and how "fast" they can be said. Fluency is important to learning words while being able to understand them in the context of the text.

# FLUENCY'S RELATIONSHIP TO COMPREHENSION

Working memory: also known as "short-term memory", when words are being said and you don't have enough time to fully comprehend the word.

Domain knowledge: fluency is increased through this as it enables an individual to make faster connections between information they are currently learning with information that have learned before.

FLUENCY AND COMPREHENSION CAN BE PRACTICED THROUGH METHODS SUCH AS CHUNKING AND DECODING

## Decoding Quickly



The ability to sound out a word correctly and quickly means an individual has mastered the ability to decode a word. Once able to do this children will be able to practice reading printed words quicker and comprehend the meanings.

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