



Riverdeep's *Destination Reading*[®] and Reading First

Reading First provides assistance to states and school districts to establish scientifically based reading programs in kindergarten through third grade classrooms to ensure that all children learn to read well by the end of third grade.

Destination Reading is the complete supplemental reading software for districts striving to meet the demands of Reading First.

Reading First Requirements	<i>Destination Reading</i> Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading First focuses on grades K-3 and the purchase of scientifically based reading materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Destination Reading</i> is a supplemental K-3 reading program based on scientific research by the National Reading Panel and NICHHD
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading First requires that all core and supplemental/intervention materials be based on the five scientifically based elements of reading instruction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Destination Reading</i> is based on the five core elements of reading instruction identified by the National Reading Panel
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHONEMIC AWARENESS—five units in Course I of <i>Destination Reading</i> teach the skill of phonemic awareness directly and systematically. <i>Destination Reading</i> is the only online reading program that offers a full unit on Emergent Literacy PHONICS—<i>Destination Reading</i> teaches phonics concepts explicitly and systematically throughout Course I (Prekindergarten to first grade) and continues this instruction in Course II (second and third grades) with more advanced word study VOCABULARY—<i>Destination Reading</i> teaches vocabulary through a number of techniques that research has shown to be effective. It presents some vocabulary directly and explicitly in advance of reading a text. It also presents vocabulary in the context of text itself FLUENCY—<i>Destination Reading</i> provides a large number of opportunities to read text with different types of support. Children can click on single words to hear them read or they can click the green dot to hear the entire passage. Children also practice automatic word recognition through a variety of activities that present sight words and phonics skills COMPREHENSION—<i>Destination Reading</i> asks children to connect the text to their own experiences, to formulate questions from the text, to monitor their comprehension while reading, to use graphic and semantic organizers, and to answer questions after reading 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading First requires increased teacher professional development to ensure that all teachers have the skills they need to teach scientifically based instructional programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Destination Reading</i> comes with professional development designed to help teachers understand the five basic elements of reading instruction in the context of <i>Destination Reading</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading First provides increased teacher professional development in assessment to ensure that all teachers have the skills to use required screening, diagnostic, and classroom-based assessments to measure where students are and to monitor their progress. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Riverdeep professional development provides training in the use of the Learning Management System which includes assessments, prescriptive lessons, and reports designed to identify gaps in a student's learning

