

Polk County Schools

First Grade High Frequency Word List

First grade students are expected to know the 71 Kindergarten high frequency words and 143 additional high frequency words by the end of the school year. Students are asked to read these words aloud from a list. Words are scored as being correct if they are recognized and pronounced accurately and quickly. Mastering increasing number of high frequency words is evidence that students are moving toward becoming fluent readers.

The emphasis on these basic words is to promote reading success for students by establishing the opportunity to acquire vocabulary that is encountered consistently in printed material.

Acquiring a large reading vocabulary is the foundation for the comprehension of printed text. This is a key to reading success.

First Nine Weeks	Second Nine Weeks	Third Nine Weeks	Fourth Nine Weeks
1. down	1. gives	1. door	1. nothing
2. got	2. night	2. kind	2. thought
3. up	3. people	3. made	3. cold
4. and	4. says	4. who	4. sure
5. in	5. when	5. would	5. both
6. oh	6. your	6. also	6. head
7. yes	7. eat	7. know	7. name
8. make	8. from	8. moved	
9. they	9. gone	9. only	
10. walk	10. grows	10. room	
11. help	11. or	11. should	
12. now	12. two	12. those	
13. play	13. be	13. write	
14. too	14. good	14. over	
15. want	15. Mr.	15. town	
16. don't	16. need	16. world	
17. of	17. our	17. different	
18. so	18. right	18. old	
19. buy	19. saw	19. water	
20. that	20. time	20. years	
21. very	21. try	21. because	
22. where	22. away	22. most	

23. day	23. food	23. picture	
24. every	24. funny	24. why	
25. her	25. hide	25. always	
26. said	26. how	26. does	
27. was	27. many	27. even	
28. with	28. some	28. pretty	
29. could	29. their	29. say	
30. friends	30. air	30. sound	
31. new	31. animals	31. any	
32. put	32. around	32. took	
33. she	33. fly	33. again	
34. use	34. live	34. high	
	35. soon	35. love	
	36. turns	36. opened	
	37. city	37. another	
	38. house	38. change	
	39. sometimes		
	40. take		
	41. there		
	42. about		
	43. by		
	44. family		
	45. grew		
	46. read		
	47. work		
	48. writing		
	49. find		
	50. follow		
	51. found		
	52. four		
	53. full		
	54. these		
	55. way		
	56. were		
	57. each		
	58. great		
	59. other		
	60. place		
	61. talk		
	62. together		
	63. won't		
	64. isn't		

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