

Running Records: Learning to Take Records of Reading Continuous Text

**Sensitive Observation
of Reading Behavior**

Running Record
Professional Learning Package

PART ONE

Mugs

**Reading Recovery
Level 14**



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ITEM 1: Accurate Reading

Listen and Follow

“Mark every word read correctly with a tick (or check).”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 58; 2000, p. 11)

Page	Text	Response
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	√ √ √ √ √ √
	He has big feet and big eyes.	√ √ √ √ √ √ √
	He has long hair and a long tail.	√ √ √ √ √ √ √ √
	He likes to twitch his tail.	√ √ √ √ √ √
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	√ √ √ √ √ √ √
	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	√ √ √ √ √ √
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	√ √ √ √ √ √
	Then he takes a nap on his favorite	√ √ √ √ √ √ √ √
	red velvet chair.	√ √ √

ITEM 1: Accurate Reading — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 2: Substitution

Listen and Follow

“Record a wrong response with the text under it.”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 58; 2000, p. 11)

Scoring: Count each uncorrected substitution as one error.

Page	Text	Response
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	✓ ✓ ✓ <u>black</u> <u>big</u> ✓ big black
	He has big feet and big eyes.	✓ ✓ ✓ <u>eyes</u> ✓ ✓ <u>feet</u> feet eyes
	He has long hair and a long tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ <u>tongue</u> tail
	He likes to twitch his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	✓ ✓ ✓ <u>Anna</u> ✓ ✓ ✓ Ann
	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ <u>moves</u> ✓ ✓ twitches
	Then he takes a nap on his favorite	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ <u>nape</u> ✓ ✓ ✓ nap
	red velvet chair.	✓ ✓ ✓

ITEM 2: Substitution — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 3: Attempts at Words

Listen and Follow

"If a child tries several times to read a word, record all his trials."

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 58; 2000, p. 11)

Scoring: There is no penalty for trials which are eventually correct.

Page	Text	Response						
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ <table><tr><td>b -</td><td>brown</td></tr><tr><td>black</td><td></td></tr></table> ✓	b -	brown	black			
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	He has big feet and big eyes.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓						
	He has long hair and a long tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ <table><tr><td>nose</td><td>neck</td></tr><tr><td>tail</td><td></td></tr></table>	nose	neck	tail			
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	He likes to twitch his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓						
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ <table><tr><td>Mike</td><td>Michael</td></tr><tr><td>Mugs</td><td></td></tr></table> ✓	Mike	Michael	Mugs			
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	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓						
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓						
	Then he takes a nap on his favorite	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓						
	red velvet chair.	✓ <table><tr><td>v -</td><td>vel -</td><td>✓</td></tr><tr><td>velvet</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table> ✓	v -	vel -	✓	velvet		
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ITEM 3: Attempts at Words — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 4: Self-Correction

Listen and Follow

“If a child succeeds in correcting a previous error, this is recorded as a ‘self-correction’ (written SC).”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 58; 2000, p. 11)

Scoring: Self-corrections are not counted as errors.

Page	Text	Response				
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	✓ ✓ ✓ <table><tr><td>black</td><td>SC</td></tr><tr><td>big</td><td></td></tr></table> ✓ ✓	black	SC	big	
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	He has big feet and big eyes.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓				
He has long hair and a long tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓					
He likes to twitch his tail.	✓ <table><tr><td>loves</td><td>SC</td></tr><tr><td>likes</td><td></td></tr></table> ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓	loves	SC	likes		
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2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓				
	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	✓ ✓ ✓ <table><tr><td>his</td><td>SC</td></tr><tr><td>himself</td><td></td></tr></table> ✓ ✓	his	SC	himself	
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	himself					
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓				
Then he takes a nap on his favorite	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓					
red velvet chair.	<table><tr><td>pretty</td><td>SC</td></tr><tr><td>red</td><td></td></tr></table> ✓ ✓	pretty	SC	red		
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ITEM 4: Self-Correction — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 5: Consolidation (ITEMS 1–4) — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 6: No Response
and Insertion

Listen and Follow

“If no response is given to a word it is
recorded with a dash. Insertion of a word
is recorded over a dash.”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 59; 2000, p. 12)

Scoring: Count each uncorrected insertion and
omission as one error. See page 64
(#3, #4, #5) in the Observation Survey for
more detailed scoring information.

Page	Text	Response
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	✓ ✓ ✓ <u>big</u> ✓ ✓
	He has big feet and big eyes.	✓ ✓ <u>four</u> ✓ ✓ ✓ <u>two</u> ✓ ✓
	He has long hair and a long tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ <u>black</u> ✓
	He likes to twitch his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	✓ ✓ <u>early</u> ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ <u>long</u> ✓
	Then he takes a nap on his favorite	<u>then</u> ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	red velvet chair.	✓ <u>velvet</u> ✓

ITEM 6: No Response and Insertion — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 7: Told

Listen and Follow

“If the child baulks, unable to proceed a) because he is aware he has made an error and cannot correct it, or b) because he cannot attempt the next word, he is told the word (written as T). This preserves the storyline and starts the reader off again. (Wait no more than about three seconds.)”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 59; 2000, p. 12)

Scoring: Count each “told” as one error.

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ITEM 7: Told — Try It

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ITEM 8: Verbal Appeal

Listen and Follow

“A verbal appeal for help (A) from the child is turned back to the child for further effort. Say ‘You try it’ (recorded as Y). The response from the teacher is not a teaching interaction; it involves no prompting but merely a shift of the initiative.”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 59; 2000, p. 12)

Scoring: If attempts do not result in a correct response, count as one error.

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1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	<table><tr><td>-</td><td>A</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Mugs</td><td>-</td><td>Y</td><td>T</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td>✓</td><td></td></tr></table>	-	A									Mugs	-	Y	T	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
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ITEM 8: Verbal Appeal — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 9: Consolidation (ITEMS 1–4 and 6–8)— *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 10: Try That Again

Listen and Follow

“Sometimes a child gets into a state of confusion and it is necessary to extricate him. The most detached method of doing this is to say ‘Try that again,’ marking TTA on the record. This would not involve teaching, but the teacher needs to indicate where the child should begin again. Put square brackets around the first set of muddled behaviour, enter the TTA, remember to count that as one error only, and then begin a fresh record of the problem text.”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 59; 2000, p. 12)

Scoring: See Clay’s quote above for scoring information.

Page	Text	Response
1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	√ √ √ √ √ √ √ is √ b-i-g f-ee-t has big feet √ √ √ √ √ √ √ TTA √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	√ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ searches his twist hair the stretches He twitches his tail √ √ √ √ √ √ TTA √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √ √

ITEM 10: Try That Again — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 11: Single Word Repetition

Listen and Follow

“R, standing for repetition, is used to indicate repetition of a word, with R₂ or R₃ indicating the number of repetitions.”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 60; 2000, p. 13)

Scoring: Repetitions are not counted as errors.

Page	Text	Response
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	√ √ √ √ R √ √
	He has big feet and big eyes.	√ √ √ √ √ √ √ R
	He has long hair and a long tail.	√ √ √ √ R √ √ √ √
	He likes to twitch his tail.	√ √ √ √ √ √
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	√ √ √ √ √ √ √
	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	√ R ₂ √ √ √ √ √
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	√ √ √ √ √ √
	Then he takes a nap on his favorite	√ √ √ √ √ √ √ R √
	red velvet chair.	√ √ √

ITEM 11: Single Word Repetition — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 12: Phrase or Line Repetition

Listen and Follow

“If a child goes back over a group of words, or returns to the beginning of the line or sentence in his repetition, the point to which he returns is shown by an arrow.”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 60; 2000, p. 13)

Scoring: Repetitions are not counted as errors.

Page	Text	Response
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	√ √ √ √ √ √ R
	He has big feet and big eyes.	√ √ √ √ √ √ √
	He has long hair and a long tail.	√ √ √ √ R √ √ √ √
	He likes to twitch his tail.	√ √ √ √ √ √
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	√ √ √ R ₂ √ √ √ √
	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	√ √ √ √ √ √
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	√ √ R √ √ √ √
	Then he takes a nap on his favorite	√ √ √ √ √ √ √ √
	red velvet chair.	√ √ √ R

ITEM 12: Phrase or Line Repetition — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 13: Repetition and Self-Correction

Listen and Follow

“Sometimes the child rereads the text (repetition) and corrects some but not all errors.”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 60; 2000, p. 13)

Page	Text	Response
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	↓ ✓ ✓ ✓ black R SC ✓ ✓ big
	He has big feet and big eyes.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ blue R big
	He has long hair and a long tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	He likes to twitch his tail.	↓ ✓ ✓ ✓ swish R₂ twitch ✓ ✓
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	↓ ✓ ✓ ✓ his SC ✓ ✓ R himself
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	Then he takes a nap on his favorite	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	red velvet chair.	↓ ✓ ✓ couch R SC chair

Scoring: Give credit for any corrected words.

ITEM 13: Repetition and Self-Correction — *Try It*

Practice Recording Here	Page	Text	Practice Recording Here
	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	

ITEM 14: Spelling and Sounding Out a Word

Listen and Follow

“If a child spells out the letters of a word, record capitals for spelling (as in HELP) and record letter or cluster breaks (as in h-e-l-p-ing) for sounding out.”

(Clay, 2002, 2006, p. 60; 2000, p. 13)

Scoring: Spelled words not followed by a correct reading of the word are counted as errors. Because of the variations within ‘sounding’ behaviors, teacher judgment is required for scoring.

Page	Text	Response
1	Mugs is a big, black cat.	MUGS ✓ Mugs ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	He has big feet and big eyes.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	He has long hair and a long tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ h- ai - r ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ hair
	He likes to twitch his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ TWITCH ✓ ✓ ✓ twitch
2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ f - ee - d - s ✓ ✓ ✓ feeds
	breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	He stretches. He twitches his tail.	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓
	Then he takes a nap on his favorite	✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ FAVORITE ✓ favorite
	red velvet chair.	✓ ✓ ✓

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ITEM 15: Consolidation (ALL ITEMS) — *Try It*

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	1	Mugs is a big, black cat. He has big feet and big eyes. He has long hair and a long tail. He likes to twitch his tail.	
	2	In the morning Ann feeds Mugs his breakfast. Mugs licks himself all over. He stretches. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap on his favorite red velvet chair.	
	4	In the afternoon Mugs sits on the windowsill and watches the brightly colored birds flying in and out of the bird feeder. He twitches his tail. Then he takes a nap in the warm, afternoon sun.	