

Reading Stick

Purpose: Students will follow words from left to right and from top to bottom on the printed page.

Materials: craft sticks, markers

Activity:

1. Give each student a craft stick and make sure markers are accessible to everyone. Tell students that they are going to make Reading Sticks.
2. Have students color and draw whatever they want on the sticks to make them their own.
3. Explain to students that they will use the Reading Sticks to point to each word as it is read.
4. Have students use their new Reading Sticks to practice reading from left to right and top to bottom during center time, small group work, or guided reading.



You can record an individual student's understanding of this activity by checking the appropriate column for level of mastery and noting the date on which the activity took place.

Student's Name	<u>Developed</u> ***	<u>Developing</u> **	<u>Minimal</u> *	Date

- *** Student correctly follows words from left to right and top to bottom.
- ** Student follows words from left to right and top to bottom with help.
- * Student does not follow words from left to right or top to bottom.