Objective
The student will gain speed and accuracy in reading words.

Materials
- High frequency word practice sheets (Activity Master F.010.AM1a - F.010.AM1b)  
  Select target practice sheet, make two copies, and laminate.
- Words correct per minute graph student sheet (Activity Master F.007.SS1a - F.007.SS1d)  
  Choose or make a graph appropriate to students’ fluency level.
- Timer (e.g., digital)
- Vis-à-Vis® markers
- Pencils

Activity
Students quickly read words on a practice sheet in a timed activity.
1. Place two copies of the target word practice sheet, timer, and Vis-a-Vis® markers at the center. Provide each student with a words correct per minute graph.
2. Taking turns, students practice reading the words aloud to each other before beginning the timing.
3. Student one sets the timer for one minute and tells student two to “begin.” Student two reads the words across the page while student one follows on his copy and uses a Vis-à-Vis® marker to mark any words that are read incorrectly. If all the words on the sheet are read, goes back to the top and continues reading.
4. When the timer goes off, student one circles the last word read. Counts the number of words read correctly.
5. Student two graphs the number of words read correctly on his words correct per minute graph.
6. Reverse roles and repeat the activity attempting to increase speed and accuracy.
7. Continue until student sheet is complete.
8. Teacher evaluation

Extensions and Adaptations
- Use other high frequency words (Activity Master PHFWC.001-PHFWC.050 in Phonics).
- Time and record how long it takes to read all the words (Activity Master F.003.SS).
the of and a

to in is you

that it he was

for on are as

with his they I

at be this have

from or one had

by word but not

high frequency words
what  all  were  we
when  your  can  said
there  use  and  each
which  she  do  how
their  if  will  up
other  about  out  many
then  them  these  so
some  her  would  make

high frequency words