

Guidelines for Portfolio Interview Questions

Sample interview questions for basic reading and reading readiness:

- When we teach reading to a student, there are two areas to be considered, decoding skills and comprehension. Which would you use to begin the task?
- What program(s) have you used to teach decoding to a student and what was your role?
- How would you help students to learn new words?
- How would you teach a student to remember what he/she has read
- How would you monitor student progress?
- Have you ever used a program that you either liked or didn't like? If so, compare the one that you liked to the one that you didn't like.

Sample interview questions for basic writing and writing readiness:

- When a student is given a writing assignment, there are steps that you would use to assist with the project. Describe what you would do.
- How would you help the student to find the information that he/she needs prior to beginning the project?
- How would you give a student help to compose a written draft?
- How would you help a student to revise and clarify a final draft?
- Describe how you would teach students a strategy for editing each of the following:
 - Correct capitalization and punctuation
 - Correct spelling for level-appropriate words
 - Standard grammar

Sample interview questions for basic math and math readiness:

- How would you work with a student who doesn't know basic math facts?
- How would you assess which basic math fact the student knows or doesn't know?
- How could you help a student understand why learning math is important?
- What programs have you found to be helpful in teaching math to students?
- How would you determine which prerequisite skills the student needs in order to comprehend a mathematical concept?
- How could you provide visual images when teaching mathematical ideas and concepts?
- How would you collect and record data on student progress?