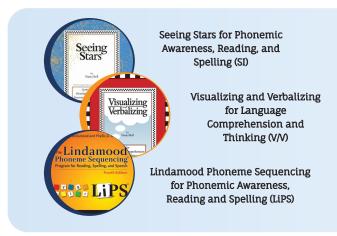


## RESEARCH

# A Project of Hope: Incarcerated Youth Receiving Lindamood-Bell Instruction Outperform Comparison Students in Reading



### PROFILE:

School Years: 2002-2004 Number of Schools: 2 Number of Students:

·180 Lindamood-Bell·42 ComparisonGrade Levels: 6th-12th

Lindamood-Bell Programs Implemented:

·Seeing Stars®

·Visualizing and Verbalizing®

·Lindamood Phoneme Sequencing®

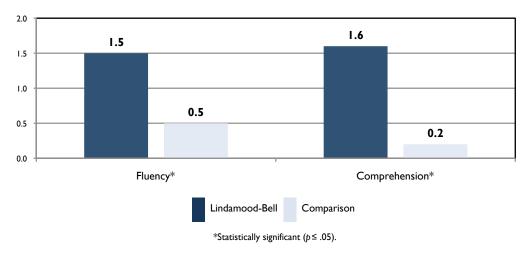
Outcome Measures: Gray Oral Reading Test-4th

(fluency and comprehension)

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Camp Barrett and the Juvenile Ranch Facility in San Diego, California, serve a large percentage of incarcerated males who are at-risk of reading failure. From 2002 to 2004, Camp Barrett and Juvenile Ranch Facility implemented Lindamood-Bell® to address the specific needs of this student population. One hundred eighty students received an average of 88 hours of Lindamood-Bell instruction to develop symbol imagery, phonemic awareness, and concept imagery for reading and comprehension. Instruction was delivered by Lindamood-Bell staff. Student gains were measured with a battery of reading assessments and the results were compared to gains made by similar students. Students were randomly assigned to the Lindamood-Bell and comparison groups.

#### **Average Standard Score Changes**



#### **RESULTS:**

On average, the Lindamood-Bell students achieved significantly greater improvements than comparison students on all measures. The results of this study suggest that Lindamood-Bell instruction in the Seeing Stars, Lindamood Phoneme Sequencing, and Visualizing and Verbalizing programs lead to improved reading and comprehension with this traditionally challenged population.

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