Express It!

**Objective**
The student will read with proper phrasing, intonation, and expression in connected text.

**Materials**
- Sentence strips (Activity Master F.020.AM1a - F.020.AM1c)
  
  *Copy on card stock, laminate, and cut.*

**Activity**
Students read sentences with expression.
1. Place the sentence strips face up in a stack at the center.
2. Working in pairs, student one selects the top sentence strip and reads it silently. Reads the sentence(s) again, this time orally, using proper phrasing, intonation, and expression.
3. Student two then reads the same sentence(s) aloud. If the sentence(s) is read with different phrasing, intonation, or expression, students discuss why.
4. Reverse roles and continue until all sentences are read.
5. Peer evaluation

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**Extensions and Adaptations**
- Read the sentences chorally.
- Write and read other sentences (Activity Master F.020.AM1c).
- Use longer sentences or passages.
Little Red Riding Hood said, “Grandmother, what big eyes you have!” The wolf replied in a high voice, “The better to see you with, my dear.”

“This bowl of porridge is too cold! This one is too hot! But this one is just right,” said Goldilocks.

“Little pig let me come in or I’ll huff and puff and blow your house down!” yelled the wolf.

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TRIP! TRAP! TRIP! TRAP! “Who’s that trip-trapping over my bridge?” shouted the troll.
The mouse was very afraid. “Please let me go,” the mouse begged.

“Oh, Turkey-Lurkey, the sky is falling! We are going to tell the king,” cried Goosey-Loosey.

“Somebody has been sitting in my chair!” growled Papa Bear.

“Run, run as fast as you can! You can’t catch me! I’m the Gingerbread Man!”

“Somebody has been sitting in my chair and they broke it!” whined Baby Bear.
The goose said, “Stop Gingerbread Man! I would like to eat you!”

The first little pig shouted, “Not by the hair on my chinny, chin, chin!”

“Grandmother, what big teeth you have!” said Little Red Riding Hood.

The third goat had a big voice. “IT IS I, THE BIGGEST BILLY GOAT GRUFF!” he bellowed.