Product Name: Directed Reading Assessment

Product Description
Reading assessments that expand the existing reading measures on easyCBM, Gr. 3 – 8, to include non-fiction (Read to Perform a Task, Informational Text) and shorter fiction (Short Literary Text) passages.

List of Essential Features
Measures include a short prompt (graphic, text, etc.) followed by five questions, each with three possible answer choices (one correct, one near and one far distractor). We are currently finishing up gathering data that will enable us to run factor analyses on the different measure types to determine how best to organize the test items for delivery on easyCBM. Data collection should be finished by mid-February, with analysis completed by March 15. The measures are scheduled to be added to easyCBM in the summer of 2012.

Audience
Current users of easyCBM; these measures both extend downward the reading comprehension measures available on the site (allowing for more sensitive monitoring of the progress being made by struggling readers) and address a frequent request for non-fiction comprehension measures.

Demonstration of Product: http://ies.easycbm.com
Ice Cream Sales

Mike's Scoop-O-Rama Ice Cream shop tracks their sales for a month to see which flavors are the most popular. The graph below shows the percentages of sales for five different flavors. Read the graph, and answer the questions.

- French Vanilla: 18%
- Cookies and Cream: 32%
- Chocolate Chip: 24%
- Strawberry Frozen Yogurt: 16%
- Rainbow Sherbet: 11%

1. Which flavor is the most popular?
   - Chocolate chip
   - French vanilla
   - Cookies and cream

2. Shawna likes the flavor that makes up 15% of the monthly sales. Her favorite is:
   - Chocolate chip
   - Rainbow sherbet
   - Strawberry frozen yogurt

3. What percentage of the ice cream sales are French Vanilla?
   - 18%
   - 11%
   - 32%
A New Rugby

It's well known that rugby players are tough. Rugby is a sport that combines the rules of soccer and football. It is notoriously rough. The players are aggressive athletes. What is less known, is that some of the world's toughest rugby players play rugby in wheelchairs.

Wheelchair rugby is a sport for athletes who use wheelchairs. The athletes use special wheelchairs that have a wide, stable base. The stability lets them crash into one another and block their opponents.

Wheelchair rugby is played on hardwood basketball courts. There is an end zone on either side. Four players from each team play at the same time. The athletes pass the ball back and forth, just like in basketball. When a player crosses the goal line, that team gets points. It may sound simple, but it is a full-contact sport! Ramming and crashing into each other is common, and part of the strategy. Some wheelchair rugby athletes jokingly call the sport "extreme sitting."

Since it was invented in 1977, wheelchair rugby has grown rapidly in popularity. Today, there are more than 24 countries that have national teams. Every four years, they gather to compete in a World Championship tournament. Teams also compete in the Paralympics. In 2005, a team of filmmakers made a film called "Murderball" about the sport and its star athletes. The movie helped raise awareness about wheelchair rugby, and turned several of the profiled players into superstars.

4. In the future, it is likely that:
   - wheelchair rugby will change its name to "Murderball"
   - wheelchair rugby will continue to grow in popularity
   - there will be fewer international wheelchair rugby games

5. Which summary best describes the article:
   - "Murderball" is about a group of people that like to play basketball and ram each other aggressively. Sometimes they play in wheelchairs.
   - The intensity of wheelchair rugby is greater than in any other sport, and athletes have proved this every four years in international competitions.
   - A little-known version of rugby is played by people in wheelchairs. It's an aggressive sport, and was the subject of the movie "Murderball."
2. Which continent has the least area?
   - Australia
   - Antarctica
   - Europe

3. Which continent has the largest population?
   - Asia
   - Africa
   - Antarctica