

The Fundations Ready to Rise program can be implemented when students return to school as a 20-day *accelerated program* for Levels 1 and 2 to focus in on the most critical skills students will need for a successful school year.

## Implementation Considerations

A variety of needs will prevail upon returning to school after a year of interrupted instruction. Some or perhaps all students might benefit from accelerated foundational skills in the early units of Fundations. Thus, Ready to Rise could be implemented with all students or with just those needing an instructional boost.

Consider the following approaches to identify students who would benefit from the accelerated program at the start of the school year:

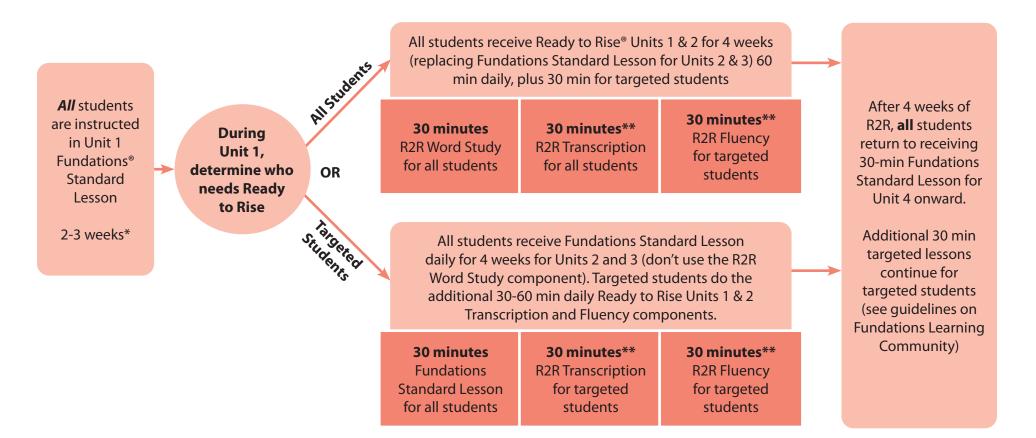
- Review last year's data. Meet with previous teachers to look at students' previous Unit Tests and consider those who consistently scored below the 80% correct benchmark. Alternatively, teachers could examine students' writing and spelling work from last year.
- Examine attendance: If students did not receive enough instruction, they may benefit.
- Administer the Ready to Rise pretests. Consider accuracy scores on the word identification-phonetically regular words and spelling measures.

For implementation, consider the following:

- Ready to Rise includes 20 days of instruction aligned with *beginning units* of Fundations instruction (see below); thus, Ready to Rise will be implemented soon upon return.
- Ready to Rise is structured as three 30-minute components (word study, transcription, and application and fluency components). Students in need of this instructional boost will require 60-90 minutes.
- The Fundations<sup>®</sup> and Fundations Ready to Rise programs could be implemented in various combinations based on need, time, and school faculty. The charts on the following pages provide pathway ideas.

Level 1 Alignment	Fundations L1 Units 2 & 3 aligns with Ready to Rise L1 Units 1 & 2
Level 2 Alignment	Fundations L2 Units 1 & 2 aligns with Ready to Rise L2 Units 1 & 2

30 minutes	30 minutes	30 minutes
Word Study	Transcription Skills	Application & Fluency
Component	(Handwriting & Spelling)	Component

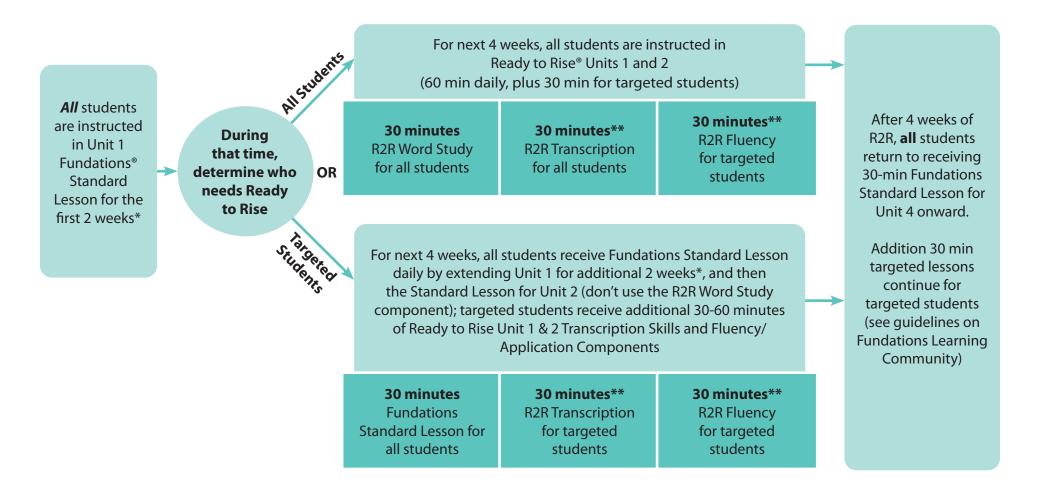


\*Since Ready to Rise Level 1 includes transcription skills and students will receive additional handwriting instruction, Unit 1 could be accelerated to 2 weeks rather than 3 weeks. (See Learning Community for guidance on accelerated learning plan.) An important aspect of Unit 1 instruction is to be sure all letters and sounds are introduced using the Letter-Keyword-Sound Activity, which is important for new students.

\*\*The additional 60 minutes of instruction can be in two sessions (e.g., one during the day and one after school, or one immediately after Fundations and one in the afternoon). The two sessions also might be done with two different instructors at two "stations." Envision a room with students cycling through in small groups and each instructor well prepared for their component of Ready to Rise.

If there are only 60 minutes rather than 90 minutes, instruct the 30-minute Fundations Standard Lesson or the 30-minute R2R Word Study Component daily, and then rotate between the R2R Transcription and Fluency components.





\* Given recent disrupted learning year and loss of instruction, we recommend that Level 2 Unit 1 is extended to 4 weeks for all students. After the first two weeks, all students will continue Unit 1 by either: a) receiving the Ready to Rise Unit 1 instruction, or b) receiving Unit 1 for another 2 weeks by extending Fundations Standard Lesson plan (see Fundations Learning Community for extended learning plan guidance).

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For both Levels 1 and 2, if Fundations® materials are already on hand, only the following materials will need to be purchased:

- A Ready to Rise Teacher Guide and
- Student Practice consumables for each student (6 pack)

If Ready to Rise components will be implemented by teachers without Fundations materials already on hand, the following materials will be needed:

Level 1	Level 2	
Minimum Teacher Materials for Fundations Ready to Rise Program for Rising 1 <sup>st</sup> Graders:	Minimum Teacher Materials for Fundations Ready to Rise Program for Rising 2 <sup>nd</sup> Graders:	
<ul> <li>Fundations Ready to Rise<sup>®</sup> Teacher Guide for Rising 1<sup>st</sup> Graders</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fundations Ready to Rise<sup>®</sup> Teacher Guide for Rising 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders</li> </ul>	
• Baby Echo	• Baby Echo	
Standard Sound Cards 1	Standard Sound Cards 1	
Trick Words Flashcards 1	Trick Word Flashcards 1	
Manuscript Letter Formation Guides	Manuscript Letter Formation Guides	
Letter Formation Poster	Letter Formation Poster	
Large Letter Formation Grid	Large Letter Formation Grid	
Large Dictation Grid	Large Dictation Grid	
<ul> <li>Minimum Student Materials:</li> <li>Student Durables 1 (Dry Erase Tablet, Magnetic Journal, Letter Tiles)</li> <li>Fundations Ready to Rise<sup>™</sup> Student Practice for Rising First Graders (6 pack)</li> </ul>	<text></text>	

