



Transitioning to **DIBELS Next**[®]

DIBELS Next is the current version of DIBELS, replacing the previous version, DIBELS 6th Edition. DIBELS Next includes a series of research-based enhancements that increase the ease of use as well as the reliability and validity of the assessment. We strongly encourage you to begin your transition to DIBELS Next today.

If you are new to DIBELS, see our “Getting Started With DIBELS” brochure available from <http://dibels.org/>.

New in DIBELS Next[®]

- All new forms and passages
- Improved, clearer directions for assessor and students
- **NEW** easier-to-administer measure of early phonemic awareness, First Sound Fluency. First Sound Fluency replaces Initial Sound Fluency.
- **NEW** measure based on maze procedures, Daze, added as an additional indicator of comprehension for third through sixth grade.
- Larger format for scoring booklets to facilitate scoring and the recording of response patterns.
- Retell integrated into the Oral Reading Fluency measure
- New benchmark goals and cut points for risk.

DIBELS Next[®] ***Print Version***

DIBELS Next is available to purchase from our publisher, Voyager/Sopris Learning. (<http://www.soprislearning.com/DIBELS/>)

Benefits of using the published version include:

- Save personnel time: No need to print and copy the materials yourself
- Free up resources for instruction and implementation
- Manage materials more easily: Let Sopris organize the materials for you
- Cost-effective: In terms of time and print costs, the published materials are extremely economical
- Increased ease of use: A new flip-book format for administration directions and student materials
- Materials are now in color

DIBELS Next[®] ***Download Version***

The free download version of DIBELS Next is available at <https://dibels.org/next/index.php>. This version includes all the content of the published version. When preparing to print the download version, please note that the scoring booklets now use legal-sized paper to provide more room on the page.



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DIBELS Next[®] for Mobile Devices

DIBELS Next is available for mobile devices from our partner, Amplify.

mCLASS:DIBELS Next helps teachers:

- Streamline assessment administration on most touch-interface mobile devices with a supported browser, even without internet connectivity
- Understand the assessment data through easy-to-interpret reports
- Translate class- and student-level reports into individualized instruction for each student
- Use DIBELS Next data to link to targeted activities and interventions from popular core reading programs

DIBELS Next[®] Training from DMG

Our high-quality training options now include support for individuals or organizations that need training on DIBELS Next. Our DIBELS Next workshop options are available to support individuals that are transitioning to DIBELS Next or are new to using DIBELS. Our DIBELS Next training may be accessed through:

- Our premiere, author-led **DIBELS Training Institutes**
- **Training Events** offered in the western, central, and eastern regions of the United States
- **On-site Workshops** custom-designed for an individual organization's needs
- **Online Training** for those unable to attend a training in person

– *For more information about DIBELS Next training options, please visit <http://dibels.org/training.html>*

DIBELS Mentors:

You can receive updated training materials by attending a DIBELS Next Essential Workshop or Transition Workshop held by DMG.

DIBELS[®] Data Management and Reporting

Providing quick and immediate feedback is a necessary component of effective assessment. Using a data management service is optional but highly recommended. These services allow you to enter and manage your DIBELS scores and receive automated reports. There are multiple data management services that handle DIBELS data. Some recommended examples are listed below.

- **DIBELSnet[®]** (Dynamic Measurement Group) – <https://dibels.net/>
A new reporting service from the authors of DIBELS.
- **mCLASS[®]** (Amplify) – <http://www.amplify.com/>
For users of Amplify's mCLASS:DIBELS Next mobile device assessment solution.



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DIBELS Next has retained the best of DIBELS, but has been updated to increase ease of use and accuracy of results.

<p>DIBELS Next still:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprises brief, standardized, repeated indicators of foundational early literacy skills • Can be used for universal screening, benchmark assessment, and progress monitoring • Can be used within an RtI model • Is available for free download or purchase 	<p>DIBELS Next is based on new research conducted over 4 years on over 25,000 students in 90 schools throughout the United States.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New readability formula and new research on reading passages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Less passage variability – Linkage to DIBELS 6th Edition performance • New reliability data on all measures • New validity data on all measures • New research on benchmark goals 	<p>New features of DIBELS Next include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New, more clear and concise directions and scoring rules • All new reading passages for all grades • New arrangement of items to increase reliability of scores • New early reader font for grades K–2 • Inclusion of response patterns • New user-friendly format • New streamlined look and feel • New comprehension measure
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Changes to the DIBELS Next Measures

Measures	Modifications	Benefits
First Sound Fluency (FSF)	First Sound Fluency replaces Initial Sound Fluency (ISF) as a measure of early phonemic awareness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pictures, no guessing • Continuous timing • Increased reliability
Phoneme Segmentation Fluency (PSF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New directions and layout • New arrangement of items (test words) • Checklist of common response patterns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased ease of administering and scoring • Increased consistency of scores • Enhanced intervention planning
Letter Naming Fluency (LNF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New font • New directions and layout • New arrangement of items (letters) • Checklist of common response patterns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More student-friendly • Increased ease of administering and scoring • Increased consistency of scores • Enhanced intervention planning
Nonsense Word Fluency (NWF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New font • New directions and layout • New arrangement of items (nonsense words) • Checklist of common response patterns • New score: Whole Words Read (WWR) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More student-friendly • Increased ease of administering and scoring • Increased consistency of scores • Enhanced intervention planning • Enhanced interpretation of scores
DIBELS Oral Reading Fluency (DORF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New font • New directions and layout • All new reading passages • Checklist of common response patterns • New scores: errors and retell 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More student-friendly • Increased ease of administering and scoring • More equivalent passages • Enhanced intervention planning • Enhanced interpretation
Daze	A new DIBELS maze measure of reading comprehension for Grades 3–6, which can be group or individually administered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional measure of comprehension • Provides additional information for intermediate students

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