

Acadience™ Reading Diagnostic PA & WRD



What is Acadience Reading Diagnostic PA & WRD?

Acadience Reading Diagnostic PA & WRD¹ (Phonemic Awareness & Word Reading and Decoding) is an advanced diagnostic assessment tool designed to provide additional in-depth information to help improve instruction for students in grades K–6 and for older students with very low skills. It is untimed and individually administered.

The PA & WRD measures are rigorously researched and are:

- Highly rated in terms of usefulness of data and ease of use
- Used to assess each of the key basic early literacy skills: Phonological Awareness, Alphabetic Principle, Accuracy and Fluency with Connected Text, Comprehension, and Vocabulary
- Aligned with the CCSS
- Time-efficient and cost-effective
- Linked to Acadience Reading K-6, but can be used for students not reaching benchmark on any screener

Read more at: <https://acadiencelearning.org/diagnostic.html>.

Why use PA & WRD?

PA & WRD may be used anytime an educator would like to have additional assessment on a student who is not making sufficient progress and more information is needed for instructional planning.

The precise information from these assessments helps educators answer these questions:

- What types of support do students need (i.e., prompts, modeling, or scaffolding)?
- What specific skills should be the focus of instruction or intervention?

- What instructional strategies should be implemented?

What training opportunities are available for PA & WRD?

An online workshop is available for PA & WRD. Training on Acadience Reading Survey² is included. The cost is \$129 per user for a 30-day subscription, and it comes with a printed training book. The workshop is approximately 3 hours in length.

Prerequisite: Although prior training in Acadience Reading K-6 is helpful, it is not required.

Acadience Reading Mentors who complete training and pass a quiz will receive an endorsement to their certificate for PA & WRD and Survey training so they can use DMG's materials to train others.

To sign up, visit: <https://www.dmgtraining.org/>.

Onsite and live webinar trainings are also available. For more information, email info@acadiencelearning.org.

How do I purchase PA & WRD and what is the cost?

PA & WRD is available for purchase from Voyager Sopris Learning at: <http://store.voyagersopris.com/dibels-deep/>.

The cost for the full kit is \$93.95 and includes everything needed to get started—the Assessment Manual, Assessment Books, and Score Sheets. The individual components can also be purchased separately.

Interested in seeing samples?

Email us at info@acadiencelearning.org.

¹ Published as DIBELS® Deep PA & WRD
² Published as DIBELS Next® Survey