

## Observation Walk-Through for Elementary Classrooms

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher's edition and lesson number \_\_\_\_\_

### Alphabetics: Phonemic Awareness and Phonics

- Alphabet cards and letter/sound cards are used as designed by the program.
- Teachers use only the cards from the selected program.
- Teacher follows the program lesson for instructing on phoneme awareness, alphabet, phonics, and word attack.
- Teacher/students use the letter/sound cards as a resource when reading and writing throughout the day.

### Classroom Environment

- Students are seated to enable active engagement by all students.
- Program wall posters and other visuals are displayed as designed.
- Student work is displayed and reflects a pride of work standard.
- The room is arranged to accommodate small-group and independent work as well as whole class work.

### Small-Group Time

- Rules are introduced and posted.
- Materials are accessible/organized.
- Small-group instruction or time for direct work with individuals is a regular daily activity as designed in the program.
- Students are working on appropriate activities to meet their needs.
- Teacher works with different small groups to review, preteach, or assess.
- Teacher provides appropriate and clear instruction for students at risk, including English learners and special education students, and also provides differentiated instruction for advanced learners.

### Teacher Instruction

- The teacher follows the selected program's lessons as designed.
- Pace is appropriate.
- Teacher adjusts instruction to accommodate all learners and is aware of student response.
- Teacher provides appropriate corrective feedback and positive reinforcement.
- Teacher uses direct instruction as noted as well as fosters active student engagement.

### Materials

- Evidence of program materials being used as designed.
- Teacher uses the teacher's edition during instruction.
- Instruction is focused on the lesson in the teacher's edition.
- Supplemental materials support the instruction in the base program.