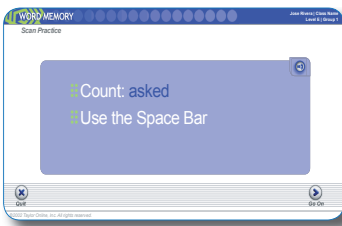


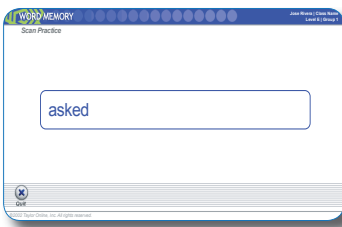


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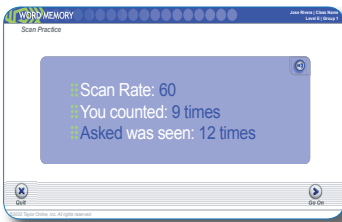
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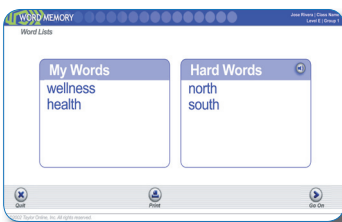
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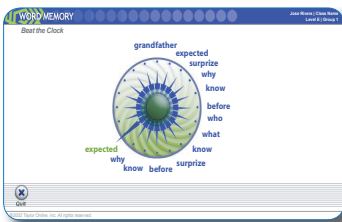
Scan Practice



Scan Results



My Words/Hard Words



Beat the Clock

Word Memory™ consists of three levels (1–3) that provide intensive scan and flash practice with the same core vocabulary words contained within Guided Reading™ lessons in levels (1–3 or A–C).

Lesson Selection

Students select a reading lesson from a lesson selection screen. Completed stories are marked with an X.

Scan Practice

Each new target word is presented in a sentence. The student clicks on it and hears the word pronounced. The student then completes a scan activity (similar to PAVE™), where three words appear across the screen. The student is instructed to press the spacebar each time the target word is seen. When the student is correct, the word changes color for confirmation. As the rate increases, the student will be instructed to count and type the number of times the target word appears, rather than use the spacebar. The initial scan rate is determined by the student's grade level. Each time the student is correct, the scan rate increases. After two consecutive incorrect scans, the scan rate is decreased. The maximum scan rate is 280 words per minute.

Flash Practice

Flash practice follows when all lesson words have been scanned. Each word is flashed for 1/6 second, after which the student is directed to type it. The letters are pronounced as they are typed. If a student types an incorrect letter, the audio prompts with the correct letter. At lower levels, the student is presented with three choices, as a help to select the proper word.

Related Words

In many lessons, words similar to the one flashed are presented. This helps the student apply the same word recognition strategies to new words.

My Words/Hard Words

At the end of the lesson, the student is presented with two lists. "My Words" lists those words the student both scanned and flashed correctly. "Hard Words" lists those the student counted incorrectly, flashed incorrectly or flashed extra times before being able to type the word. "Hard Words" will remain for study in the next lesson.

Records are created only after both scan and flash activities for a given lesson have been completed.

If a student chooses to quit before a lesson is completed, he or she will be returned to the bookmarked portion the next time the program is accessed.

Beat the Clock

At the end of each lesson, the student may choose to play Beat the Clock. In this exercise words are presented in a timed manner, and the student must read them aloud within either 1.5 seconds (slow), 1 second (fast), or .5 seconds (faster), before the narrator pronounces the words.

Benefits: *Word Memory™* uses flash training to enable students to recognize core vocabulary words instantly and accurately and to build a growing sight vocabulary. Through scanning practice, students also develop visual efficiency, and smooth, coordinated left-to-right eye tracking which assists in developing the foundational fluency skills.