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## Partner Pace Challenge

**Directions:** Work with a partner. Partner A reads the passage **aloud for one minute** while Partner B times and tracks errors (skipped words, substitutions, repeated words, or hesitations). Switch roles after the first read. Record the number of words read, errors made, and words read correctly. Repeat the passage a second time and compare progress. After practice, complete the comprehension questions individually.

The marketplace bustled with energy as merchants called out their prices and waved to passing customers. Stalls overflowed with bright fabrics, shiny jewelry, and baskets filled with fresh vegetables. The scent of roasted chestnuts drifted through the air, mixing with the spice of cinnamon from a nearby stand. Children tugged at their parents' sleeves, begging for sweet honey cakes displayed behind glass. Musicians played cheerful tunes on flutes and drums, adding rhythm to the busy scene. In the middle of the square, a juggler tossed colorful balls high into the air, drawing claps and laughter from the crowd. Travelers passing through the town paused to watch, grateful for a moment of joy before continuing their journeys.

### Partner Tracking Sheet

- **Reader's Name:**  
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- **Time (1 minute):**  
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- **Words Read:**  
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- **Errors (mark ✓ for each):**
  - Skipped word
  - Substitution
  - Repetition
  - Hesitation
- **Words Correct:**  
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### • Goal for Next Round:

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### Questions

1. What items were being sold in the marketplace?
2. What smells are described in the passage?
3. Why were children tugging at their parents' sleeves?
4. How did the juggler affect the crowd?