Instructional Focus: Grade: Second Grade Direct Instruction should include: Instructional Resource Daily reading of well controlled and appropriately matched text attending to phrasing, punctuation, intonation, & expression Model prosody and monitor & provide corrective feedback to students Instruct vocabulary strategies including morphology through multiple meaning webs, semantic maps, and word profiles Repetition and multiple exposures to vocabulary in context and use of word-play activities to enhance learning • Text dependent questions for students to respond to orally and in writing to demonstrate understanding of key details Identifying point of view, story structure and text features Metacognitive strategies such as questioning, predicting, inferring, summarizing Routines should include: • Consistency to minimize teacher talk and maximize student engagement Multiple opportunities to practice using words Grade-level decodable text to assess application of phonics skill to text Practice and monitor reading in leveled readers, vocabulary readers and cold reads Grade level rigorous text and vocabulary development



Instructional Focus: Grade: Second Grade Direct Instruction should include: Instructional Resource Linking letters to sounds and sounds to letters Introduce vowels + continuous consonant sounds for oral blending Blending sounds in VC and CVC words (with continuous consonants) Blending sounds in VC and CVC words (with stop consonants in final position) Blending sounds in CVC words (with stop consonants in initial position) Applying taught letters to sounds, words, phrases, text Use of tightly decodable text Direct and explicit comprehension and vocabulary instruction Exposure/ support with grade level rigorous text and paired vocabulary (Read Aloud) Routines should include: Consistency to minimize teacher talk and maximize student engagement Multiple opportunities for students to respond (at least 8) Daily Text Reading- minimum of 15 minutes Reading the decodable allows the student to sound and feel like a fluent reader



Instructional Focus:	Grade: Second Grade
 Direct Instruction should include: Modeling of metacognitive strategies (questioning, monitoring, predicting, inferring, summarizing) Daily application of metacognitive strategies taught in well controlled text Identify point of view, story structure and text features Responding to who, what, where, when, why and how questions Instruction in vocabulary strategies including morphology, multiple meaning webs, semantic maps, and word profiles 	Instructional Resource
 Multiple exposures to vocabulary in context and use of word-play activities Exposure and support with grade level rigorous text and vocabulary 	
Routines should include: • Weekly use of grade-level decodable text to assess application of phonics skill to text • Practice and monitor reading in leveled readers, vocabulary readers and cold reads • Consider independent reading of Anchor Text • Daily Text Reading- minimum of 15 minutes	



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Direct Instruction should include:	Instructional Resource
Pair visual with language to support understanding	
May need exposure to basic, high utility vocabulary	
Support with following simple 1 & 2 step directions	
Daily use of mnemonics to support recall	
Instruction, repetition, multiple exposures to vocabulary in context	
Use of word-play activities to enhance learning	
Support the development of word learning strategies	
Provide support blending letter sounds into words	
Applying taught letters to sounds, words, phrases, sentences, text	
Recognition of basic sight words with frequent opportunities to practice	
Routines should include:	
Consistency to minimize teacher talk and maximize student engagement	
Multiple opportunities for students to respond (at least 8)	
Employ explicit teaching routines in teaching vocabulary and comprehension	
Daily Text Reading- minimum of 15 minutes	
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Instructional Focus:	Grade: Second Grade
 Direct Instruction should include: Repeated practice of sight words, irregular words and phrases in a Rapid Word-Recognition Chart Review and application of regular and irregular words in connected text Daily reading of appropriately matched text attending to accuracy, phrasing punctuation, intonation, expression Support self-monitoring strategies to ensure accurate reading of text Direct instruction in phrasing or grouping words into meaningful units Repeated reading with phrasing arcs Direct, explicit instruction in grade level comprehension and vocabulary skills 	Instructional Resource
 Routines should include: Consistency to minimize teacher talk and maximize student engagement Multiple opportunities for students to respond (at least 8) Daily Text Reading- minimum of 15 minutes Consider use of leveled text to support growth of fluency and comprehension Reading the decodable allows the student to sound and feel like a fluent reader 	



Grade: Second Grade **Instructional Focus:** Direct Instruction should include: Instructional Resource Daily reading connected text to maintain accuracy and to improve automaticity Provide students with feedback on rate Provide opportunities for students to monitor/graph rate and accuracy Model prosody Direct instruction in phrasing or grouping words into meaningful units Repeated reading with phrasing arcs Make connection between accurate, fluent, expressive reading and comprehension Routines should include: Consistency to minimize teacher talk and maximize student engagement Employ explicit teaching routines in teaching vocabulary and comprehension Daily Text Reading- minimum of 15 minutes Carefully selected text to support the development of automaticity and prosody Practice and monitor reading of decodable texts, leveled readers and cold reads Reading the decodable allows the student to sound and feel like a fluent reader



Instructional Focus: Grade: Second Grade Direct Instruction should include: Instructional Resource Daily direct, explicit instruction connecting sounds to letters Daily use of mnemonics to support the recall of letter-sound correspondences Introduce high utility and continuous sounds (e.g. m & s) before stop sounds and less useful letters (e.g. j & q) Teach the most common sounds for letters prior to less common (c says /k/ as in cat not /s/ as in Cindy) Support/model blending of sounds into words (vowel + continuous consonant) Daily application blending letter sounds VC and CVC words, phrase, and sentence level Applying taught letter-sounds to controlled decodable text Direct instruction in irregular word reading Books that reinforce taught irregular words Exposure and support with grade level rigorous text and paired vocabulary (Read Aloud) Routines should include: Consistency to minimize teacher talk and maximize student engagement Multiple opportunities for students to respond (at least 8) Employ explicit teaching routines in teaching vocabulary and comprehension Daily Text Reading- minimum of 15 minutes Reading the decodable allows the student to sound and feel like a fluent reader



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Direct Instruction should include:	Instructional Resource
• Explicit instruction in consonant blends and digraphs in isolation, in words, and in text	
• Introduce less frequent letter-sound correspondences (/ā/ is spelled a_e or ai)	
Support/model blending more complicated phonics patterns (r-controlled, open and closed syllables)	
Apply blending strategy to words, phrase, sentence, text levels	
Instruct reading and the meaning of common prefixes and suffixes	
Use of all grade-level decodable text to reinforce grade-level skills and assess application	
Exposure and support with grade level rigorous text and paired vocabulary (Read Aloud)	
Consider use of the on-level or above text to support the growth of comprehension	
Routines should include:	
Consistency to minimize teacher talk and maximize student engagement	
Multiple opportunities for students to respond (at least 8)	
Employ explicit teaching routines in teaching vocabulary and comprehension	
Daily Text Reading- minimum of 15 minutes	
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Instructional Focus: Direct Instruction should include: Direct Instruction on Critical Words (High Utility, Tier II & Academic) Pair visuals (comprehensible input) with language to support understanding Direct instruction in word learning strategies (e.g., morphology, dictionary use, etc.) Explicit teaching of specific comprehension strategies with a clear succinct and consistent explanation, modeling, and guided practice. Opportunity for peer assisted practice. These should be paired with another instructional focus area. Routines should include: Consistency to minimize teacher talk & maximize student engagement Multiple opportunities for student practice critical skills (at least 8) Daily text reading – minimum of 15 minutes

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