



Fluency

root meter



Do this

Read the passage three times: carefully, smoothly, like talking. Tick a box each time. Read the words over each scoop together.

Measuring the River Route

- Before the traders moved grain downriver, they followed a careful process. First, they measured the distance from the upper settlement to the port. Then they measured the depth near three bends, because a loaded boat could not pass through shallow water. Finally, they measured the time it took for an empty boat to return against the current.
- The root meter means measure. A thermometer measures temperature. A diameter measures the distance across a circle. A speedometer measures how fast a vehicle travels. The traders did not have all those instruments, but they understood the value of measurement. Guessing could waste grain, damage boats, or leave a village without supplies.
- A boy named Jonah helped mark the route on a board. He wrote numbers beside each tributary and drew a symbol where the river widened. His first map looked crowded, so the captain asked him to revise it. "A measurement should serve the reader," she said. "If the numbers are exact but the map is confusing, the process is not finished." Jonah copied the measurements again, slowly and clearly, until the route could guide the whole crew.

Reading Tracker

Read 1: Read it carefully. ☐

Listener: ☐ ☐ ☐

Read 2: Read it smoothly. ☐

A word I practised:

Read 3: Read it like talking. ☐