

PLATO® Focus Early Reading Intervention

- Provides explicit, systematic instruction

Supports beginning and emerging readers

Engages students with oral, visual, verbal, and kinesthetic learning

Adapts for students with mixed abilities

Facilitates self-paced, differentiated instruction

Meets Reading First requirements





“I can tell you that the students have seen dramatic growth using PLATO Focus. Kids who entered my program unable to read one word are now reading at an end-of-first-grade level because their phonics and phonemic awareness are that much better.”

—Roz Craig, special education teacher, Hopatcong Boroughs Schools, Hopatcong, New Jersey

Many students are identified for special education programs because of low literacy skills. Early intervention programs can diminish special education referrals and can help learners develop a solid foundation for future success.

The PLATO® Focus Reading Intervention provides systematic, explicit early reading instruction supported with professional development. This multi-sensory program emphasizes phonemic awareness and teaches the sound-spelling relationships of the 45 phonemes.

Teacher-directed instruction

PLATO Focus features a classroom toolkit for whole- and small-group instruction. Teachers model effective reading strategies and provide instructional clues. Each phoneme has its own folder with teachers’ guides and instructional materials including:

- Phonics and phonemic awareness activities
- Vocabulary development lessons
- Spelling and handwriting connections
- Literature samples and lesson extensions

Engaging instructional software

PLATO Focus software lessons extend classroom instruction and provide individual practice. An animated guide helps students complete reading and language activities with verbal and visual clues. Speech recognition allows students to practice forming sounds with assessments that provide instant, detailed reports on student and class spoken responses.

Find out how our early reading intervention can help your students become empowered readers—developing the foundational skills that will help them become on-grade-level learners.

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Real learning. Real results.™

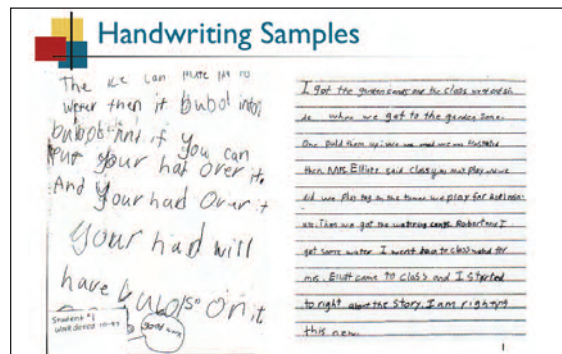
Supplements core reading programs

Easily integrate PLATO Focus with your existing core reading programs, such as Open Court, Houghton Mifflin, and Project READ®. Based on classroom organization and each student’s intervention needs, teachers use a management system to easily adjust the type and amount of material covered, the degree of support provided, the skill level, and the instructional order.

Professional development

PLATO® Professional Services draws on a team of highly qualified consultants to integrate the PLATO Focus Reading Intervention into your classroom and provide proven, research-based teaching methodologies including:

- How young children learn to read and write
- Research-based instructional strategies
- Merging PLATO Focus into classroom instruction
- Using assessment to inform instruction



Student handwriting dramatically improves after one semester using PLATO Focus