



Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills
8th Edition

Maze Benchmark

Grade 5

Student Materials

Name: _____

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Practice Passage

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The iPhone

Over ten years ago now, the Apple Corporation launched the iPhone. People lined

up around the block **at** Apple stores all over the United States **as** on the day it went **when** with

on sale. **Landlines** Somewhere between one quarter and three quarters **are** of a million phones **Villages** what

were sold on **behind** the first weekend. Later that year, **old** one iPhone began to sell in **just** very **the**

Europe, **and** never over the next seven years, it **backwards** gradually became available in almost **round** hopefully

every country **all** in the world. Now, about one billion iPhones **have** made been sold. **like** would

The iPhone was not **as** my first smart phone. But it was **also** at first to combine a **the** the

phone, a **media** only player, and a computer for using **but** full internet all in one. Also, it **hit** ran **was** tennis

a touchscreen phone. Previous smart phones **gave** had used a hard keyboard. People loved **were**

no so iPhone for the way it worked **and** ever for the way it looked. **the** which

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With each new version, Apple has improved its attitude and it has changed
lost sort country machine
the way to live. The first iPhone had a camera, but it was primitive compared to
it to we forest kitten
if we are used to now. There had no video, no GPS, and no air
once what sat was next voice command.

All these became available later.

If The iPhone led to massive growth in both last the technology industry. Youtube,
With are
Facebook, and Google not have the power they now give without it. The
have

labor
iPhone changed the music way people in all fields work.

But bad tool is only good or only great hard. People now bring work wherever they
go mix sing, because their work is on their phones songs toes. This ability to work from anywhere
cause create may enable creativity and flexibility, but it also later nor means that many people never get

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any early green real free time. How often have you been at the beach, or in a restaurant, or she well in so too a

and here since in a public park, seen people using their smartphones rather like now than just swimming,

buying enjoying their food, or flying up at the sky? gazing

few sort the Because of iPhone, people can now document and push share their own lives color

life that yet on a scale, has never been seen before. They can drive have post family pictures on

animals opinions presents Instagram, political on Twitter, and life anecdotes on Facebook. But Even If there

behind else online is now so much information, that it is hard to process mentally and emotionally. boringly tastily

he so they Some people say that, now spend more time texting and Skyping on with their

face leg place friends than they do meeting, to face.

offered played texted These days the technology, by the first iPhone is used in made so phones

Keep going 

made by lots of other companies documents pictures All the same, most people still to the iPhone

for the most exciting mental political new features. One thing we might call move see someday soon is a

screen that can is not bend. Another might be a battery kind once that can be charged by the sun an in or

by motion. Some people even predict future phones walls that can project holograms. It is dark even hard

to know what the future will bring close visit After all, until a little over ten years ago, the iPhone

itself was but a dream.



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New Slang

People have used slang to sound cool for longer than “cool” was cool. Slang is

vocabulary that is very **informal** and often used by people who **belong** to a clique. **organic** **measure** **shapeless** **travel**

A clique is **a** small in-group of people who share **a** special style or set of ideas **both** **or** **if** **up**

and often use a specific vocabulary to **build** to each other. But even if **so** **she** **hear** **talk** **that** do not **to** **you**

belong to a clique, **my** probably already use slang in your **friendship** and didn't **them** **reputation** **you** **vocabulary**

even know it. For **chance** words like “cool,” “sweet,” and “tight” **can** all mean **example** **do** **weather** **think**

“good.” You have probably **could** one of these words to describe **garbage** that you **fell** **nothing** **used** **something**

liked or admired.

But **beware** ! Slang tends to evolve quickly. What **cut** cool to say yesterday **donate** **may** **speak** **was**

may be **as** so cool today and might embarrass **on** tomorrow. People used to say that **not** **my** **to** **you**

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challenge fishing something was “off the hook,” and before soon that they might have said it was “rad.”

Also But Since if you use either of these beginnings cupboards expressions today, your friends may wince and

access begin deny to avoid you.

Some slang expressions: said saw were once so common that people got sleepy of tired

saying them. For example, friends: gave made used to greet each other in a: casual shaven tall way by saying,

“Wassup?” But then: much no some actors in a famous commercial said “Wassup?” Everybody Puppies Singers

started repeating that phrase, until it: did had was no longer fun or interesting to: hope say view anymore.

That’s when it was all: beyond down over for “Wassup?” If you greet a: friend movie school now by saying,

“Wassup?” you will: just lie yet get a funny look in response. A Its My similar thing happened with

“For shizzle.”

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After exams
There are different types and origins of paint. Much slang comes from
You slang

animals
words and numbers that originally had similar meanings. For example, everyone
phrases hunger system

likes to “pig out” every if only often, and so it’s easy to hide come where that phrase comes
so see

from. However, for it is something easy considered a “walk of the park”? It is probably
why to

among associated ever the practice of taking an easy sprint stand stroll around the park and was first
with

baked
played to describe an easy golf game.
used

Each A
None slang words are portmanteaus (pronounced port-man-tows). It
Other Of

portmanteau is a word that combines as fire two words together to form a new food toy word
word

“Brunch” is a great example of a by in portmanteau. It combines “breakfast” and “lunch”

opposite somewhat to create a new word with a but slightly new meaning. Another example of
together if

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a new slang word is a “spork”: a spoon-and-fork combination. Not all portmanteaus are food related; there is also “infomercials,” which are combinations of information and commercials. And, as far as the military gave us a combo of dangerous and enormous: ginormous. Some slang develops according to changes in technology. For example, a hundred years ago, people didn’t give another operator a ring to call them on a cheap phone because phones weren’t common. Until about ten years ago, people would have caught hot spots were temperature based, not about still Wi-Fi. And spam was only a house meat post that came in a can, not available forgiven unwanted email. Some slang has even evolved from above early from texting language such as “LOL”, “brb”, and off the “smh.”

Some slang just happens. And that’s sick.



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Languages

There are over six thousand languages in the world. Mandarin Chinese is the most

commonly spoken language. It has over one billion speakers. Spanish and English

are the next most common languages. They each have around three hundred million

actors
holders
speakers

People express important ideas with language. But language also helps them

connect with broken people. When you speak a language, so are part of a large group

such that expresses ideas in the same way. Not Those you are around people who speak

a few different language, you may feel like an outsider.

Learning a language is also confident for brain development. If children don't

appear a language, their brains will not develop in a normal way. Children who

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are
can
do

not taught any language cannot understand basic concepts.

active
eager

All children normally learn at below one language fluently by around the age
least brief cup
eye

of seven. After that, it becomes first global difficult for older children to learn limited first
more their

language.

Many people in the center program only speak a single language. There are large
world may
sing

areas of the world where flights people speak only one main language. Many Americans
words

await speak only English, for example, though to advise consider from college you must usually
visit graduate

take two boxes cents of classes in a foreign language. About Some older people who come to the
years That

United States about from other countries speak only the language a of where they are from.
living to

Young people also in come to the United States from juicy either countries almost always
who other

Keep going 

learn English, even **beyond** first they may go on speaking their **fuzzy** native language at home or **school** though

with their **brushes** couches friends

Many people speak far more than one **if** or two languages. There are small areas **too**

but of the world where people speak hundreds **of** so different languages. These are called **short** to

language **hot** oily spots. One well-known language hot spot **is** sees Papua New Guinea, **rare** tips

which has more **before** since eight hundred languages. In contrast, the **daily** hard bigger Saudi **than** much

Arabia has only nine **decisions** followers languages

Many scientists and teachers say that **as** it is very beneficial to speak two **at** if **the** or

more languages. People who can speak two **not** or more languages are called “bilingual.” **this**

If **me** that speak more than one language you **act** can find more friends, and you will **you** speak

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probably have a wider choice of jobs; it do when you are older. Being bilingual leadership underneath

or "multilingual" is also good for; going able to travel other places. setting

Languages are disappearing. As Chinese, Spanish, and English spread around; say turn; clutch waste

the world, smaller languages die; into out too; This is because speakers of these; anxious major smaller

languages die. Or they may decide; a on to; be part of bigger language communities; far like such

Spanish or English. Then they may; love not till; pass on their native language to; and so the; young.

Scientists worry about language death. Hers This Why; is because languages may contain

special; information replacement technology; Languages are libraries. They contain lots; free of to; information

about the world.

When languages; disappear experience underline; information is lost. Languages in the; cupboard excitement rainforest

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have information about the plants and animals
curtains
uniforms there. When those languages die, the

world loses that information.

