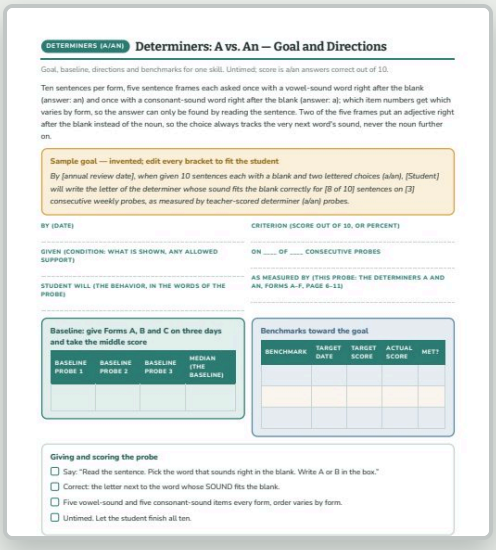
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A OR AN?

One skill, start to finish: the IEP goal, six probe forms, the graph. Untimed. Fillable PDF.


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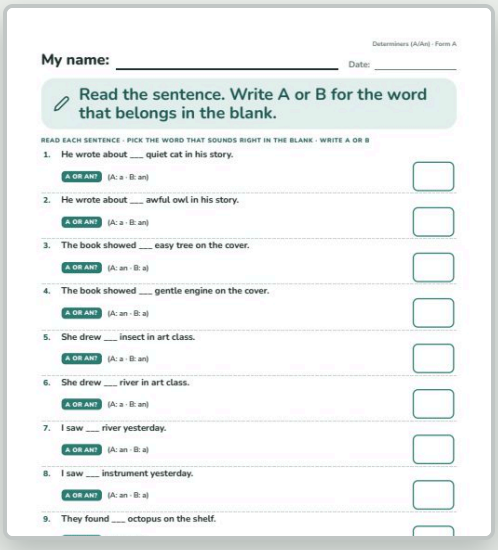
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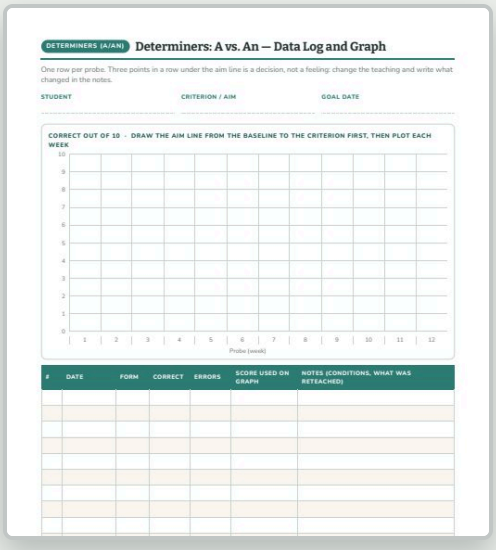

Determiners (A/An) · Form A

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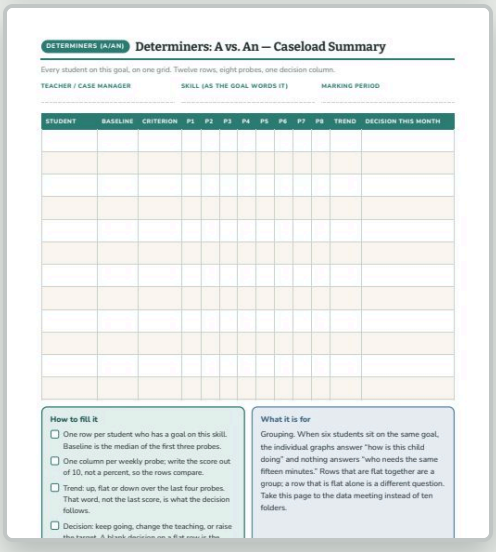
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Probe (week)

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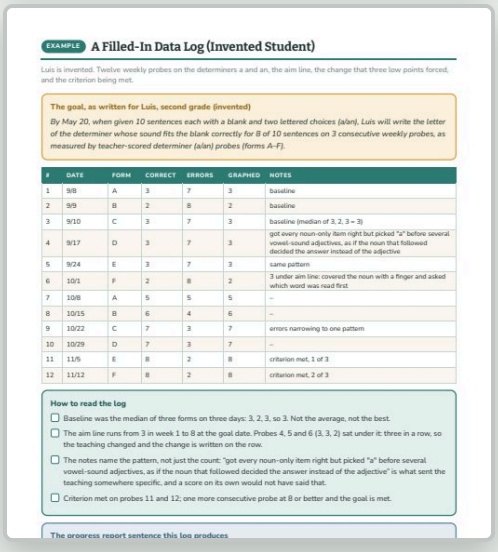
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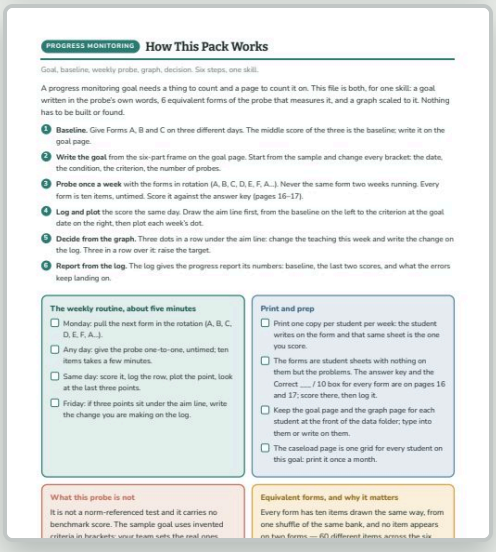
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The progress report sentence this log produces


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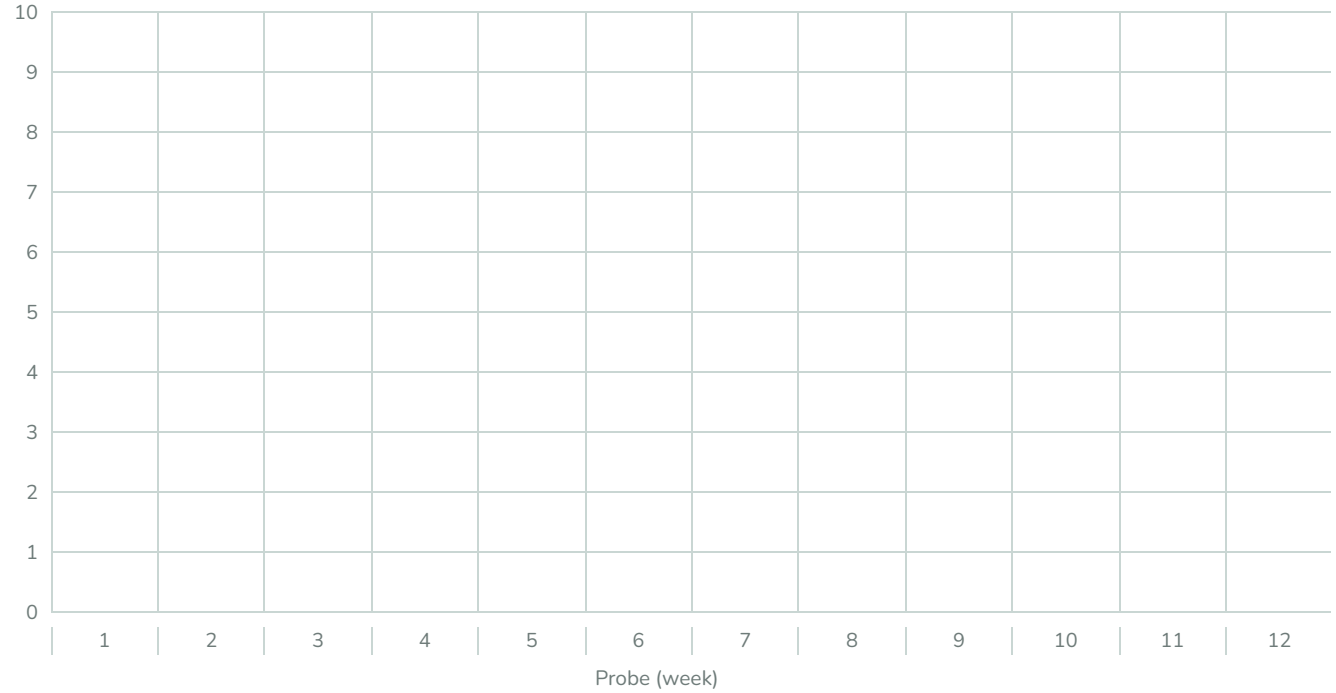
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