

Story Retelling Rubric

Name _____ Title _____ Date _____

Say: Start at the beginning and tell me what happened in the story.

Identifies Characters:
Setting:
Beginning:
Middle:
End:

If necessary, use one or more of the prompts on the reverse side to gain more information after the initial retelling.

	Intervention	Instructional	Proficient	Advanced
Sequence of Events; Time words	Includes only 1 or 2 events, no time words (limited retelling) 1	Includes at least 3 events generally in random order, may have 1 time word 2	Includes most of the important events in sequential order with some time words 3	Includes all important events from beginning, middle and end with time words 4
Characters and Details	Refers to characters using general pronouns; may include incorrect information 1	Refers to characters using pronouns, includes at least 1 detail, may have some misinterpretation 2	Refers to most characters by name and includes some important details 3	Refers to all characters by name and includes all important details 4
Vocabulary	Uses general terms or labels; limited understanding of key words/concepts 1	Uses some language from the text; some understanding of key words/concepts 2	Uses language from the text; basic understanding of most key words/concepts 3	Uses important language from the text; good understanding of key words/concepts 4
Use of Evidence to Clarify	No use of text evidence 1	Looks back and uses pictures if stuck 2	Uses pictures and rereads if stuck 3	Rereads to check accuracy or revise 4
Teacher Support	Retells with five or more questions or prompts 1	Retells with 3 or 4 questions or prompts 2	Retells with 1 or 2 questions or prompts 3	Retells with no questions or prompts 4
SCORE	5, 6, 7, 8, 9	10, 11, 12, 13, 14	15, 16, 17, 18	19, 20

Story Retelling Summary Sheet

Name _____ Date _____

Title _____

Student Selected _____ Teacher Selected _____

SCORES

Unprompted Prompted

Setting:

Begins with introduction (1 pt) _____

Gives time and place (1 pt) _____

Characters:

Names main character (1 pt) _____

Identifies other characters (1 pt)

Gives names _____

Gives number _____

Problem:

Identifies primary story problem (1 pt) _____

Action:

Recalls major events (1 pt) _____

Outcome:

Identifies how problem was solved (1 pt) _____

Gives story ending (1 pt) _____

Sequence:

Retells story in order (2 pts = correct;
1 pt = partial; 0 = no evidence of sequence) _____

Gives time order words _____

TOTAL SCORE (10 pts possible) _____

Observations/Comments:

Analysis: