

Rasinski Informal Vocabulary Inventory
(from Harris & Jacobson)

<u>Primer</u>	<u>Grade 1</u>	<u>Grade 2</u>	<u>Grade 3</u>	<u>Grade 4</u>
father	zoo	wink	wobble	tingle
hen	train	sharp	worst	vacuum
high	smell	possum	reward	sturdy
bird	quiet	perfect	stalk	yam
people	money	overhead	presto	skull
thank	letter	breeze	manager	raw
youth	guess	hospital	lantern	pioneer
seed	draw	meadow	hoof	grocer
night	bone	apartment	ghastly	drought
open	beautiful	captain	eager	crimson
grow	always	coyote	cactus	confidence
<u>Grade 5</u>	<u>Grade 6</u>	<u>Grade 7</u>	<u>Grade 8</u>	
rodent	visor	tutor	scant	
violent	vague	tardy	phony	
plumber	theft	sphere	rapport	
labor	rotate	saliva	trivial	
holly	rabies	pedestal	violation	
revenge	plankton	peril	transmit	
pursue	overcast	motto	foreground	
fabric	habitat	jackhammer	merge	
chat	fiend	khaki	joust	
blurt	ecology	camouflage	doctrine	
astronomer	employ	abacus	amputate	

Say 10 of the 11 words to the student. Begin at student's grade placement. Ask student to define or use in sentence in a way that describes the word. Give 10 points if correct, 0 for incorrect, and 5 points if you feel answer is partially correct.

Vocabulary Levels

90%	=	Independent
70%-80%	=	Instructional
< 50%	=	Frustration

(Technical note – Words taken from Harris & Jacobson (1982). *Basic Reading Vocabularies*. Macmillan.)