Reading Fluency Readiness Assessment for Third Grade

Directions for Reading Fluency Readiness Assessment:

1. Listen to your child read the passage aloud.

2. Check to see if your child is reading the passage accurately and with expression.

3. Monitor your child’s understanding of the passage.

A Present from Me

I wanted to take my stepmother out to dinner for her birthday

and pay for our dinner with my own money. I wanted it to be a

surprise and I wanted it to be just from me. The problem was, I

didn’t have any money!

I went out to try to find ways to earn money. The lady who

lives in the apartment upstairs said she wanted to get rid of all

her empty soda cans and bottles. She said I could keep the

money for the deposit if I took all of the cans and bottles back to

the store. It took me five trips, but I got them all taken back to

the store.

The man in the apartment downstairs said I could walk his

dog after supper every night for two weeks. Our neighbor lady

said she could use some help putting out the trash and getting rid

of old newspapers. One lady in our building said she would like

some help with her groceries, but she couldn’t afford to pay me.

I helped her anyway. She said she would give me some flowers

to give to my stepmother.

The day before her birthday I asked Mom if she would go on

a date with me for dinner. She was surprised when I paid for the

dinner with the money I had earned. She made me tell her where

I had gotten the money. Then she gave me a big hug and said it

was the best birthday present ever. I think she liked the flowers

the best of all.

\*By the end of third grade, your child should be reading approximately 120 words per minute.