



## Free Reading Skills Check (Grades K–6)

A short screening to help identify what may be holding your child back in reading.

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### How to Use This Reading Skills Check

This short reading skills check is designed to help parents/caregivers notice possible gaps that may be affecting their child's reading progress. It is **not a test** and does not provide a diagnosis. You do not need special training to complete this. Simply observe your child and answer honestly based on what you see most often.

1. Takes about **10–15 minutes**
2. Best used with children in **grades K–6**
3. No pressure — stop if your child becomes frustrated

## Reading Skills Checklist

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all statements that apply to your child.

### Foundational Skills

- ■ Struggles to recognize letter sounds consistently
- ■ Confuses similar sounds (b/d, p/b, short vowels)
- ■ Needs frequent help sounding out simple words

### Decoding & Word Reading

- ■ Reads slowly or word-by-word
- ■ Guesses words instead of sounding them out
- ■ Avoids unfamiliar words

### Fluency

- ■ Reading sounds choppy or robotic
- ■ Has difficulty reading smoothly
- ■ Loses place while reading

### Comprehension

- ■ Can read the words but struggles to explain meaning
- ■ Forgets what was read moments later
- ■ Has trouble answering basic questions about the text

### Attention & Learning Behaviors

- ■ Easily distracted during reading tasks
- ■ Becomes frustrated or shuts down
- ■ Needs frequent breaks to stay engaged

### What Your Responses May Indicate

If you checked several items in one or more sections, it may suggest an underlying skill gap rather than a lack of effort or motivation. Many children struggle in reading not because they are “behind,” but because one or two foundational skills were never fully solidified.

### What to Do Next

If you would like professional guidance on your child's reading needs, we invite you to take the next step. **Schedule a Free Reading Consultation at: [support@mindadvent.com](mailto:support@mindadvent.com) / Call: 770-588-9770**