

Geodes® books offer knowledge-building, engaging experiences for K–2 students who are ready to expand their decoding practice beyond highly controlled texts. This alignment provides an at-a-glance picture of how decodable each Geodes book is when paired with the UFLI Foundations instructional sequence.

Using the scores below, teachers can determine students' readiness for engaging with Geodes based on students' proficiency with the UFLI Foundations phonetic progression. By applying their phonics skills to Geodes books, students have opportunities to practice decoding while building knowledge, which grows their capacity to read independently.

For books with lower decodability scores, consider previewing the book and determining whether there are high-frequency words that appear repeatedly and have yet to occur in the instructional sequence. These words may be provided to students as support. For example, pre-teaching or providing the following words would aid students reading the books from these modules:

- Level 1 Module 1—*by* and *one*
- Level 2 Module 1—*down, our, out, over, and work*

LEVEL K: UFLI Foundations + Geodes

Modules 1 and 2 of Geodes Level K include Wordless Picture Books to boost students' knowledge of story structure and vocabulary and Sound Search Books to grow students' letter-sound awareness. Since students are not yet decoding words in these Geodes books, the alignment for these modules has been omitted.

GRADE

Kindergarten

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level K Module 3:
America, Then and Now

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 35–50

- CVC combined with
 - nasalized a (*am, an*)
 - consonant blends
 - suffix: *-s*
- FLSZ spelling/double letters: *ff, ll, ss, zz*
- *-all, -oll, -ull*
- digraphs: *ck, sh, th, ch, wh, ph*

		Decodability % (Student text only on Duet Books)
SET 1	<i>Build a Log Cabin</i>	98%
	<i>Three Sisters</i>	97%
	<i>Bath Night</i>	96%
	<i>Ice Harvest</i>	90%
SET 2	<i>Call a Cab</i>	98%
	<i>The First Car to Get That Far</i>	100%
	<i>The Golden Gate</i>	94%
	<i>Fly, Amelia, Fly</i>	96%
SET 3	<i>Lightning Ben</i>	93%
	<i>Frank's Ice Pops</i>	95%
	<i>Ella Sang Back</i>	98%
	<i>Scraping the Sky</i>	100%
SET 4	<i>The Flag Is Up</i>	97%
	<i>Statue of Liberty</i>	98%
	<i>Sea to Shining Sea</i>	98%
	<i>Washington Crossing the Delaware</i>	94%

LEVEL K: UFLI Foundations + Geodes (continued)

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Kindergarten

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level K Module 4:
The Continents

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 51–59, 63–68

- glued sounds: -ng, -nk
- trigraphs
- VCe words
- suffixes: -es, -ed, -ing
- Closed and Open syllables
- two-syllable words

	Geodes Title	Decodability % (Student text only on Duet Books)
SET 1	<i>Land of Wonder</i>	95%
	<i>Jack, Jill, and Joey</i>	95%
	<i>The Great Reef</i>	98%
	<i>Hop Around Sydney</i>	100%
SET 2	<i>Is That a Cat?</i>	100%
	<i>Ladi's Pots</i>	98%
	<i>Made of Mud</i>	100%
	<i>Anansi and His Legs</i>	100%
SET 3	<i>One-Dot</i>	96%
	<i>Brush & Ink</i>	98%
	<i>Floating Market</i>	100%
	<i>Night Climb</i>	100%
SET 4	<i>Map to the Past</i>	98%
	<i>Sit and Paint</i>	90%
	<i>Tap-Tap to Tuk-Tuk</i>	100%
	<i>Sky Laps</i>	98%

LEVEL 1: UFLI Foundations + Geodes

GRADE

1st

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level 1 Module 1:
A World of Books

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 35–53

- CVC combined with
 - nasalized a (am, an)
 - consonant blends
 - suffix: -s
- FLSZ spelling/double letters: ff, ll, ss, zz
- -all, -oll, -ull
- digraphs: ck, sh, th, ch, wh, ph
- glued sounds: -ng, -nk

	Geodes Title	Decodability %
SET 1	<i>Anansi and the Pot of Beans</i>	86%
	<i>The Story in the Cave</i>	86%
	<i>The Magical Stack</i>	91%
	<i>The Brothers Grimm</i>	84%
SET 2	<i>Library Cat</i>	97%
	<i>The Story Ship</i>	84%
	<i>A Library of Our Own</i>	85%
	<i>The Library of Fez</i>	72%
SET 3	<i>Just in Time</i>	84%
	<i>Fed by Art: The Work of Leo Lionni</i>	79%
	<i>Jerry Draws</i>	81%
	<i>An Illustrator at Work</i>	78%
SET 4	<i>How to Make Paper</i>	81%
	<i>The Printing Press</i>	80%
	<i>The Story of Louis Braille</i>	81%
	<i>A Library to Go</i>	79%

LEVEL 1: UFLI Foundations + Geodes (continued)

GRADE

1st

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level 1 Module 2:
Creature Features

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 54–68

- VCe words, including exceptions
- suffixes: -es, -ed, -ing
- Closed and Open syllables
- two-syllable words
- soft -ce (/s/) and -ge (/j/)

Geodes Title

Decodability %

SET 1

Vervet Monkey Alarm

88%

Smell Tells

91%

Bee Waggle

85%

Elephant Talk

85%

Super Spiny Mouse

85%

SET 2

Thorny Devil

84%

The Crab and the Urchin

89%

Stick with Us

86%

SET 3

Small Wonders

86%

A Wish to Fly

84%

One Look

81%

Slug Study

88%

SET 4

Rabbit or Hare?

88%

Draw a Rabbit

83%

The Hares and the Frogs

86%

Young Hare

75%

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1st

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level 1 Module 3:
Powerful Forces

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 69–88

- trigraphs: -tch /ch/, -dge /j/
- long VCC: -ild, -old, -ind, -olt, -ost
- y as /ī/ and /ē/
- Consonant -le words
- R-controlled vowels: ar, or, ore, er, ir, ur, w + or (/er/)
- long Vowel Teams: ay, ai, ee, ea, ey, oa, ow, oe, ie (long i), igh

Geodes Title

Decodability %

SET 1

Seed Scatter

93%

In Motion

85%

Crafted by the Wind

91%

A Growing Wind

94%

Soaring

88%

SET 2

Kite Messengers

90%

Full Sail Ahead: A Viking Story

91%

The Wright Brothers

84%

SET 3

Wind Giants

90%

Towers of Nashtifan

89%

Fire at the Mill

87%

Mondrian

78%

SET 4

Measure the Wind

88%

The Great Storm of Galveston

85%

The Dust Bowl

90%

Ride the Storm

87%

LEVEL 1: UFLI Foundations + Geodes (continued)

GRADE

1st

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level 1 Module 4:

Cinderella Stories

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 89–101, 103, 107–110

- Vowel Teams: oo, u, ew, ui, ue, au, aw, augh, ea, a, oi, oy, ou, ow
- suffixes: -s/es, -er/est, -ly
- prefix: un-
- silent letters: kn, wr, mb
- suffix changes
 - doubling rule: -ed, -ing, -er, -est
 - drop -e rule
 - y to i rule

Geodes Title

Decodability %

SET 1

<i>Cinderella</i>	88%
<i>Old Tale, New Twist</i>	93%
<i>World Traveler: Eiffel Tower</i>	89%
<i>First Steps</i>	91%

SET 2

<i>The King and the Sandal</i>	96%
<i>One Sign at a Time</i>	96%
<i>World Traveler: The Sphinx</i>	94%
<i>Shoes Tell a Tale</i>	91%

SET 3

<i>Billy Beg and His Bull</i>	95%
<i>Book of Kells</i>	94%
<i>World Traveler: Hook Lighthouse</i>	96%
<i>Castles</i>	92%

SET 4

<i>Cinderella on Stage</i>	89%
<i>A Musical Life: The Work of Sergei Prokofiev</i>	90%
<i>World Traveler: St. Basil's Cathedral</i>	92%
<i>All the World's a Stage</i>	88%

LEVEL 2: UFLI Foundations + Geodes

GRADE

2nd

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level 2 Module 1:

A Season of Change

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 38, 41–43, 49, 53, 57, 59, 62–68, 71, 72, 76

- CVC
- digraphs and trigraphs
- FLSZ spelling rule: ll, ff, zz, ss
- all, -oll, -ull
- VCe words, including exceptions
- multisyllabic words
- suffixes: -es, -ed, -ing
- long VCC: -ild, -old, -ind, -olt, -ost
- y as long /ī/ and /ē/
- Consonant -le words

Geodes Title

Decodability %

SET 1

<i>Seed Stash</i>	87%
<i>Cranberry Crop</i>	80%
<i>Leaves</i>	81%
<i>Born to Fly</i>	78%

SET 2

<i>Winters USA</i>	84%
<i>Arctic Caterpillar</i>	81%
<i>The Evergreen Tale</i>	87%
<i>Daytime Darkness</i>	82%

SET 3

<i>Spring Fever</i>	78%
<i>Sap to Syrup</i>	82%
<i>Finch Study</i>	84%
<i>Blossom</i>	83%

SET 4

<i>Road Trip</i>	84%
<i>Bathers</i>	79%
<i>Nature's Thermometer</i>	85%
<i>Summer Snow</i>	84%

LEVEL 2: UFLI Foundations + *Geodes* (continued)

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2nd

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level 2 Module 2:
The American West

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 79, 82–97

- R-controlled vowels
- Vowel Teams:
 - ai, ay – oo, ew, ui, ue
 - ee, ea, ey – au, aw, augh
 - oa, ow, oe – ea, a
 - ie, igh – oi, oy
 - oo, u – ou, ow

Geodes Title

Decodability %

SET 1

The West Is...

97%

The Lakota and the Buffalo

94%

Mesa Village

92%

Nez Percé: The People

95%

Wagon Tracks

94%

SET 2

Pony Express

93%

East Meets West

97%

We Must Try

98%

SET 3

Eagle Eye

97%

Among the Sierra Nevada

93%

More than Gold

99%

The Legend of El Capitan: A Miwok Story

92%

Wagons and Yokes

94%

SET 4

Horizons

98%

Esther Hobart Morris

92%

Walking with the President

92%

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2nd

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level 2 Module 3:
Civil Rights Heroes

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 98–113

- silent letters: *kn, wr, mb*
- suffixes: -s, -es, -er, -est, -ly, -less, -ful
- prefixes: *un-, pre-, re-, dis-*
- double rule: -ed, -ing, -er, -est
- drop -e rule
- -y to *i* rule
- R-controlled exceptions
 - ar, or (/er/)
 - air, are, ear (/air/)
 - ear (/ear/)

Geodes Title

Decodability %

SET 1

Brown v. Board of Education

91%

And the Winner Is...

93%

Bring a Chair

91%

Free to Move

95%

Sampson's Disguise

97%

SET 2

Robinson and Rickey

93%

Zaha Hadid

94%

Stop. Wait. Start.

99%

Just Like Jane

96%

SET 3

Gordon Parks

90%

We Will Ride

92%

The Paralympics

96%

A Vote is a Voice

93%

SET 4

Expanding the Right to Vote

88%

Susan Adds Her Name

93%

My Freedom Story

92%

LEVEL 2: UFLI Foundations + Geodes (continued)

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2nd

PROGRAM

UFLI Foundations

GEODES BOOK SET

Level 2 Module 4:
Good Eating

PHONICS CONCEPTS

UFLI Foundations, Lessons 114–128

- alternate long a: ei, ey, iegh, aigh, ea
- alternate long u: ew, eu, ue, ou
- ough (/aw/) and long o
- soft c and g
- gn /n/, gh /g/, ch /sh/, ch /k/, silent t
- suffixes: -sion, -tion, -er, -or, -ist, -ish, -y, -ness, -ment, -able, -ible
- prefixes: uni-, bi-, tri-

	Geodes Title	Decodability %
SET 1	The Inside Scoop	92%
	Stomach vs. Tongue	94%
	How Do You Chew?	97%
	Body of Water	95%
SET 2	Sick at Sea	97%
	Bone Builder	95%
	Space Menu	95%
	Please Pass the Bugs	93%
SET 3	Garden Study	97%
	Milk to Mozzarella	96%
	Thank You, Mr. Peanut Man	99%
	Rice Staircase	96%
SET 4	Mooncakes	96%
	Lū'au	96%
	Matzo Meal	94%
	Cakes	95%

