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Grade 5 CCSS English Language Arts Standards (CCSS. ELA)	Sample Goals:
Phonics and Word Recognition: <u>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.5.3</u> Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	By (<i>date</i>) when given a list of (#) (<i>Student</i>) will accurately decode regular and irregular unfamiliar grade level multisyllabic words [2 or more syllables], comprised of various combinations of all six syllable types [i.e., closed, vowel-consonant-e, open, consonant -le, r-controlled and double vowel] with 90% accuracy as measured by teacher charted running records and informal assessments.
<u>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.5.3.A</u> Use combined knowledge of all letter- sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology (e.g., roots and affixes) to read accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context and out of context.	By (<i>date</i>), (<i>Student</i>) will demonstrate understanding of the applicable syllable-division rule, the syllable type, and the consequent vowel-sound through both verbalization and marking (# of words), with 95% accuracy as measured by teacher charted running records and informal assessments.
<i>Fluency:</i> <u>CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RF.5.4</u> Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.	By (<i>date</i>), when given (#) grade-level passages, (<i>Student</i>) will read aloud fluently with appropriate intonation and expression an average of (# of words) words correct per minute [WCPM] as measured by teacher running records and informal assessments.
	Helpful tip: <u>Read Naturally table</u> shows oral reading fluency based on grades and avg. weekly improvement.