

# Frequently Asked Questions

See below for answers to your Ready to Rise<sup>™</sup> questions! If you cannot find what you are looking for here, <u>please reach out to us</u>. Our Customer Support team will be happy to help.

## Materials and Training

#### When should materials be ordered?

To ensure timely delivery, materials should be ordered as soon as the decision has been made to move forward with Ready to Rise.

#### Are materials available electronically?

Some materials, such as the Standard Sound Cards, Trick Word Flash Cards, and posters are available with access to the FUN HUB<sup>®</sup>. The Ready to Rise Teacher Guide and Student Practice books, however, are not available electronically.

## Is there a training option? How much does it cost?

The Ready to Rise Program Workshop prepares educators to teach the Ready to Rise program. Please reach out to a Customer Support team member to help you find the best option for you or your team. Public Ready to Rise Program Workshops are also available, and you can view and register for these \$185 trainings here.

# I'm already a Fundations teacher. Do I need to attend the Ready to Rise Program Workshop to teach the Ready to Rise program?

Any individual with Fundations teaching experience who has attended an Introductory or Launch Workshop will already have the background knowledge and experience to lead Ready to Rise. Other educators and tutors can be prepared to implement this targeted instruction with the Teacher Guide and the Ready to Rise Program Workshop.

# **Program Overview**

## How is this different from a typical Fundations lesson?

The Ready to Rise program helps teachers organize for and accomplish accelerated learning by identifying a small number of key foundational skills essential for the next school year's success, focusing on the mastery of those key skills, and assessing students to determine progress toward that mastery. The program provides laser-focus instruction on the beginning Units of the next Fundations Level with additional application and practice.

# Can I have students read outside decodable text during the *Fluency and Application* component of the program?

The *Fluency and Application* component of Ready to Rise already includes decodable, controlled text that aligns to the concepts taught in Fundations, as well as other intentional, controlled practice tasks. Additional decodables or other readable texts can be utilized for the group and Level outside of the 30-minute lesson as appropriate.

#### Is there a Rising Kindergarteners program?

No, not at this time. Fundations does have a year-long <u>Level Pre-K Activity Set</u>, which provides an introduction, or "pre-dose," to the letter-sound and writing skills that will be taught to mastery in the Fundations Level K program.

#### Can I do Ready to Rise in both the summer and the fall with the same students?

This is possible but would be a site-level determination based on student participation and need after reviewing data such as the Ready to Rise pre- and post-assessments.

# **Program Implementation**

### Is Ready to Rise for whole or small-group instruction?

Ready to Rise is recommended for a small group size of ideally 3-4 (and up to 6) students. Larger groups may require time or lesson modifications.

#### Is there something I can do in summer school to support Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders?

It is important to keep in mind that Fundations Level 2 is a *prerequisite* for Level 3. Therefore, it is important to get through as much of the Level 2 curriculum as possible. If you have a group of Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> graders who all ended in the same Unit of the Fundations Level 2 curriculum, they can pick up where they left off. If the last Level 2 Unit is unknown, or your group ended in different places, pick up instruction from Level 2 Unit 6.

Then, you will extend the regular 30-minute Fundations lesson, and include an additional 20-30 minutes of Automaticity and Fluency practice. By extending the lesson, more time can be spent on Storytime and Dictation Activities. Additional fluency practice can be found in the Fundations Fluency Kit 2.

	Level 2 Standard Lesson addressing Word Study & Transcription Skills	Fluency
75-90 min lesson	45 + mins	30 mins
60 min lesson	40 mins	20 mins

# **Ongoing Administrator Support**

### Where can I find more information about the Ready to Rise Program?

Please watch a <u>recording of our overview webinar</u>, explore the <u>Ready to Rise Learning Community</u>, or go to our <u>website</u>.

#### Is there place for teachers currently using the program to find resources and tips?

Yes! Please visit the Ready to Rise Learning Community.

#### Is there any data regarding the use of this program?

Wilson Language Training is in the process of identifying collaborators to study the impact of R2R this summer and in the fall. If your district is interested in a collaboration, please reach out to Julia Carlson at jcarlson@wilsonlanguage.com.

## **Useful Links**

#### **NASBE (National Association of State Boards of Education)**

Addressing Learning Loss through Acceleration: A Conversation with David Steiner

## **The 74**

<u>Steiner & Wilson: Case Study — Some Tough Questions, and Some Answers, About Fighting COVID Slide While Accelerating Student Learning</u>

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