

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

PROGRESS MONITORING How This Pack Works

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The weekly routine, about five minutes

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- ☐ Any day: give the probe one or two, unlimited ten items takes a few minutes.
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- ☐ One student copy of each form in a sheet protector lasts the year; the student reads from it and writes nothing.
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Every form has ten items drawn the same way, from one shuffle of the same bank, and no item appears on two forms — 60 different items across the six forms. A score on one form means the same as a score on another, so the line on the graph is the student, not the paper. Rotate the forms and the page cannot be memorized.

Goal, baseline, directions and benchmarks for one skill. Untimed; score is words read correctly out of 10.

Ten words per form with ar, er, ir, or or ur, from a 49-word bank. Sixty across the six forms, none on two forms. The bank carries er, ir and ur together because they share a sound and the confusion between them is what the error notes catch.

Sample goal — invented; edit every bracket to fit the student

By [annual review date], when shown a list of 10 words containing r-controlled vowels, [Student] will read [8 of 10] words correctly on [3] consecutive weekly probes, as measured by teacher-recorded word reading probes.

BY (DATE)

CRITERION (SCORE OUT OF 10, OR PERCENT)

GIVEN (CONDITION: WHAT IS SHOWN, ANY ALLOWED SUPPORT)

ON ____ OF ____ CONSECUTIVE PROBES

STUDENT WILL (THE BEHAVIOR, IN THE WORDS OF THE PROBE)

AS MEASURED BY (THIS PROBE: R-CONTROLLED, FORMS A–F, PAGE 5–10)

Baseline: give Forms A, B and C on three days and take the middle score

BASILINE PROBE 1	BASILINE PROBE 2	BASILINE PROBE 3	MEDIAN (THE BASELINE)

Benchmarks toward the goal

BENCHMARK	TARGET DATE	TARGET SCORE	ACTUAL SCORE	MET?

Giving and scoring the probe

- ☐ Teacher holds a copy and marks on it; the student reads from a clean copy.
- ☐ Say: “Read each word. Go across the row.” Point to the first word.
- ☐ Correct: the whole word within about 3 seconds. Note whether the errors are ar and or, or the er / ir / ur group; they are different problems.
- ☐ Untimed. If the student stalls, say the word, mark it wrong, and point to the next one.

Scoring rules for this student (accepted answers, reversals, supports allowed)

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What the errors say to reteach (carry over from the log)

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NAME

DATE

FORM

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GOAL AS WRITTEN FOR THIS STUDENT (TYPE IT ONCE, THEN PRINT THE FORM)

perch

dark

art

nerve

sharp

firm

porch

her

first

burst

TEACHER COPY: MARK EACH ITEM ✓ OR X, THEN TOTAL

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

Words read correctly. Self-corrections count as correct. Write the score on the data log the same day.

Correct _____ / 10

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skirt

spur

dirt

twirl

germ

march

curb

mark

bird

shark

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R-Controlled Vowels — Data Log and Graph

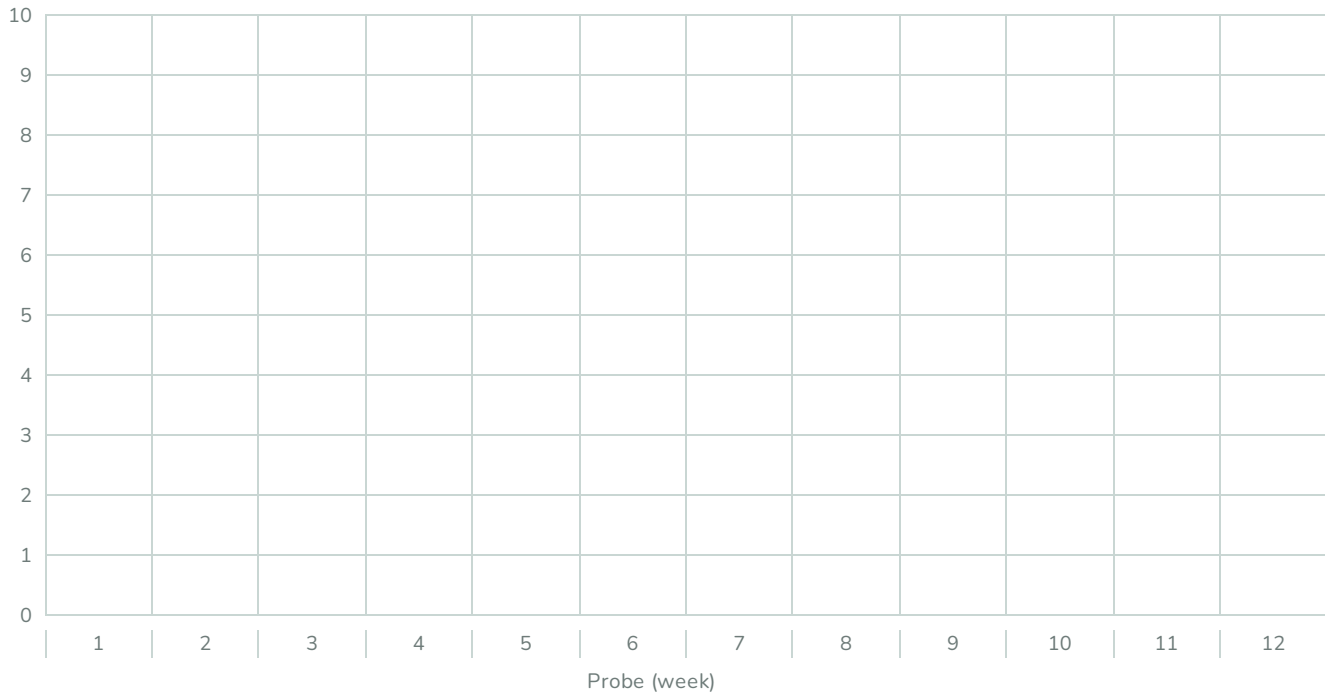
One row per probe. Three points in a row under the aim line is a decision, not a feeling: change the teaching and write what changed in the notes.

STUDENT

CRITERION / AIM

GOAL DATE

CORRECT OUT OF 10 · DRAW THE AIM LINE FROM THE BASELINE TO THE CRITERION FIRST, THEN PLOT EACH WEEK



#	DATE	FORM	CORRECT	ERRORS	SCORE USED ON GRAPH	NOTES (CONDITIONS, WHAT WAS RETEACHING)

R-Controlled Vowels — Caseload Summary

Every student on this goal, on one grid. Twelve rows, eight probes, one decision column.

TEACHER / CASE MANAGER

SKILL (AS THE GOAL WORDS IT)

MARKING PERIOD

STUDENT	BASELINE	CRITERION	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	TREND	DECISION THIS MONTH

How to fill it

- ☐ One row per student who has a goal on this skill. Baseline is the median of the first three probes.
- ☐ One column per weekly probe; write the score out of 10, not a percent, so the rows compare.
- ☐ Trend: up, flat or down over the last four probes. That word, not the last score, is what the decision follows.
- ☐ Decision: keep going, change the teaching, or raise the target. A blank decision on a flat row is the thing this page exists to catch.

What it is for

Grouping. When six students sit on the same goal, the individual graphs answer “how is this child doing” and nothing answers “who needs the same fifteen minutes.” Rows that are flat together are a group; a row that is flat alone is a different question. Take this page to the data meeting instead of ten folders.

EXAMPLE

A Filled-In Data Log (Invented Student)

Maya is invented. Twelve weekly probes on r-controlled vowel word reading, the aim line, the change that three low points forced, and the criterion being met.

The goal, as written for Maya, second grade (invented)

By May 20, when shown a list of 10 words containing r-controlled vowels, Maya will read 8 of 10 words correctly on 3 consecutive weekly probes, as measured by teacher-recorded word reading probes (forms A–F).

#	DATE	FORM	CORRECT	ERRORS	GRAPHED	NOTES
1	9/8	A	4	6	4	baseline
2	9/9	B	4	6	4	baseline
3	9/10	C	6	4	6	baseline (median of 4, 4, 6 = 4)
4	9/17	D	5	5	5	ar and or correct every time; every miss was er, ir or ur
5	9/24	E	5	5	5	same pattern
6	10/1	F	4	6	4	3 under aim line: taught the three spellings of that one sound together
7	10/8	A	6	4	6	–
8	10/15	B	7	3	7	–
9	10/22	C	7	3	7	errors narrowing to one pattern
10	10/29	D	7	3	7	–
11	11/5	E	8	2	8	criterion met, 1 of 3
12	11/12	F	8	2	8	criterion met, 2 of 3

How to read the log

- ☐ Baseline was the median of three forms on three days: 4, 4, 6, so 4. Not the average, not the best.
- ☐ The aim line runs from 4 in week 1 to 8 at the goal date. Probes 4, 5 and 6 (5, 5, 4) sat under it: three in a row, so the teaching changed and the change is written on the row.
- ☐ The notes name the pattern, not just the count: “ar and or correct every time; every miss was er, ir or ur” is what sent the teaching somewhere specific, and a score on its own would not have said that.
- ☐ Criterion met on probes 11 and 12; one more consecutive probe at 8 or better and the goal is met.

The progress report sentence this log produces

“On weekly r-controlled vowel word reading probes (10 items, untimed), Maya scored 4 of 10 at baseline in September and 8 of 10 on each of the two most recent probes in November. Progress is sufficient to meet the goal of 8 of 10 on three consecutive probes by May.” Every number in it is on the log above; nothing is from memory.