

About

Speed drills are a great way to help students build fluency. These speed drill worksheets align with Lesson 2 for each book in the Magic Adventures Teacher's Manual. This matches with pages 8-11 in the books.

There are many different ways to use these speed drill worksheets. Two methods are suggested below.



Instructions

◆ Speed Drill 1

1. Print the appropriate worksheet and distribute.
2. Allow students to practice reading the texts.
Address any comprehension issues the students might have.
3. Using a clock with a second hand, have students start reading the text at the same time.
4. Once students have finished reading the text, have them check the clock and record their time in the table provided.
5. Repeat this four times at once or over time. Encourage students read a little faster each time. Encourage them to skip over words they don't know.
6. Track students' reading times or chart their times to see if they have improved.

◆ Speed Drill 2

1. Print the appropriate worksheet and distribute.
2. Allow students to practice reading the texts.
Address any comprehension issues the students might have.
3. Using a clock with a second hand, give students a set amount of time (30 seconds for example) to read through the text.
4. After the time has expired, have students count the number of words that they were able to read within the given time. Have students record this number in the table provided.
5. Repeat this four times at once or over time. Encourage students read a little faster each time. Encourage them to skip over words they don't know.
6. Track students' reading times or chart their times to see if they have improved.

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- ◆ **Level 3: Dark's Hearts**
Story 1: Dark of the Earth (p. 8-11)
Total Words: 131

◆ **Instructions**

1. Read the text below.
2. Time yourself. Write your time in the table below.
3. Try to read a little faster each time you read.

Dark of the Earth

Ace	Are we ready to go?	Olivia	Jack? Bella? Where are you?
Bella	Yes, we must leave now. We must hurry.	Ace	I will turn on the light. The light doesn't work. That is very odd. i'll do a light spell.
Olivia	It will be scary in your world.	Olivia	Look at the clock. It is 1:00 in the afternoon. Why is it so dark?
Jack	I hope no one is hurt.	Ace	I don't know.
Bella	Oh, Jack! Do you think Mom and Dad are OK?	Olivia	And where are Jack and Bella? They are not here.
Jack	I hope so. Let's Hurry.	Ace	They are looking for their parents. They are worried about them.
Ace	We must hurry too. Jack and Bella are waiting.	Olivia	Let's go to their house.
Olivia	I'm worried. This will be dangerous. I hope everything will be OK.		

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◆ Level 3: Dark's Hearts

Story 2: Dark in the City of Lights (p. 8-11)

Total Words: 136

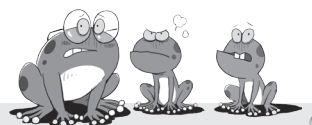
◆ Instructions

1. Read the text below.
2. Time yourself. Write your time in the table below.
3. Try to read a little faster each time you read.

Dark in the City of Lights

Bella	How does Popup work?	Mom	Let me out of here! I don't
Dad	It's easy. Say where you want to		want to turn to steam!
	go here.	Bella	Can that really happen, Dad?
Bella	Paris, France.	Dad	I don't think so. Take a look
Dad	Then, push this button.		outside. We are in Paris safely.
	Popup will pop up in Paris.	Mom	We're here. I don't believe it!
Jack	That's amazing! We can go	Mom	Eric, you are a bad.
	anywhere! You are a genius,		Don't scare me again.
	Dad!	Jack	Mom, calm down.
Mom	I hope this works. Your		We are safe in Paris.
	inventions often have problems.	Olivia	Now we need to find Dark.
Dad	We'll be fine.		Where is he?
	Nothing bad will happen.	Jack	Here come some people.
Mom	What if there is a problem.		Let's ask them.
Dad	We will turn to steam.		
Mom	Turn to steam!?		

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- ◆ **Level 3: Dark's Hearts**
Story 3: The Dark Woods (p. 8-11)
Total Words: 162

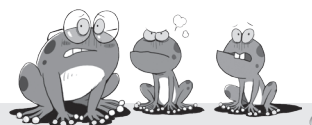
◆ **Instructions**

1. Read the text below.
2. Time yourself. Write your time in the table below.
3. Try to read a little faster each time you read.

The Dark Woods

Olivia	They're not here. Where are they?	Dad	This is hard work. But now the woods are nice and clean.
Bella	Let's hike into the woods. Maybe they're walking on the trail.	Bella	The woods look much better now.
Olivia	There's someone there. They have trash bags. What are they doing?	Mom	The plants and animals will be healthy.
Bella	Let's find out.	Jack	We'll take the last bags to the pile.
Bella	Jack!? What are you doing? Why do you have those trash bags?	Dad	We will return to the cabin. Come back soon.
Jack	Look at all this. We are cleaning up the trash.	Jack	Who is that!? What is he doing?
Mom	The trash will destroy the woods. Animals live in the woods. We must protect them.	Olivia	It's that man from the lake! He is back!
Bella	We will help you too.	Bella	He's throwing all the trash around! Stop him!
Olivia	Let's clean up the woods.	Jack	Hey! He is getting away. The trash is everywhere again. Now, we must clean up the woods one more time.

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◆ **Level 3: Dark's Hearts**
Story 4: Dark's Africa (p. 8-11)
Total Words: 155

◆ **Instructions**

1. Read the text below.
2. Time yourself. Write your time in the table below.
3. Try to read a little faster each time you read.

Dark's Africa

Olivia Spell of light, end this fright.
Jack His eyes! He has Dark's crystal. We need to follow him.
Olivia He's too dangerous, Jack. We need a better plan.
Bella Let's stay in Popup. We'll be safe in there. Let's wait for the morning.

Jack Do you think it's safe?
Bella There's still danger here. But we can see now. Look! There's a trail.
Olivia This trail may lead to a village. Come on!
Jack You are right. Do you think the crystal is there?

Bella The people don't look happy. They look angry.
Elder Who are you? Are you a witch? Are you hurting the animals?
Olivia I am a witch, but I am not hurting the animals.
Elder Take them away. They are lying. Witches are evil.

Jack We're in a prison. What are we going to do?
Bella We need to escape. Then, we can help the man with the crystal.
Olivia It's light outside. Let's be careful. Quick! Go through this hole. Don't make a sound.

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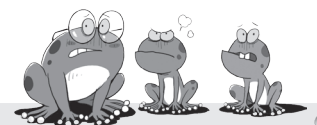
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◆ **Level 3: Dark's Hearts**
Story 5: Dark Ice (p. 8-11)
Total Words: 164

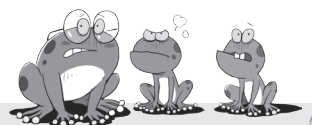
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1. Read the text below.
2. Time yourself. Write your time in the table below.
3. Try to read a little faster each time you read.

Dark Ice

Bella	The polar bear isn't chasing us now. I think we're safe.	Nastia	Oh, you're awake. The warm fire helped you. I knew it!
Jack	It's getting cold. Can you cast a spell again, Olivia?		Here, drink this hot cocoa.
Olivia	No, I can't. When we ran away, I dropped my magic powder.	Olivia	Where am I? Who are you?
Jack	What!? What are we going to do!?	Nastia	You're in the Arctic Russian Research Center. I'm Dr. Nastia Groke. What are you children doing out here?
			And look at your clothes. You are in the Arctic. You know that, right?
Bella	We must get back to Popup quickly. We will freeze out here. Come on. It's this way.	Olivia	Well, it's a long story.
Jack	No. I think it is this way.	Nastia	Good. Your friends are waking up. I found you just in time.
Olivia	Oh no! We're lost! I'm so cold. I can't walk anymore.	Jack	Ooooooh... Where are we? Are we dead?
Bella	Let's get close and keep each other warm.	Olivia	No, Jack. We're not dead. Dr. Groke saved us!
Olivia	I'm sorry, guys.	Jack	What? Who? Huh?

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◆ **Level 3: Dark's Hearts**
Story 6: Olivia's Big Fight (p. 8-11)
Total Words: 183

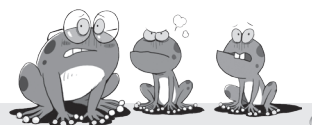
◆ **Instructions**

1. Read the text below.
2. Time yourself. Write your time in the table below.
3. Try to read a little faster each time you read.

Olivia's Big Fight

Jack	We were so close. We had Dark.	Ace	This is Dark's cave. Maybe there are more shadow men in here. Let's be careful.
Bella	We must do something quickly. Where did that shadow man take Dark?	Jack	Bella and I are ready. We have our flashlights.
	We must get him back.	Olivia	Dark's room is deep inside this cave. We have to go deeper.
Olivia	I don't know. Now Dark will escape. The shadow man is helping him. Dark really won this time.	Bella	I have a bad feeling about this.
Ace	You can't give up! Dark is still in the crystal. We have to get that crystal back.	Jack	Look! It's the crystal.
		Ace	Oh no! We're too late. Dark is not in the crystal. It's empty.
Jack	But where can we start? Magic Land is huge.	Olivia	He isn't in the cave. He isn't in the crystal. Dark is free and dangerous again.
Ace	Shadow men are not smart. He will take the crystal to Dark's old cave.	Ace	The king and queen of Magic Land will help. We have to talk to your parents.
Bella	The Crystal Cave! Of course. Let's go get Dark!		

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