Technology-Integrated Approach for Growing Read-Aloud Skills

Anna P Gudauskas

St. Pauls High School, NC, the U.S.

Content:

- 1. Language (English as a Second Language)
- 2. Goals
- 3. Benefits
- 4. Results



Effective communication relies on understanding and being understood.

Can I go to <u>de batroom</u>?^{3/23}





Improve pronunciation and reading skills with the **Reading Coach** feature

in Flip.com



Language is a way to





explore the world and expand appreciation of diverse cultures.

Language is a necessity



for survival, belonging, and self-esteem.

There is no time to waste -**BICS** and CALP.



Profiles

Fernando is a recently arrived; struggles with pronunciation; is overwhelmed with the amount of new information in the new language.



Jonathan has been in US schools for the last 2 years; he is a strong reader and a hard working student; avoids speaking due to pronunciation concerns.

Yasir has been in US schools for the last 8 years. He demonstrates proficiency in reading. However, spelling is challenging for him. He is also quiet-spoken and finds it difficult to read longer words.

Raul has been in US schools since Kindergarten for 11 years. He shows strong reading comprehension and is a confident speaker. However, he struggles with spelling and reading smoothly out loud.



• improve pronunciation;

comfortable speaking to a computer for the Speaking portion of the annual Language Proficiency test.





AFTER





BEFORE

- 1. take turns reading out loud;
- 2. choral/echo reading with the instructor,
- 3. listen to the computer read in Google Translate and practice;
- check pronunciation as you see how much you can write in a Google Document with Voice Typing;
- 5. listen to my recording and record a video/audio of your reading in FlipGrid.com.





AFTER



- Simultaneously practice reading skills with the Reading Coach feature in Flip.com.
- 2. Receive instant feedback
- 3. Listen
- 4. Practice again
- 5. Check 5 suggested words
- 6. Practice 5 words
- 7. Try reading again for a better score
- 8. Ask for help or offer help to others
- 9. Compete with your friends





Saved time



decreased embarrassment

14/23





immediate feedback

 \leftarrow

repeated exposure





Fernando, Jonathan, and **Yasir** became more confident speakers and presenters.



Students became

more sociable, as the assignment encouraged them to seek assistance from peers and offer support to others.



Raul learned to pay attention to the punctuation marks for pauses; started to pay closer attention to the order of letters in the words for improved spelling; his listeners increased understanding due to his more robust enunciation; he exited the ESL program.





A Growth Mindset -**Practice makes** progress. Learning is doing.

Speaking on ACCESS Test

(annual language proficiency test)

2024 versus 2023

9TH	19/27 (70%) IMPROVED	BY 27%
10TH	13/21 (62%) IMPROVED	BY 21%
11-12TH	14/29 (48%) IMPROVED	BY 50%