

## Sentence Stack Fluency Answer Key

### Model Sentences

1. I can learn new things every day.
2. Birds fly across the bright sky.
3. We will go hiking tomorrow morning.
4. The puppy plays with a red ball.
5. My teacher helps me read better each week.
6. Sunlight warms the green garden in spring.

### Teacher Notes / Guide

**Objective:** To help students build **sentence fluency and pacing** by gradually increasing the complexity of sentences through word stacking. This activity strengthens **automaticity, rhythm, and breath control** during oral reading.

### Implementation Tips:

- Model one full pyramid first. Emphasize that each added word should sound natural—no long pauses or restarts.
- Have students **track with a finger** as they climb down the pyramid to maintain flow.
- Encourage rereading until each sentence can be spoken smoothly and confidently.

### Differentiation Ideas:

- For emerging readers: Use shorter or simpler pyramids (4-5 lines).
- For advanced readers: Have them **create their own sentence pyramids** using content vocabulary from science, social studies, or literature.

**Extension Activity:** Have students pair up. One reads a pyramid aloud while the other listens for **smooth pacing and tone**, then switches roles.

**Assessment Tip:** Look for consistent pacing, smooth blending between words, and expression in the final read. Record progress across multiple sessions to track fluency growth.