Engaging Ways to Read

Echo

Cloze

Fill in the

Choral



Duet



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Echo	1)Teacher reads a word, phrase, or sentence 2)Students "echo" read the word, phrase, or sentence •Useful for building fluency and expression •Beginning Readers: Fade as students grow into reading skills •Older Readers: Use to introduce difficult words
Cloze	 1)Teacher begins to read selection 2)Pause and delete "meaningful" words or a portion of a sentence. 3)Have students read the deleted word or phrase. Beginning Readers: Use for additional practice Older Readers: Use when you want to read something quickly and have everyone attending
Choral	 Teacher asks students to point to a certain word in the passage. Teacher gives a prompt like, "Ready, read." Students read all together, either with (only if needed) or without the teacher voice.
Duet	Assign each student a partner of differing levels. 1)Choose something that is a little bit "too hard" for one of the students. 2)Two partners begin reading together. "Teacher" reads while pointing with his or her finger, at a normal speed, with expression and following punctuation. •Useful for students with some reading ability but who are reading hesitantly, word for word, or with no expression.
Partner	Assign each student a partner close to their same level. 1)Reader whisper-reads to partner. •For Narrative Text: alternate by sentence, page, or time •For Informational Text: alternate by paragraph (Read, Stop, Respond) 2)Coach helps to correct errors: Ask, "Can you figure out this word?" Or say, "This word is What word?" and then the reader rereads the sentence. •Teach students how to work together: Look, Lean, and Whisper, or Look, Lean, Listen, and Whisper. •Change partnerships occasionally, every 3-6 weeks.
Whisper	1)Tell students to read a certain amount and to reread material if they finish early; they each read separately, but whisper so that you can tell they're reading. 2)Monitor students' reading 3)Have individuals whisper-read to you