

# CORE Phoneme Deletion Test

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Follow the format used in the Practice Items to administer the items for each level. Mark “+” to indicate a correct response or “-” to indicate an incorrect response. Write down incorrect responses, but do not correct the student. If the student cannot complete any of the items in Parts A or B, discontinue testing. If the student cannot do at least two items in Part C, discontinue testing. Remember that this is an auditory assessment. Students do not see the items. The Correct Response column tells how the student’s answer should sound, not how it should be spelled.

## Part A: Initial Sound (Late Kindergarten, Grade 1)

Practice Items

Say *cat* ... now say it without the /k/ \_\_\_\_ (at)

Say *table* ... now say it without the /t/ \_\_\_\_ (able)

TEST ITEM	CORRECT RESPONSE		
1. (t)ower	our	(+) (-)	_____
2. (c)old	old	(+) (-)	_____
3. (b)ake	ache	(+) (-)	_____
4. (s)ize	eyes	(+) (-)	_____
5. (l)ow	owe	(+) (-)	_____

## Part B: Final Sound (Grade 1)

Practice Items

Say *seat* ... now say it without the /t/ \_\_\_\_ (sea)

Say *rake* ... now say it without the /k/ \_\_\_\_ (ray)

TEST ITEM	CORRECT RESPONSE		
6. to(n)e	toe	(+) (-)	_____
7. droo(p)	drew	(+) (-)	_____
8. ti(m)e	tie	(+) (-)	_____
9. ro(d)e	row	(+) (-)	_____
10. pla(c)e	play	(+) (-)	_____

Items Correct \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_

## Part C: First Sound of a Consonant Blend (Grade 2)

Practice Items

Say *slip* ... now say it without the /s/ \_\_\_\_ (lip)

Say *cloud* ... now say it without the /k/ \_\_\_\_ (loud)

TEST ITEM	CORRECT RESPONSE		
11. (f)reight	rate	(+) (-)	_____
12. (p)layed	laid	(+) (-)	_____
13. (s)weet	wheat	(+) (-)	_____
14. (b)reak	rake	(+) (-)	_____
15. (s)pill	pill	(+) (-)	_____

## Part D: Embedded Sound of a Consonant Blend (Grade 3)

Practice Items

Say *slip* ... now say it without the /l/ \_\_\_\_ (sip)

Say *play* ... now say it without the /l/ \_\_\_\_ (pay)

TEST ITEM	CORRECT RESPONSE		
16. b(l)end	bend	(+) (-)	_____
17. t(w)in	tin	(+) (-)	_____
18. g(r)ow	go	(+) (-)	_____
19. be(s)t	bet	(+) (-)	_____
20. li(f)t	lit	(+) (-)	_____