

“Techniques For Developing Fluency”.

I used this technique with my fluency and comprehension class and LOVED it!! Hearing the students improve right in front of me while reading with relaxed ease sounded amazing!!! I hear them struggle all the time, and it was music to my ears to hear them use this technique. It wasn't hard to teach or learn. Quoting a part of the literature you sent me: “Research on repeated readings indicates that the number of trials to achieve fluency decreases over time and fluency gains made on earlier passages transfer to subsequent passages”. Super!!

This technique is great! I have included it here if you would like to share my letter to get the word out...

1. Read story to the students (ask them questions about it, discuss vocabulary, etc.),
2. Read the story to the students again and have the students follow along with their fingers
3. Students read the story aloud with you (this part was awkward to us at first! Lol),
4. Students read the story by themselves.

That's it!! Simple!!

I love using easy, researched techniques that the kids like and that work! I changed it up, a little, due to lack of time. I read a whole story (out of Legends and other Tales- reader 6) and had the kids pick a paragraph to do the technique with.

Thank you again for all the help you have given me over the years! Love you!!!

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