



# Section 2. Day One

## Foundational Reading Skills

Overview of Reading Research and  
ECRI Model & Example





## 2.1

# Research on Effective Reading Instruction



Successful literacy instruction and interventions, especially for at-risk students and those with reading disabilities, provide a strong core of highly explicit, systematic teaching of foundational skills such as decoding and spelling, as well as explicit teaching of other important components of literacy such as vocabulary, comprehension, and writing.

(Fletcher et al., 2018; Gersten et al., 2008; Graham et al., 2012; Torgesen, 2004).

ex•plic•it

- stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt.

sys•tem•at•ic

- having, showing, or involving a system, method, or plan.

in•struc•tion

- the act or practice of teaching.



# Explicit and Systematic Instruction is...

...teaching using a clear and detailed plan or method that will leave no room for confusion or doubt.

# What the Research suggests...

**Explicit instruction** is teaching critical skills & concepts in the most **“effective and efficient manner possible”**

*(Carnine, Silbert, Kame'enui, & Tarver, 2004)*

- Use of clear and consistent language
- Demonstrations of reading concepts and skills
- Guided and independent practice opportunities
- Timely and specific academic feedback



# The ECRI Study

The Enhanced Core Reading Instruction (ECRI) materials were published following a ***rigorous evidence-based practices research study*** conducted at the Center on Teaching and Learning (CTL) University of Oregon



# The ECRI Study

- Funded by the Institute of Education Sciences (IES)
- 5-year study: 2007-2012
- Efficacy testing at 44 schools and 145 first grade teachers
- Since 2012, CTL has continued efficacy work with ECRI





## 2.2

# The ECRI Model



# How do we *enhance* our current reading instruction?

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Our goal with enhancements of core reading instruction is to take a **good product** (i.e., your core reading program) and make it even **more effective** by adding instructional enhancements using clear and detailed routines and daily foundation skills lessons that are aligned with your Core program scope and sequence.

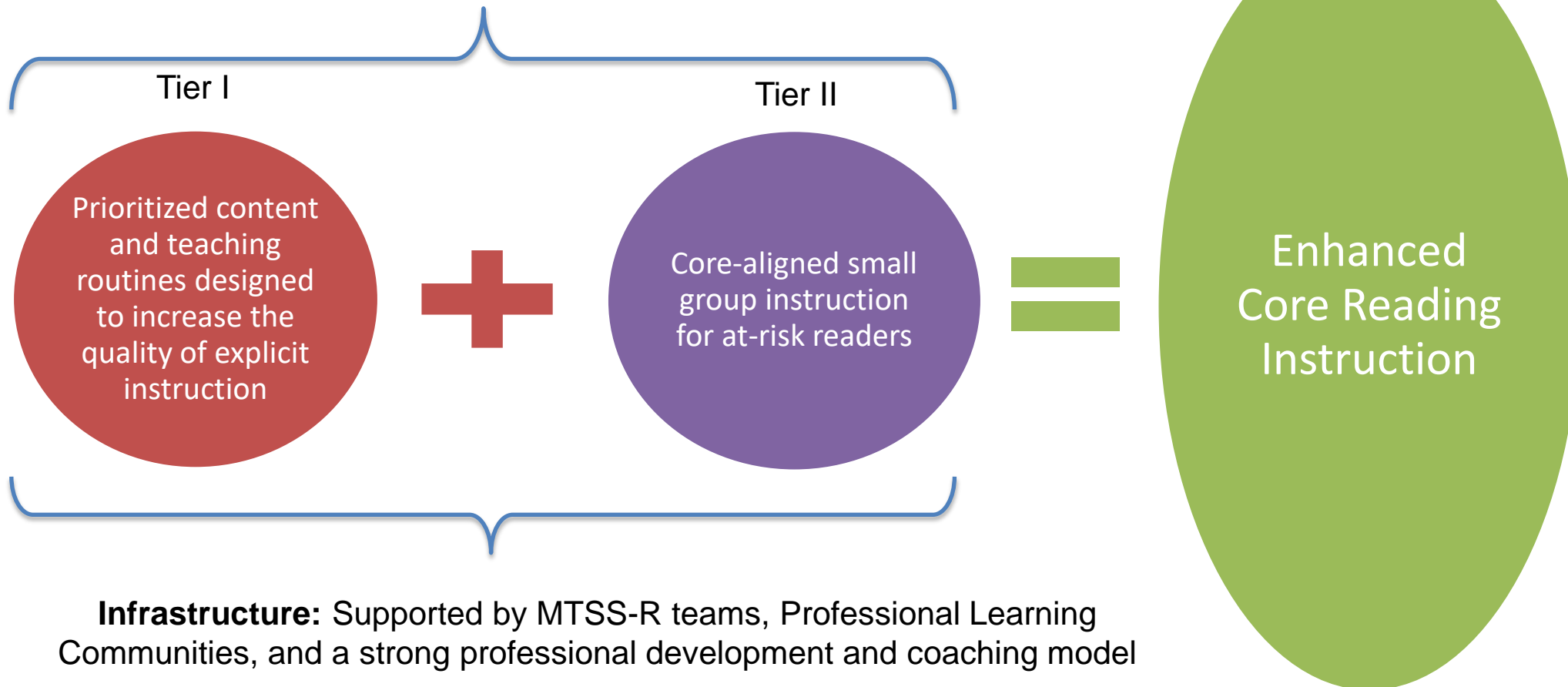


# Overall ECRI MTSS-R Approach



**Progress monitoring and mastery data**  
to differentiate and adjust the level of support

**Screening**  
to assign  
students to  
tiers of  
support





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# ECRI Instructional Enhancements

# What are the Instructional Enhancements?

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2. Providing deliberate and frequent student practice by delivering a foundational skills lesson daily.
3. Using explicit teaching routines to increase the quality of systematic instruction.

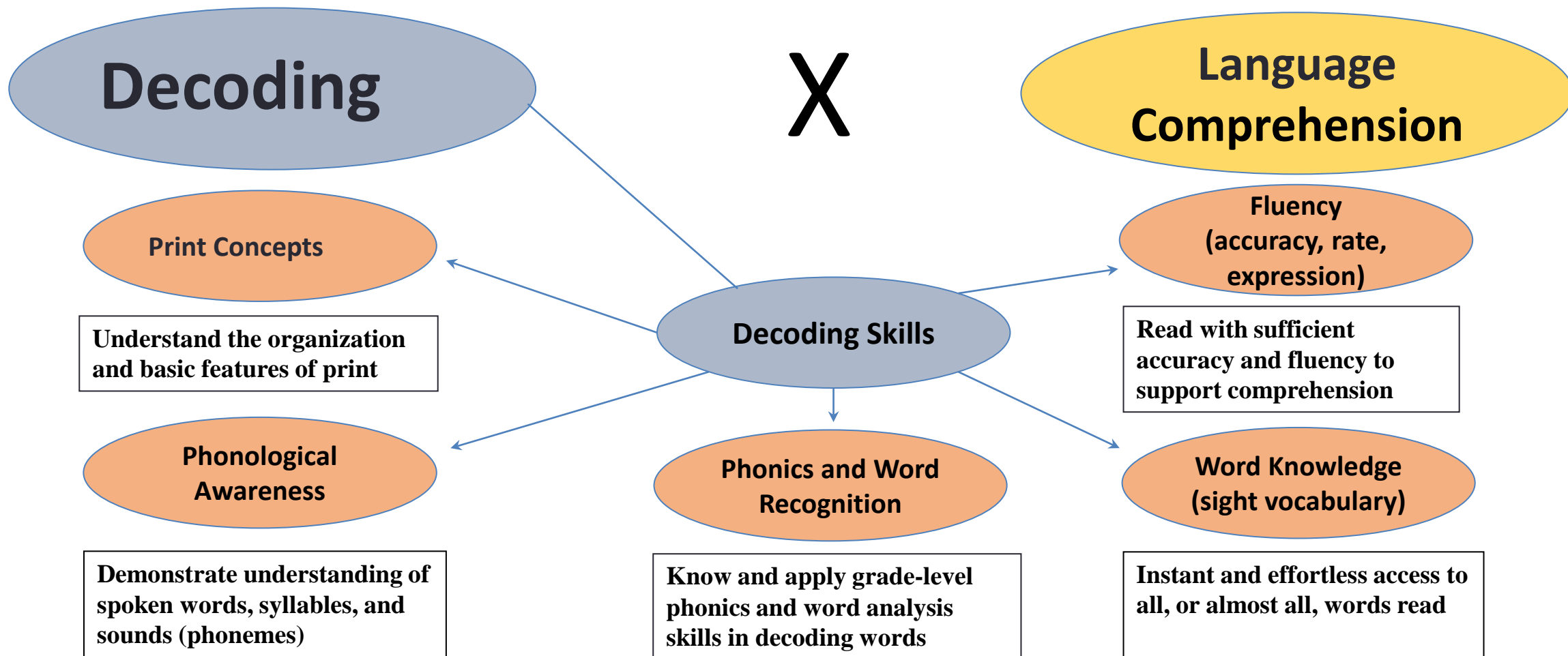


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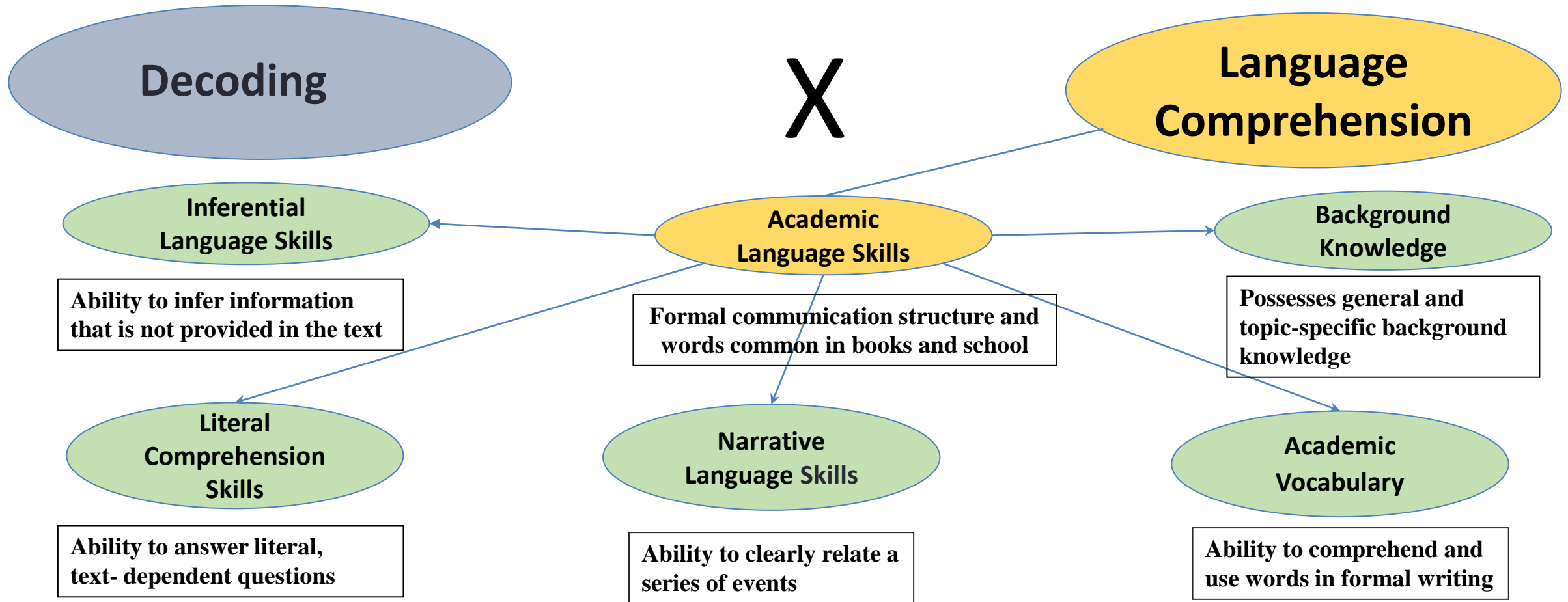
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- Irregular Word Reading
- Phonemic Awareness
- Sound-Spelling Introduction and Practice
- Blending Sounds
- Regular Word Reading
- Reading in Connected Text
- Fluency
- Encoding
- Vocabulary
- Comprehension

# Simple View of Reading



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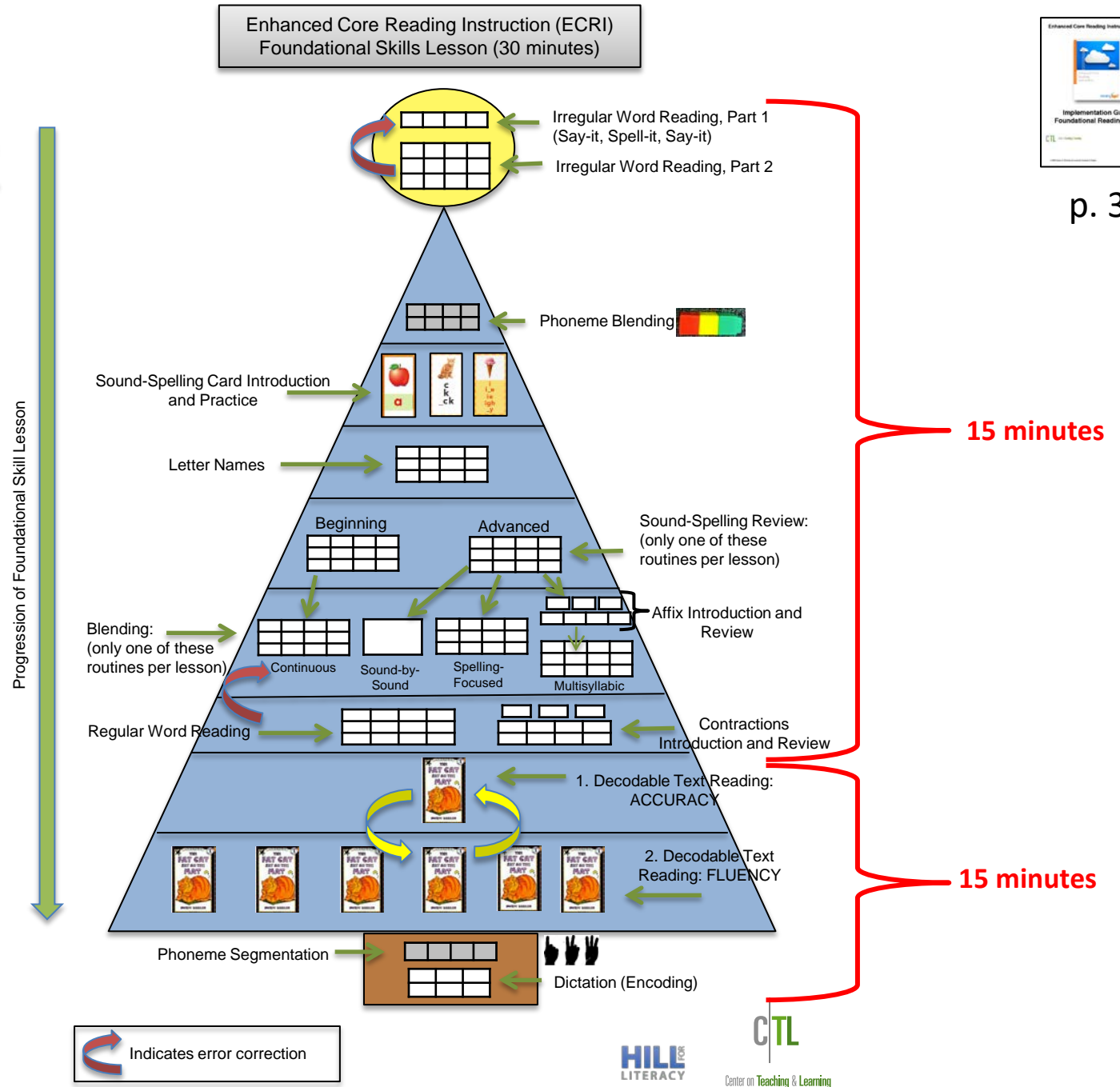


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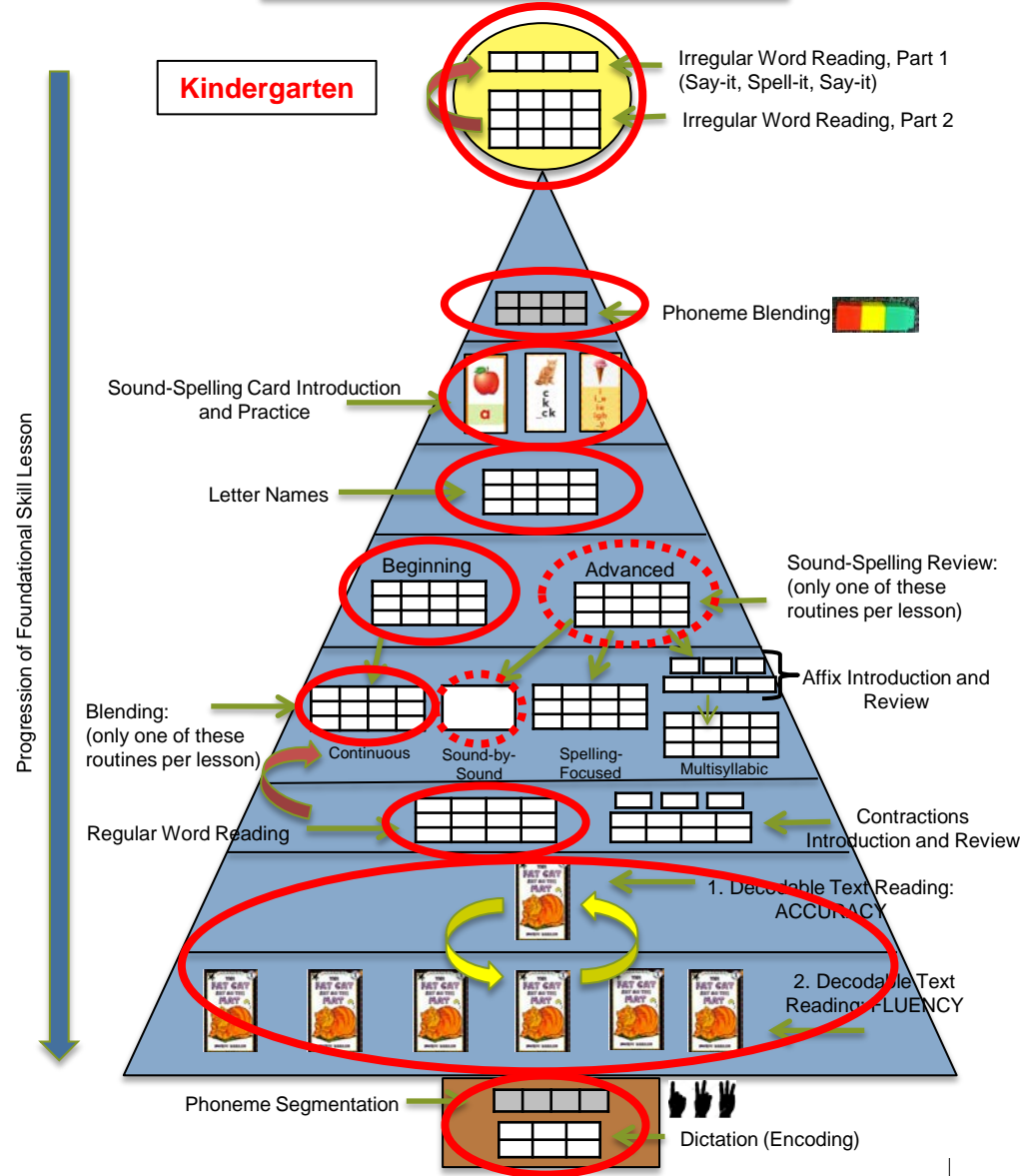
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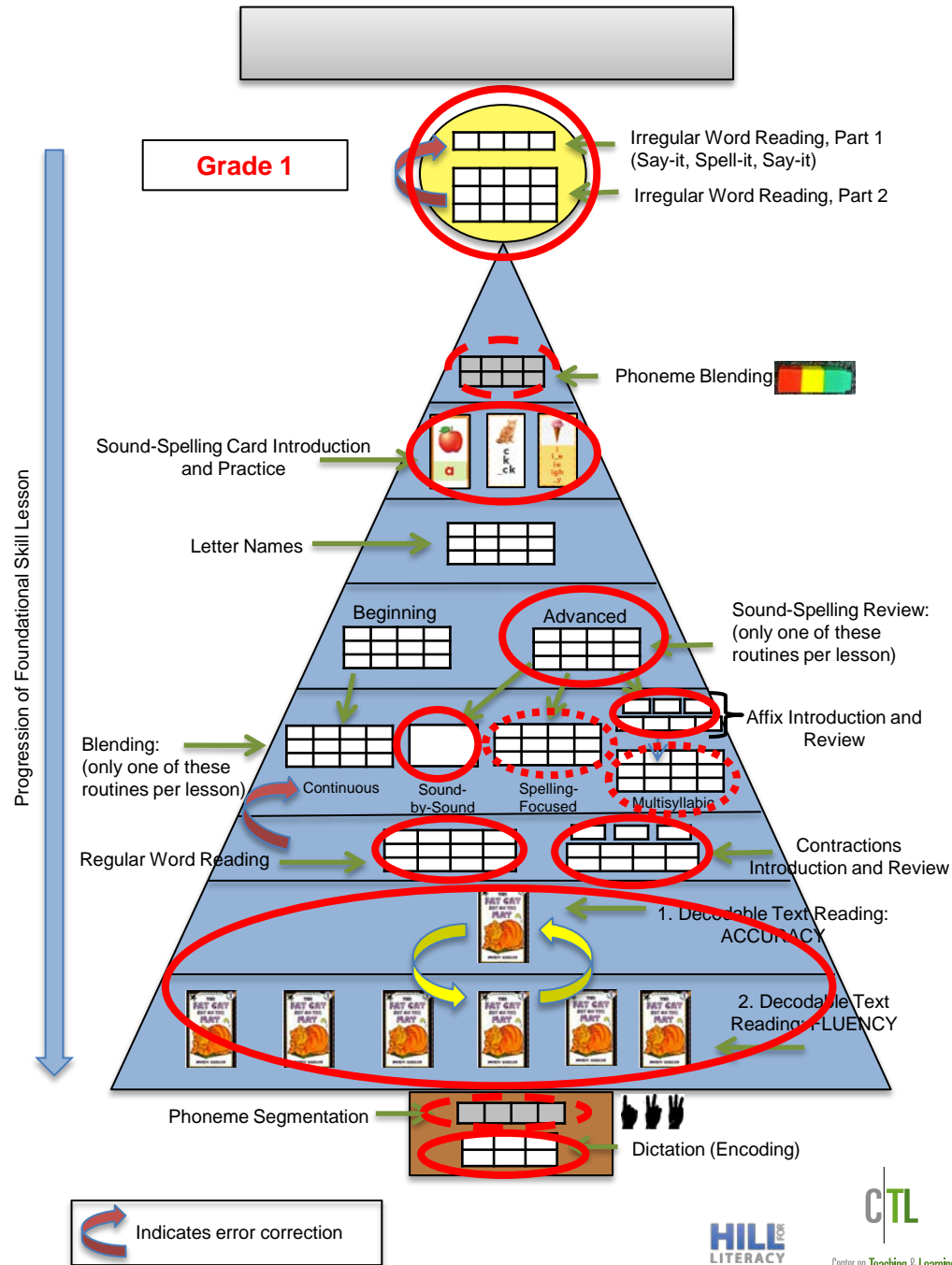
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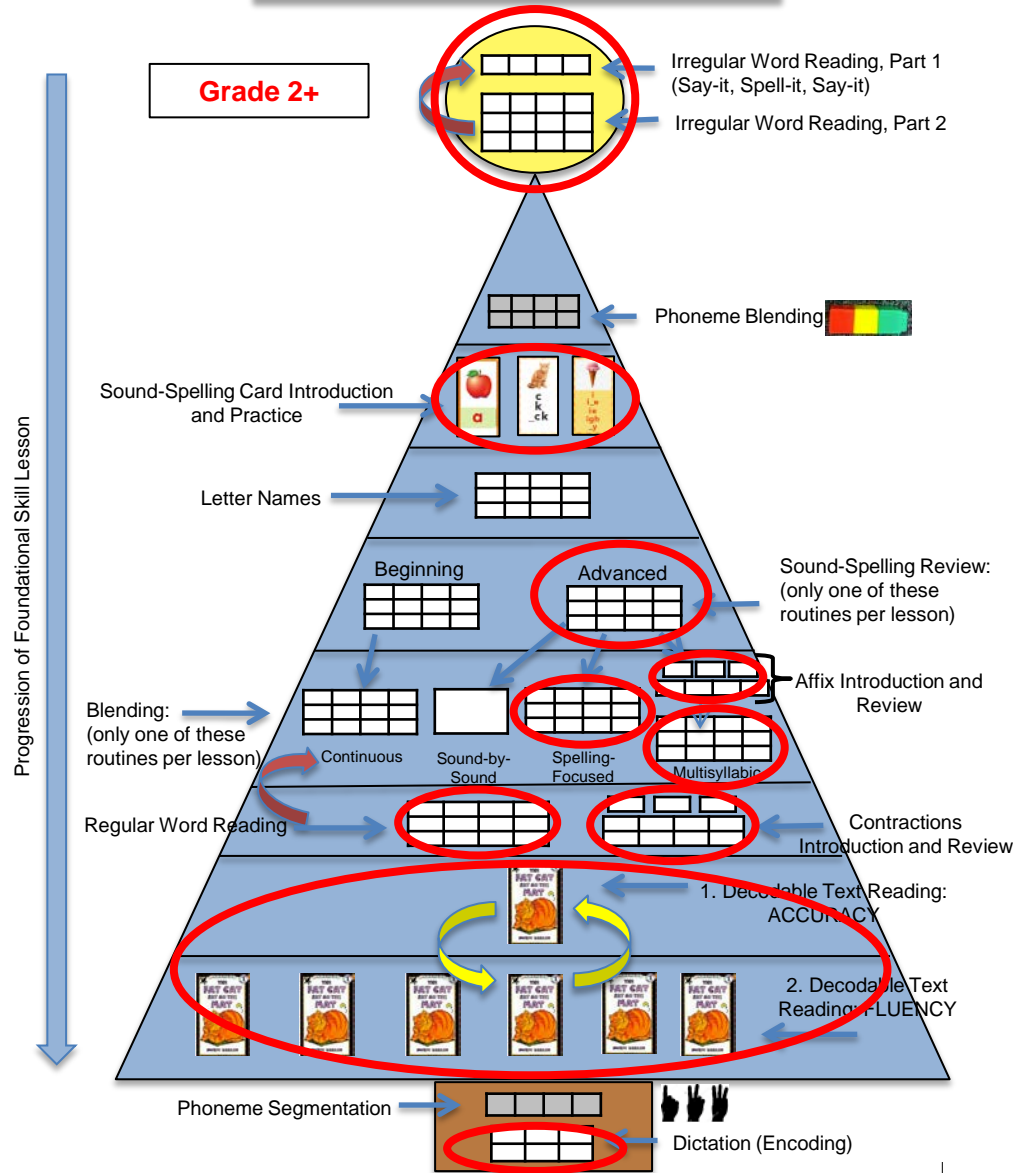
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