What is Acadience Reading Diagnostic: PA & WRD?

Acadience Reading Diagnostic PA & WRD (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

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 training opportunities are available for PA & WRD?

Acadience offers a wide variety of professional learning options. Each is designed to support schools and districts to use Acadience assessments to improve student learning outcomes.

ALI’s training team works with each customer to create a professional learning plan that will meet their needs and accomplish their goals. Acadience workshops give information on how to use the assessments effectively to maximize student progress.

To begin creating a professional learning plan or to receive a quote for training, please email Acadience directly at training@acadiencelearning.org.

How do I purchase PA & WRD?

PA & WRD materials are available for purchase from Voyager Sopris Learning.

To order PA & WRD materials, contact Voyager Sopris Learning by phone or email.

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