

Prince Learning Speed-Reading Program Outline

I. Introduction

- **Overview of materials:** Work with my exclusive guide supplemented by the best available practice exercises, tests, and books. Some materials provided on study skills.
- **Overview of program:** Explanation of strategies, techniques, and steps
- **Program Length:** Typically, six hours (three two-hour sessions, ideally a week apart)

II. Assess starting rates and comprehension

- **Easy reading test:** Words per minute (WPM); percent comprehension
- **Difficult reading test:** WPM; percent comprehension
- **Set improvement goals**—usually tripling of effective rate (WPM x comprehension)

III. Comprehension and study skills necessary for speed-reading

- **Pre-read for organization**—preview textbooks, chapters, articles, and narrative works
- **Activate background knowledge**—from coursework, experience, media, work, and travel
- **Question**—all titles, headings, captions, and graphics, and read to answer your questions
- **Recognizing key words**—signal and transitional words essential for comprehension

IV. Phrase reading—reading ideas (meaningful groups of words)

- Vertical column phrase reading exercises
- Horizontal full page reading exercises

V. Sweep-reading

- Reading demonstrations—reading as thinking or seeing ideas
- Easy fiction, 1- and 5-page timings
- Easy fiction, 1- and 5-minute timings with summaries
- Exercises and timings on informational materials: WPM; percent comprehension
- Graph entries (WPM, percent comprehension, effective rate) for timings and exercises

VI. Establish final rates and comprehension

- **Easy reading test:** WPM; percent comprehension
- **Difficult reading test:** WPM, percent comprehension
- **Graph** entries for final tests

VII. Continued improvement

- **Tips** for ongoing practice and improvement
- **Suggestions** for applying speed-reading to virtually all reading
- **Strategies** for applying speed-reading to passages on standardized tests
- **Additional books and tests** provided to clients for future practice

VIII. Alternative Programs Available

- Program may be supplemented with study and note taking skills, writing, grammar, and vocabulary improvement, and/or standardized test prep (SAT, ACT, SSAT, and others)
- **Remote** tutoring available worldwide; **in-person** tutoring in San Francisco
- **Small group** (2 students) programs at reduced rate per student

Prince Learning, *Highlights* of Speed-Reading Improvement

Student	Average Starting Rate* (WPM)	Average Ending Rate* (WPM)	Percent Increase
Will	325	2175	670%
Cora	100	650	650%
Nick C	100	625	625%
Roy M	125	750	600%
Erin	150	875	585%
Nick A	100	550	550%
Aaron	100	525	525%
Olivia	250	1300	520%
Skylar	125	650	520%
Liz	150	775	515%
Ceanna	150	725	485%
Ilana C	175	850	485%
Ben H	125	600	480%
David L	125	600	480%
Siobhan	100	475	475%
Nick S	125	575	460%
David B	125	550	440%
Claire	150	650	435%
Jeremy G	150	650	435%
Ally	250	1050	420%
Anna	150	625	415%
Kelsey	200	825	415%
Emily R	250	1025	410%
Duncan	175	700	400%
Sophia	175	700	400%
MEDIAN	150	650	480%
AVERAGE	158	779	496%

*Rate is defined as effective rate: it equals rate (WPM) times comprehension. For example, a rate of 250 words per minute with a comprehension of 80% yields an effective rate of 200 WPM. All effective rates are rounded to the nearest 25.

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