



Important note for READ 180 Stage A & B Customers who are upgrading to v1.8.1:

As you upgrade to new versions of *READ 180* resources, please be aware of two steps you must take regarding *rSkills* Tests:

- 1. Maintain data from previous *rSkills* Tests.**
- 2. Print *rSkills* Tests from SAM only.**

1. Maintain data from previous *rSkills* Tests.

When you install **READ 180 v1.8.1**, which includes new *rSkills* tests, many students will have completed the earlier versions of the Stage A & B *rSkills* tests. The previous versions include 20 questions. The v1.8.1 *rSkills* tests will include 30 questions in order to more efficiently assess student comprehension and writing skills.

To maintain all data from the *rSkills* Tests taken to date, run your *rSkills* Student Summary and Student Skills Reports BEFORE YOU UPGRADE TO v1.8.1.

After your students begin taking the new *rSkills* Tests, the Student Summary and Student Skills reports will show only data from the new *rSkills* tests (which can include up to 33 questions).

We apologize for the inconvenience and assure this will only be an issue for existing *READ 180* customers who upgrade to v1.8.1 for the '08-'09 school year. During the '09-'10 school year, Stage A & B tests will have up to 33 questions. There will be no discrepancies in the reports.

2. Print *rSkills* Tests from SAM only.

Schools using *rSkills* tests for the 2008-2009 school year may experience a discrepancy between their computer-based tests and print *rSkills*.

The *rSkills* included in your teacher bookshelf are the previous version of *rSkills* (the 20 question tests.)

To print out the 30-question versions, please print the new version of the test from SAM.

Please DO NOT USE the *rSkills* Black Line Masters (BLMs) from your teacher bookshelf. Download all new *rSkills* Tests and Answer Keys from SAM Resources. The tests can be printed from the student preview page.

For customers running versions prior to 1.8.1, you can still print the 20 question version via the *rSkills* student preview section in SAM.

The *rSkills* available in the SAM Resources are only for versions 1.8.1 or higher.

Best Regards,
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