

Sight Words: Flashcards with 3-Second Delay (Ferkis, Belfiore, & Skinner, 1997).

The tutor has a deck of 5 flashcards with sight words. Prior to the session, the tutor sets a session criterion for mastery: e.g., the student will name all sight words in the deck correctly 3 times in a row. The session opens with the tutor saying to the student "We are going to practice some words." The tutor shows each flashcard to the student with the prompt, "Look at this word and say the word." If the student responds correctly within 3 seconds, the tutor says, "Yes, the word is [word]." If the student responds incorrectly, the tutor says, "No, the word is [word]. Say [word]." If the student hesitates for longer than 3 seconds, the tutor says, "The word is [word]. Say [word]." When all flashcards have been presented, the tutor shuffles the cards and repeats. When the student attains the mastery criterion, the tutor repeats the above procedures with a new deck of 5 sight words.

Ferkis, M. A., Belfiore, P. J., & Skinner, C. H. (1997). The effects of response repetitions on sight word acquisition for students with mild disabilities. Journal of Behavioral Education, 7, 307-324.