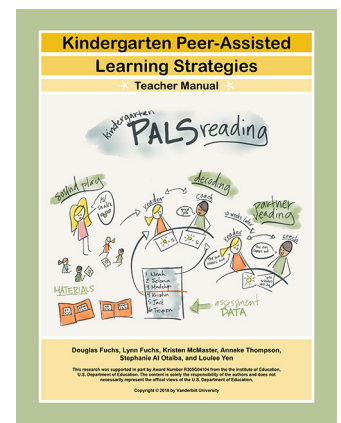


PROGRAM BASICS

KPALS Reading Intervention

Developed at Vanderbilt University



A. Overview:

1. The program focuses on phonemic awareness, letter-sound recognition, sight word reading, and decoding. These critical beginning reading skills are known to be the foundation to long-term reading achievement.
2. PALS begins with four introductory lessons in which the teacher leads students in brief phonological awareness activities. Six training lessons teach students to implement K-PALS activities with a partner. The remaining lessons comprise Teacher-Directed Sound Play and Decoding activities.
3. Each K-PALS lesson begins with a brief teacher-led “Sound Play” game that addresses rhyming, isolating first and last sounds, blending and segmenting, followed by teacher modeling of the corresponding Decoding Lesson. Students then work in pairs to practice letter-sounds, sight words, decode-able words, and sentences

B. Program Details:

1. Materials include Sound Play Reference Cards, Decoding Command Cards, Decoding lesson sheets, Point sheet, and Alphabet picture guide.
2. Activities have the teacher as Coach and students are Readers to model good coaching behaviors and Teacher is Reader and all students are Coach to provide coaching practice.
3. K-PALS consists of 88 lessons and we recommend completing a minimum of 72 lessons over 20 weeks in 20 – 30 minute sessions, 3 to 4 times a week.
4. The additional 16 lessons are available for teachers who wish to continue implementing K-PALS beyond the 20-week period.
5. The Student Rewards and Recognition Program awards points for good class and coaching behaviors.
6. Authors: Douglas Fuchs, Lynn Fuchs, Kristen McMaster, Anneke Thompson, Stephanie Al Otaiba, and Loulee Yen
7. 2016 Revised Edition

C. Costs:

1. K-PALS Manual 2016 Revised Edition Unit Price: (100-RM) \$40.00
2. K-PALS Manual with CD 2016 Revised Edition Unit Price: (100-RCD) \$40.00
3. K-PALS Manual with Pen Drive 2016 Revised Edition Unit Price: (100-RPD) \$40.00

D. Student Rewards / Recognition:

1. The Student Rewards and Recognition Program awards points for good class and coaching behaviors.

PALS Kindergarten Reading Program has been recognized by Teacher’s College at Columbia University as being a “cost-effective early reading intervention program”.

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