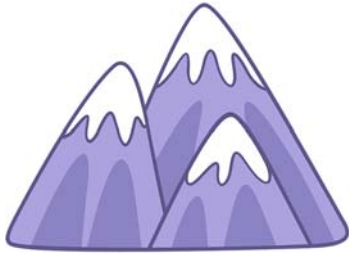


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Cold And Hot Read

Directions: Read the passage **aloud the first time** (this is your *Cold Read*). Do not worry about mistakes, just try your best. Track your time, accuracy, and expression for the Cold Read. Practice the passage silently, then aloud two more times, focusing on **pacing, smoothness, and expression**. Read it aloud again for your **Hot Read** (final reread). Record your time, accuracy, and expression again. Compare your Cold Read and Hot Read results. What improved? Answer the comprehension questions at the end.

The mountain trail twisted upward through thick pines, leading to a ridge that overlooked the valley. Hikers stopped along the way to catch their breath, their boots crunching on loose gravel. A stream crossed the path, tumbling over rocks and filling the air with cool mist. Above, the sky stretched wide and blue, broken only by the call of a soaring eagle. At the ridge, wildflowers bloomed in bright colors, clinging to the rocky ground. Travelers gazed down at the villages below, where smoke curled gently from chimneys. The long climb was tiring, but the view from the top made every step worthwhile.

Reading Attempt	Time (seconds)	Errors (skipped, repeated, substituted words)	Expression (1-5)	Smoothness (1-5)
Cold Read				
Hot Read				

After completing both reads, reflect:

What changed between my first and final reading?

Questions

1. What natural features are described on the mountain trail?
2. What animals or sounds are mentioned in the passage?
3. How do the hikers feel during the climb, and what makes it worth it?
4. Which details help create a vivid picture of the view from the ridge?