



Fact Sheet

FLRT™ Fluent Reading Trainer

Boosts Speed and Reading Comprehension

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"The placement and overlap of the eye fixations of fluent readers are more efficient than those of less skilled readers. Faster readers also make shorter fixations, longer jumps between fixations, and fewer regressions than slow readers." (NICHD, 2000)

Background

Research shows that students, who read faster, enjoy reading and comprehend more of what they read. Successful reading requires efficient eye function movement from left to right in one sweep across the page—a concept called "teaming." For students who read slowly, reading can become a laborious task. Struggling readers often experience the inability of their eyes to work together. Poor eye-teaming causes re-reading of passages and difficulty in processing groups of words as meaningful phrases. Students with poor eye-teaming skills frequently miss the larger meanings of chapters and entire books, causing weaknesses in overall reading fluency.

The Program

Fluent Reading Trainer (FLRT) has been designed to systematically increase reading speed while ensuring proficient reading comprehension. The program provides visual discrimination practice while learning to read sight words and high frequency words. Layering these component skills provides each student with educationally sound training sessions in fluency. Students can improve their reading speed from 50 to over 300 words per minute. For students who use FLRT, school becomes easier, reading becomes more meaningful, vocabularies explode and higher education becomes more attractive, preventing drop-outs.

Who Should Use FLRT?

Any person who wants to improve reading speed and comprehension. The program has delivered impressive results with special needs students, beginning readers to above average readers, English Language Learners (ELL) and, anyone age six and up with basic reading skills.

Time Required

MindPlay recommends that a learner spend a minimum of 30 minutes a day three times a week on the program. For optimal success, the program should be completed within three to four months. Most learners can achieve their desired reading rate within a semester of use.

System Requirements

Windows Millennium or newer, Internet Explorer 6 (or higher), or Mozilla Firefox 1.0., 256mb RAM, 16-bit color, sound card, speakers and mouse.

WAN / LAN Server Version: Windows 2000 server (with SP4) or newer, 512mb RAM, 3 gigabytes free hard drive space. (Workstation version requires a network connection.)

Guarantee

Fluent Reading Trainer (FLRT)™ has a 30-day, unconditional, money-back guarantee. Visit www.mindplay.com for more information.

Availability

The Professional Edition can be ordered through an authorized MindPlay dealer.