



## Story Cove Fact Sheet

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### Overview

Story Cove is an online reading solution that is designed to help students build the core reading skills (phonics, fluency, vocabulary and comprehension) mandated by the Georgia Performance Standards and recommended by the National Reading Panel (NRP). It is designed to supplement and complement the reading curriculum that students use in the classroom. Our platform utilizes online formative assessments that are correlated to state performance standards to prescribe a unique learning plan for each student. Students are then guided through animated stories, practice assignments, audio read along files and leveled picture books to accelerate their learning and reinforce skill development. This unique standards based program is designed to actively engage young learners (K-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade) in stories and help them build the specific, foundation skills they need in order to become proficient readers.

### Innovative Supplemental Learning

- Every student begins with a skills based assessment to determine reading strengths and weaknesses
- A Student Profile is defined for each child based on this data
- Profile is used to prescribe an Individual Student Plan (ISP) that defines specific online practice assignments
- All assessments and practice assignments are correlated to state performance standards
- Students use leveled picture books throughout each session to work through the practice assignments
- When students complete a story unit, they take the books home to build their personal reading library
- All work is tracked and analyzed so that the ISP can be revised - based on individual progress
- Individualizing each student's learning plan optimizes time on task and accelerates the learning process
- Program is aligned with the specifications defined by Response to Intervention – RTI

### Problems We Solve

- ✦ There are simply not enough expert reading coaches – this solution supplements the scarce supply of reading specialists
- ✦ Quantitatively improve reading skills & test scores
- ✦ Provide a cost-effective – data driven solution to supplement any reading curriculum
- ✦ Optimize and individualize student time on task to expand learning and practice opportunities
- ✦ Accelerate academic readiness and achievement for students who need more reading practice

### Flexible Delivery

**Afterschool Programs** - Online delivery individually or in small groups with coaches

**Afterschool providers or organizations** – 3<sup>rd</sup> party providers who need an online, data driven solution to accelerate reading skills

**Classrooms** – Supplement classroom curriculum with individualized assignments and targeted practice work

**At Home or in Libraries** – Practice with parent supervision

**Approved for students attending failing schools** - Online tutoring reimbursed by Department of Education

### Story Cove Highlights and Milestones

- Supplemental online reading platform was launched in November
- Free companion website currently supports over 5,200 registered educators each month
- Field pilot in four Title I schools demonstrated a 10.3% average improvement in reading skills
- 22 picture books with free animated stories, audio files and differentiated lesson plans are available online
- Over 50,000 Story Cove leveled picture books in use
- Rules based Content Delivery Engine (CDE) correlated to state standards and individualizes student assignments
- Students take books home when they complete a story unit to build their own personal reading library