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FAST FORWARD OPTIONS FOR LANGUAGE, AUDITORY SKILLS, MEMORY, AND READING

BASICS - Ages 4 to 6 years

Fast ForWord Language Basics software is a series of computer-delivered exercises for young children, four to six years old, that uses fun activities to develop the basic skills necessary for language and reading development.

Fast ForWord Language Basics consists of three exercises that develop visual attention and auditory discrimination skills as well as sustained auditory attention. Through the use of patented technology this program improves:

- Sound sequencing skills
- Fine motor skills
- Hand-eye coordination
- Pattern recognition
- Color/Shape identification

As a precursor to the **Fast ForWord Language** product, it also enhances a young student's ability to become familiar with computer skills and techniques.

LANGUAGE -Ages 5 to 12 years OR MIDDLE TO HIGH SCHOOL - Ages 12 to adult

These computer-delivered exercises are designed for students who are struggling with language, memory, or reading and need to **develop the cognitive skills necessary for successful reading and learning**. Studies have shown that these exercises can quickly move students toward grade level in the skills essential to learning to read, helping them achieve **gains in approximately 6 to 12 weeks**.

Fast ForWord Language software:

- Improves memory** by having the student hold a statement or question in working memory while retrieving picture-concept associations from long-term memory.
- Improves attention** by developing the ability to focus on tasks and ignore distractions.
- Strengthens processing** skills so that students can see images and distinguish sounds quickly enough to discriminate their difference.
- Develops sequencing** skills through exercises that require the use of word order to comprehend sentences and help identify missing parts.

LANGUAGE TO READING - Ages 6 to adult

Fast ForWord Language to Reading software is a series of computer-delivered exercises for students who are struggling with reading, memory, language or auditory skills necessary to

become better listeners and readers.

Fast ForWord Language to Reading software:

Builds memory skills through exercises that task both working and long-term memory.

Improves a student's concentration and ability to focus their **attention** on the tasks before them and ignore distractions.

Develops auditory, visual and linguistic **processing** of orally presented words, sentences and stories for meaning and comprehension and improves decoding of written words.

Develops sequencing skills (a cognitive skill that relies on memory, attention and processing) through exercises that require utilization of word order to comprehend complex statements, multi-step instructions and respond following a specified sequence of actions

READING - Preschool to Grade 5 reading levels

Fast ForWord to Reading software is a suite of products that **marries cognitive skill development to reading skill development** through computer delivered exercises that strengthen the cognitive processes **in the context of reading skills validated by the National Reading Panel and the Reading First mandate.**

Fast ForWord to Reading software -

Strengthens working, short-term and long-term **memory**, essential for word recognition, comprehension of complex sentences, and remembering instructions.

Improves student concentration and **attention** so they can focus on tasks and ignore distractions.

Strengthens processing skills so that students see images and distinguish sounds quickly enough to discriminate their differences, essential for phonemic awareness and reading fluency

Improves **sequencing**, a cognitive skill that relies on memory, attention, and processing and is essential for phonics, word fluency, reading and oral comprehension.

Fast ForWord Programs are available through Parent-Child Services Group, Inc. by calling (865) 584-5558. Pre-testing to determine appropriate levels of programming is necessary prior to beginning Fast ForWord Programs.