OLB

Element	Observable Language Behaviours (OLB)					
	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
Meaning Understand and respond to texts	Demonstrate understanding by responding to a highly visual text using a combination of visuals, drawings, L1, pre- taught vocabulary and gestures Read and follow simply worded instructions with visual support Use concepts of English print (e.g., directionality of print, English alphabet, sound/symbol patterns, and upper and lower case letters)	Demonstrate understanding by responding to a simple text with visual support, using drawings, L1, pre- taught vocabulary and high frequency words Read and follow short, simply worded instructions	Demonstrate understanding by responding to simple or adapted texts Read and follow instructions consisting of a few steps for a variety of tasks	Demonstrate understanding by responding to authentic texts with linguistic complexity approaching grade level Read and follow instructions for multi- step tasks in a variety of academic situations	Demonstrate understanding by responding to authentic texts, from a variety of genres, with linguistic complexity of early grade level Read and follow complex instructions	Demonstrate understanding by responding to a wide variety of grade- appropriate texts with vocabulary support
Form and Style Understand role of text features and text forms	Locate information in a highly visual text, using common text features	Identify and use common text features to locate information in a text with visual support	Locate information, using some text features in a text without visual support	Identify and use a variety of text features to locate information	Locate information on a range of topics, using text features in complex texts, multimedia sources and graphic material	Identify different text forms and features and, using academic vocabulary, explain how they help readers understand the text
Fluency Read and understand familiar and unfamiliar words and phrases, and expand vocabulary	Read and understand high frequency words and pre-taught vocabulary in context Apply sound-symbol connections to decode unfamiliar words in context	Read and understand high-frequency words and phrases, some words with multiple meanings, and key academic vocabulary Decode unfamiliar vocabulary using key visuals and other cueing systems	Read and understand pre-taught academic vocabulary Determine the meaning of unfamiliar vocabulary, using root words, prefixes and suffixes	Read and understand low-frequency words, academic words and descriptive language Determine the meaning of unfamiliar words, using context and a variety of vocabulary strategies	Read and understand low-frequency and academic vocabulary in early grade-level text Determine the meaning of unfamiliar words, using context, knowledge of sentence structure, and sound- symbol patterns	Read and understand most vocabulary in a variety of grade- appropriate texts Incorporate a variety of strategies so that unfamiliar words do not interrupt reading