

Concept Words in Sentences

Description Children read sentences that include concept words (days of the week, seasons of the year, months of the year, weather words, etc.), locate the words and then reread the sentences.

- You Need**
- ▶ Sentences that include concept words (select from sample set included or create your own based on children’s experiences—Concept Word Sentences sheet)
 - ▶ Concept Words: In Isolation and in Sentences—Class Record form

Why Use It Many books that children read will feature these concept words. This assessment gives you information about children’s ability to locate these words quickly and use them to monitor their reading.

- How to Use It**
- ▶ Administer this assessment to individuals or a small group; in a group, have children take turns.
 - ▶ Prepare sets of sentences using concept words and ask children to read them with you (Shared Reading). Examples of sentences are provided, but you will need to adjust them to fit your own environment.
 - ▶ Then ask the children to locate specific concept words.
 - ▶ Over time, accumulate results and enter them on the Class Record.

- What to Notice**
- ▶ The child’s ability to locate specific concept words
 - ▶ Number of concept words the child locates accurately