

TRS Outlaw Words Assessment

Teacher Notes

The purpose of this “whole class” assessment is to determine which of the 99 most common non-phonetic Outlaw Words students can and cannot accurately read. Although, the test actually determines word recognition, rather than pronunciation, the correlation between the two is statistically significant and the results are valid and prescriptive. In other words, teachers can reliably use this diagnostic data to effectively differentiate instruction.

Directions/Recording/Mastery

Pass out the **Outlaw Words Assessment** to students. Say—“This is a short test to see if you can identify the words I say out loud. Listen carefully because I won’t repeat the words after the test is finished. On your test, find the first row of four words [Pause]. Fill in the capital letter that best matches the word I say. Let’s start with Number One. Ready? Number One is *through* (repeat twice more).” Follow this script for the rest of the test.

Once the assessments have been scored using the Teacher Answer Keys, the number of un-mastered Outlaw Words should be recorded in the Outlaw Words Pre-test column on the **Phonemic Awareness, Phonics, Sight Words, and Fluency Mastery Matrix** for each student.

Helpful Hints

- Keep a consistent pace of about seven seconds per test item—any longer and students will lose their place or begin daydreaming.
- After completing the example words, walk around the class to ensure that students are following directions.

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- ___ 4. A. wourld B. wurld C. world D. woorld
- ___ 5. A. culd B. coud C. cooud D. could
- ___ 6. A. shud B. should C. shughd D. shauld
- ___ 7. A. gigh B. guy C. geuy D. gauy
- ___ 8. A. one B. wun C. woon D. onne
- ___ 9. A. unly B. ownly C. only D. onlee
- ___ 10. A. again B. agian C. agin D. agein
- ___ 11. A. tou B. tu C. tau D. two
- ___ 12. A. faur B. four C. feur D. fiur
- ___ 13. A. does B. duz C. dose D. douse
- ___ 14. A. anuther B. anather C. another D. anouther
- ___ 15. A. faether B. father C. fother D. fouter
- ___ 16. A. ont B. ount C. waunt D. want
- ___ 17. A. were B. where C. wear D. wore
- ___ 18. A. what B. wat C. waht D. waut
- ___ 19. A. were B. where C. whear D. waur
- ___ 20. A. thayr B. thar C. there D. thier
- ___ 21. A. muther B. mother C. mauther D. meuther
- ___ 22. A. thay B. thaw C. thaiy D. they
- ___ 23. A. wurk B. werk C. wirk D. work
- ___ 24. A. says B. sez C. sais D. seys
- ___ 25. A. sed B. siad C. said D. sead
- ___ 26. A. leirn B. learn C. lurn D. leurn
- ___ 27. A. yaur B. yur C. yer D. your
- ___ 28. A. allmost B. almost C. awlmost D. aulmost
- ___ 29. A. whater B. watir C. water D. watur

- ___ 30. A. who B. whoo C. how D. hau
- ___ 31. A. eny B. any C. iny D. ainy
- ___ 32. A. meny B. mainy C. meiny D. many
- ___ 33. A. uther B. ather C. other D. outhter
- ___ 34. A. bein B. been C. bune D. baen
- ___ 35. A. already B. alredy C. allready D. awlredy
- ___ 36. A. soem B. sum C. sume D. some
- ___ 37. A. cume B. come C. calm D. coem
- ___ 38. A. from B. frum C. fraem D. frome
- ___ 39. A. very B. vairy C. veiry D. vaery
- ___ 40. A. dor B. door C. dour D. dore
- ___ 41. A. flor B. flore C. flour D. floor
- ___ 42. A. bot B. baught C. bought D. baut
- ___ 43. A. theyr B. ther C. their D. thier
- ___ 44. A. often B. offten C. auften D. oftin
- ___ 45. A. wauld B. wud C. wold D. would
- ___ 46. A. frend B. frind C. freind D. friend
- ___ 47. A. waek B. walk C. wak D. wawk
- ___ 48. A. taulk B. talk C. taek D. tolk
- ___ 49. A. gess B. geuss C. guess D. guies
- ___ 50. A. love B. luve C. loove D. leuve
- ___ 51. A. goen B. gone C. gon D. gawn
- ___ 52. A. give B. giv C. giev D. geiv
- ___ 53. A. liv B. liev C. liav D. live
- ___ 54. A. huse B. whoose C. whose D. house
- ___ 55. A. ubuve B. obeuv C. above D. abuve
- ___ 56. A. musel B. muscle C. mussle D. muscel
- ___ 57. A. houl B. howl C. whole D. whoul
- ___ 58. A. sure B. seur C. shur D. shure
- ___ 59. A. month B. munth C. menth D. muenth
- ___ 60. A. son B. sune C. suen D. suin

- ___ 61. A. won B. whon C. waun D. wone
- ___ 62. A. bei B. bigh C. bie D. buy
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- ___ 78. A. theu B. thugh C. thu D. the
- ___ 79. A. enough B. enuegh C. enuff D. enouf
- ___ 80. A. couff B. cough C. coufe D. caugh
- ___ 81. A. cloze B. clouse C. clothes D. clouthes
- ___ 82. A. heart B. hairt C. haert D. harte
- ___ 83. A. ighe B. eie C. ey D. eye
- ___ 84. A. munney B. money C. mony D. munny
- ___ 85. A. haff B. halve C. half D. haffe
- ___ 86. A. anzer B. anser C. answer D. ansher
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- ___ 89. A. grait B. great C. grayte D. gratte
- ___ 90. A. hieght B. hite C. hiete D. height
- ___ 91. A. ower B. owar C. hour D. huor

- ___ 92. A. break B. braek C. braik D. breik
- ___ 93. A. strate B. streight C. straight D. straet
- ___ 94. A. tuch B. tooch C. touch D. tutch
- ___ 95. A. ocein B. ocean C. oshin D. oshean
- ___ 96. A. iland B. island C. ieland D. islend
- ___ 97. A. country B. cuntry C. countree D. kuntrey
- ___ 98. A. lose B. luse C. loose D. luz
- ___ 99. A. tu B. tou C. tow D. to

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| ___ 36. | A. soem | B. sum | C. sume | D. some |
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