

CORE Phonological Segmentation Test

Name _____ Grade _____ Date _____

Directions: Have students use different-colored blocks to show the number of words, syllables, or phonemes in the Practice Item for each part of this test. Then administer each part of the test. Mark “+” to indicate a correct response or “-” to indicate an incorrect response. Record students’ exact responses on the blank lines.

Part A: Sentences into Words

Practice Item: John likes pizza.

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| 1. Father called. | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 2. What time is it? | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 3. How much does an apple cost? | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 4. I have to go to sleep soon. | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 5. On Sunday I will go swimming. | (+) (-) | _____ |

Part B: Words into Syllables

Practice Items: cup-cake; su-per-man

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| 6. cowboy (cow-boy) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 7. rabbit (rab-bit) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 8. yesterday (yes-ter-day) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 9. party (par-ty) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 10. helicopter (hel-i-cop-ter) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 11. basketball (bas-ket-ball) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 12. playground (play-ground) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 13. caterpillar (cat-er-pil-lar) | (+) (-) | _____ |

Part C: Words into Phonemes

Practice Items: time (t-ī-m); shop (sh-o-p)

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| 14. keep (k-ē-p) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 15. bag (b-a-g) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 16. thumb (th-u-m) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 17. night (n-ī-t) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 18. rock (r-o-k) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 19. itch (i-tch) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 20. head (h-e-d) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 21. short (sh-or-t) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 22. steak (s-t-ā-k) | (+) (-) | _____ |
| 23. clown (k-l-ou-n) | (+) (-) | _____ |

Items Correct _____