

Science of READING

Combining multiple bodies of research provides a more holistic approach and creates the strongest readers.

Simple View of Reading -

Reading comprehension is the product of decoding (phonics and phonemic awareness) and reading comprehension (vocabulary and background knowledge)

Scarborough's Reading Rope -

Visualizes reading as a "rope" with interwoven strands representing various reading skills, including phonological awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension

Five Pillars of Reading

Instruction - Phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension

Structured Literacy - Explicit, systematic, cumulative, and diagnostic, using phonological awareness, phonics, and decoding



*Unlocking the power of
phonics to supercharge
student literacy.*

Examples of Strategies in Practice

Kinesthetic

Students are directed to sit down each time they hear the /i/ sound at the beginning of a word, and to stand up each time they hear a different beginning sound. The physical movement reinforces the understanding of the sound placement in a word.

Auditory

Students listen to the /i/ sound in different words and then complete practice questions identifying the /i/ sound.

Visual

Students review flashcards with the week's spelling words that are represented phonemically, and use finger stretching to isolate the phonemes. Then students are directed to write the spelling words in their notebook.

Tactile

Interactives are embedded throughout lesson content that require students to drag and drop, sort, or categorize. Elsewhere, students cut, color, and paste sound cards as they are learning new sounds.

Phonemic Awareness

Phoneme instruction teaches students to hear, identify, and manipulate the smallest individual units of sound (phonemes) within spoken words.

Phonics

Phonics instruction teaches the relationship between sounds (phonemes) and the letters or letter combinations that represent them in written language.

Reading

Multiple strategies are contained within the curriculum to build student's reading comprehension, including Module Stories, Alliteration Books, Letter of the Week Books and Decodable Books.