

Informal Progress Monitoring - Student is compared against their own progress over time.

Listening Comprehension

- Track # of questions correctly answered following an appropriately-leveled passage
- Track # of salient details recalled from Read-To activity
- Monitor the student's ability to state critical story elements
- Monitor the student's ability to follow three-step directions

Grammar & Syntax (OE)

- Monitor the occurrence of developmentally-appropriate grammatical structures in an oral language sample
- Implement Cloze technique: e.g., one man, two ____.
- Monitor accurate repetition of sentences containing the structure of concern (e.g. "The cats and dogs are playing." for subject-verb agreement)
- Monitor the grammar and syntax in written products
- Monitor the student's ability to sequence 3, 4, or 5 words in a sentence
- Monitor the student's ability to sequence 3 sentences in a paragraph

Vocabulary (OE)

- Monitor correct use of new vocabulary in context when prompted (5 to 10 new words per week)
- Monitor accurate explanations of word meanings
- Monitor accuracy in identifying word function or category - receptively by pointing to a picture, or expressively by stating the information
- Student rates own familiarity with words: (1) never heard it before; (2) heard it, but don't know what it means; (3) know it has something to do with; (4) know it very well
- Monitor the student's ability to state synonyms
- Monitor the student's ability to state antonyms
- Monitor picture naming tasks

Narrative Structure (OE)

- Monitor spoken narratives for clear beginning, middle, and end
- Monitor # of events successfully sequenced using picture or sentence cards
- Monitor the student's narrative structures in written products
- Calculate MLUs in utterances

Social Language / Pragmatics (OE)

- Monitor the student's ability to initiate or imitate greetings first thing in the morning
- Have a student self-rate against a given daily goal, such as asking a friend to play or orally sharing in a cooperative group, on a daily chart (i.e. happy, sad or neutral face)
- Monitor conversational turn-taking skills
- Monitor verbal exchanges with peers
- Monitor staying on topic