

Fluency Scoops Answer Key

Correct fluency phrases to practice (read in order):

- Cone 1 → red hat → big cat → sat on mat → nap in sun
- Cone 2 → hot log → fat pig → dig in mud → hop to bed
- Cone 3 → ten men → win a pin → sit and grin → sip the cup

Challenge Extension: Answers will vary, but phrases should be simple, decodable, and make sense. Example: "pat the bat," "cat in bag," "pig can sit."

Teacher Notes / Guide

- **Purpose:** Phrase Scoops build **automaticity and fluency** with connected text while keeping practice engaging and playful. Students learn to decode, reread, and expand fluency gradually with each added "scoop."
- **Implementation:**
 - Teachers may draw three cones on the board or give worksheets with circles (scoops) stacked.
 - Start by chorally reading the first scoop of each cone, then let students add scoops while rereading the entire cone.
 - Encourage rhythm and smoothness, almost like chanting.
- **Fluency Tip:** Add a timer for rereads. Students can measure how fast they read Cone 1, then Cone 2, then Cone 3.
- **Differentiation:**
 - For struggling readers: Focus on cones with only 2 scoops at first.
 - For advanced readers: Challenge them to create a 5-scoop cone with longer phrases (e.g., "frog on a log," "trip to the shop").
- **Assessment:** Listen for smooth progression when students reread phrases in order. Check if challenge extension phrases are decodable and logical.