Why People Fought for Fairness

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The Civil Rights Movement began when people joined together to change these unfair rules. They marched, talked, and worked along with others who wanted equal rights. People wanted everyone to be treated the same, no matter what they looked like.

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Student Name:

Date:

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Scoring	Guide
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Text Level: F&P GRL O	Grade Level: 3	Word Count: 117
Total Words Read:		
Errors:		
WCPM: (total words rea	d — errors = WCPM	1)
WCPM: Below grade lev	el At grade level	Above grade level

Prosody: 1 2 3 4

Comprehension: ______ / 3 correct

Comprehension Questions:

Literal Question:

What did segregation do in schools?

Answer:

It kept Black and white children apart.

Student Answer:

correct incorrect	Correct	Incorrect
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Inferential Question:

Why do you think people worked together for change?

Answer:

They wanted fairness for everyone.

Student Answer:

Correct	Incorrect
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Vocabulary Question:

What does 'began' mean in the passage?

Answer:

It means to start or to begin.

Student Answer:

rrect

Notes:

How to Administer the Fluency Passage Assessment

Assess Oral Reading Fluency

- Give the student a copy of the passage. Set a timer or stopwatch for 1 minute.
- Ask the student to begin reading. As the student reads aloud, assess prosody and mark errors and self-corrections on the evaluation copy using the following guides.
- Stop the student when one minute has passed. Take note of the last word the student read.
- Score the passage on the evaluation copy according to the Scoring Guide. Use the following chart to compare grade level norms for words correctly read per minute.

Marking Conventions	
Attempted Word = Substitution Error	✓ = Accurate Word Reading
∧ = Insertion Error	Attempted Word S/C = Self Correction
— Omission Error	R = Repetition
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T = Intervention Error (telling student the word)	

Prosody Rubric		2	3	4
Expression and Volume			appropriate expression	varied, natural expression
Phrasing	word-by-word reading	some phrase groupings	generally smooth phrasing	natural, meaningful phrasing
Smoothness	frequent pauses, starts and stops	occasional breaks	mostly smooth reading	fluent and confident
Pace	too slow or too fast	uneven pace	generally appropriate pace	consistent, conversational pace

Grade Leve	el Norms (WC	PM) *	ノ				
Grade	Fall	Winter	Spring	Grade	Fall	Winter	Spring
First	0 – 10	10 - 50	30 - 90	Fourth	70 - 120	80 - 130	90 - 140
Second	30 - 80	50 - 100	70 - 130	Fifth	80 - 130	90 - 140	100 - 150
Third	50 – 110	70 - 120	80 - 140	Sixth	90 - 140	100 - 150	110 - 160

^{*} Rasinski Words Correct Per Minute Target Rates

Fluency Builder: Why People Fought for Fairness

Passage Details

Grade Level: 3

Reading Level: F&P GRL O

Word Count: 117

High-Frequency Words

along, began, children, country, together

Suggestions for Use

Increase Exposure to High-Frequency Words

- Before reading, introduce the list of high-frequency words in the passage.
- Find the words in the passage. Highlight or underline the words.

Illustrate and Label Extension Activity

• Have students draw and label items mentioned in the passage.

Link to Writing or Discussion

Encourage knowledge transfer and personal connection by asking:

"How would you feel if you could not go to the same school as friends?"

"Why is it important for people to work together for fairness?"

Use for Repeated Readings

Day 1: Teacher reads aloud, then echo read

Day 2: Partner reading

Day 3: One-minute fluency timing and WCPM tracking

Day 4: Performance reading (with expression!)