Possible Classroom Interventions

Language Interventions

Pre-teaching

Simplifying directions

Rephrasing directions

Repetition

Chunking

Visual/verbal cues

Word Recognition Interventions

Manipulate letters and words; word sorts

Time letter recognition

Find letters in print and circle

Introduce letters and sounds in spelling pattern groups

Practice decodable text with patterned language

Tap out and blend beginning, middle, and ending sounds

Use onset and rime cards to build words

Use familiar word families as basis for reading complex, multisyllabic words

Roots and affixes

Fluency Interventions

Repeated Readings

Reader's Theatre

Choral reading with reading buddy

Sight word practice

Letter/sound association

Explicit instruction and practice on targeted phonic patterns

Pattern books with word families

Audio books

Wilson "scooping" technique

Shared reading/Echo reading

Read songs without music to experience rhythm of language

Timed repeated readings

Practice reading poetry

Reproduce text so reading is divided into phrases

Color code appropriate phrases on reproduced text to practice phrasing

Comprehension Interventions

Previewing

Rephrasing

Pre-teaching of vocabulary

Use of graphic organizers

Making connections: text-to-self, text-to-text, text-to-world

Visualizing

Summarizing text

Think Alouds

Explicit instruction in using context clues to figure out unknown vocabulary

Texts/books on cd/MP3/iPod

Explicit instruction in expository text features

Text referencing strategies

Chunking passages

Higher order questions in class discussions

Model interpretation of information in graphs, charts, diagrams

Daily read aloud with discussion about text meaning

Encourage sub-vocalization

Limit amount of print on each page

Before reading: Set purpose for reading

During reading: Encourage use of one sentence summaries

Use puppets, props, etc. to retell story

Storyboards

Vocabulary Interventions

Pre-teach new words

Flash cards for each unit

Word walls

Categorizing new words

Use content vocabulary in discussions so students can practice words in context

Help students generate definitions to take ownership of new words

Graphic organizers/Word maps

Reading of non-fiction at an independent level

Read alouds above student's reading level

Keep a concept and vocabulary notebook organized by categories

Use synonyms and antonyms to stretch student's conceptual framework

Pictionary using vocabulary words/concepts

Charades using vocabulary words/concepts

Writing Interventions

Provide a pre-writing graphic organizer

Use a graphic organizer for each section of the story or writing piece. Ex: 4-Square Organizer

Verbalize writing ideas to a partner before writing

Tape recorder - dictation to organize ideas

Word processor

Teach students to restate the question

Teach students to use all parts of the prompts/bullets

Teach use of key phrases such as "the author states, the text says, etc..." to encourage text referencing

Encourage oral rehearsal

Provide pattern books as story starters

Engage student in conversation and talk through pre-writing process

Provide pictures/photos to stimulate ideas

Provide mentor texts

Encourage letter writing, note writing, Email, and/or written converstations with teacher/peers to develop fluency

Encourage student to develop a word bank by categories (descriptive adjectives, etc.)

Snelling Interventions

Practice words by sorting them according to patterns

Identify 5 "no-excuse" words and tape on student desks

Flashcards

Use word shape activities to help visual learners

Use word families and changes onsets to form new words

Use onset and rime activites to build new words and practice spelling patterns

Tap out sounds or syllables to support spelling

Peer-conference for editing