

Sample Grant Application for One Minute Reader

Note: Please remember that this is simply a guideline to aid you in your grant applications and should not be submitted without your personal adjustments. Additional information can be found on the [Read Naturally website](#).

Grant Title: School-to-Home Fluency Program

Funds Requested: _____
(See table below for program costs.)

Number of Student Participants: _____

Briefly summarize the proposed project and desired outcomes: Read Naturally offers a home checkout program called One Minute Reader. I would like to purchase levels _____ to use for a checkout program. Teachers will send the books and CDs home with students who need reading fluency practice. Our school is currently using Read Naturally's program for fluency development with students in grades 1 to 3. Our students who are scoring below the recommended benchmark in fluency need to spend time at home each day reading materials that are at an appropriate level in order to make greater gains in their fluency development.

Describe clearly and concisely the intent of the program: The intent of the project is to assist students in improving their reading fluency. Many students pass the oral reading accuracy part of the benchmark, but their reading rate and ability to read with expression is below grade level. Many English learners also struggle with fluency. The repeated-reading strategy used in One Minute Reader has been identified by the National Reading Panel as the best tool for developing fluency ([National Reading Panel Report](#), 2000).

Describe as specifically and quantitatively as possible how the objective will be reached: Once materials arrive, I will conduct an in-service for teachers on the use of the program. Parents will be supplied with clear, concise directions on how to use the at-home program as well as an instructional DVD, which informs parents about how they can help their students. The students will benefit in two ways from the program. They will have extra practice reading nonfiction materials that are at an appropriately challenging level, and they will practice comprehension skills by answering the comprehension questions that follow each story. The program also includes activities for developing vocabulary. These components will benefit students who are learning English, and they will assist parents and families as they support their children's progress.

Describe how this project will be evaluated and how you will assess the achievement of its objectives:

Students using the program will be given pre- and post-tests (<<insert the names of the assessments here>>) to examine growth. Benchmark assessment will take place three times per year for all students, and more frequent progress monitoring will occur for at-risk students.

Read Naturally's programs are nationally recognized, and scientific research indicates that increasing fluency has a direct correlation with improved comprehension (Fuchs, Fuchs, Hosp, & Jenkins, 2001). [A review of the research](#) on the Read Naturally Strategy based on the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) shows that Read Naturally programs meet the ESSA requirement

for evidence based: there are studies of Read Naturally programs that include strong evidence to support the use of Read Naturally programs in the domain of reading fluency, moderate evidence to support the use of Read Naturally programs in the domain of general reading achievement, and promising evidence to support the use of Read Naturally programs in the domain of reading comprehension. The [overview](#) of research behind the Read Naturally strategy provides additional information.

Provide specific information about costs.

Product	Quantity	Item Cost	Subtotal
One Minute Reader book bundles		\$199.00 per level (use code 75offOMR to save 75%)	
One Minute Reader record sheets		\$9.00 each	
Personal CD players (not sold by Read Naturally)			
Shipping (approx. 10% of order)			
Total			

*See the Read Naturally [catalog](#) for more product information.