

Mastery Check VIII

(To be given after Reading Concept 154 has been introduced and practiced.)

Reading

[Give the student a copy of Mastery Check VIII – Reading. The student reads the words and sentences aloud, and may read silently before reading aloud. Mark + for correctly read words and sentences and 0 for incorrectly read words and sentences. Mastery = no more than 8 errors.]

few _____	visit _____	import _____	steak _____
prescribe _____	soup _____	believe _____	monkey _____
phone _____	valley _____	sleigh _____	group _____
structure _____	audit _____	health _____	vein _____
comfort _____	extract _____	eight _____	receive _____
sweater _____	pantry _____	chief _____	kidney _____
curfew _____	script _____	pumpkin _____	translate _____
antler _____	arctic _____	instruct _____	vision _____
describe _____	great _____	stew _____	mildew _____

1. Our neighbor was transferred to Austin last summer.
2. The coach will phone the players if the game is canceled.
3. Greet the visitors with a warm smile and a handshake.
4. It may take two or three years to produce a motion picture.
5. The hungry dog barked at her empty food dish.
6. The ostrich sticks its head in the sand when it is afraid.

Fluency

- A. [Prepare an index card with the word *Shakespeare* written on it. Show the card to the student and pronounce the word.] Shakespeare was a writer of plays. He lived 400 years ago. The passage you are about to read is about one of Shakespeare's plays, *Henry the Fourth, Part One*.
- B. [Give the student a copy of Mastery Check VIII – Fluency. The student reads the passage aloud, and may read silently before reading aloud. Time the passage as the student reads aloud.]

Fluency Rate:

Time: _____

Words per minute: _____

(Total # words ÷ minutes)

of words missed: _____

(not self-corrected)

Accuracy: _____

(# right ÷ Total # words)

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Prince Hal, Future King of England

Oh, the demands of kingship! In the play *Henry the Fourth, Part One*, Prince Hal frets about the duties of being king. A king must be brave and gallant. He must be a great leader. A king must also understand his subjects, the people he rules.

While the King thinks that Prince Hal should be involved in more noble pastimes, the Prince prefers to hang out with his friend Falstaff. Falstaff is a big, jolly man who likes to have a good time. The Prince and Falstaff do silly things. They play tricks on other people and on each other.*

Prince Hal's actions worry the King. The King has a discussion with the Prince. The King wants Prince Hal to be more like Lord Percy, whose nickname is Hotspur. Hotspur is a knight who is brave and gallant. He is a good leader.

Prince Hal knows that he must be more like Hotspur when he becomes the king. But Falstaff is such a fun-loving person, he would help the Prince understand his subjects. Perhaps what Prince Hal should do is to be like both Falstaff and Hotspur. That would surely make him a fine king!