

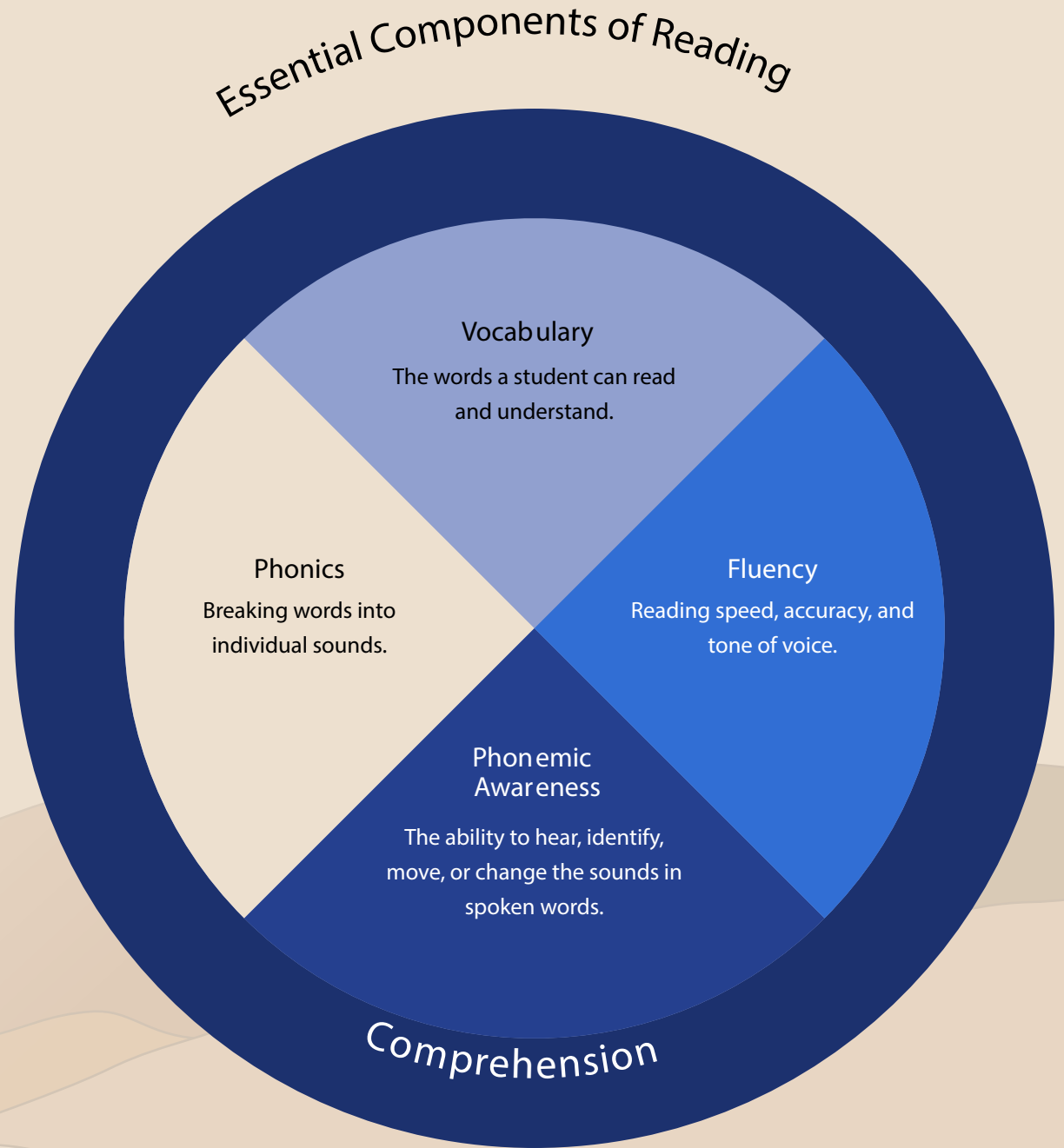
# Literacy Matters

The First Nation School Board is committed to using the science of reading at our schools, to provide your child with what they need to learn to read. This pamphlet shows ways you can help at home.

## What is the science of reading?

The science of reading is a huge collection of all the research about how our brains learn to read. This research shows that our brains learn to read best when skills are taught in 5 areas:

1. Phonemic Awareness
2. Phonics
3. Fluency
4. Vocabulary
5. Comprehension



## What can I do at home?

- Tell oral stories.
- Read books together.
- Talk about how the book might relate to their lives.
- Talk about longer words and their meaning.
- While out on the land, ask your child questions about what they observe.

## How can I help my child sound out words?

 Sound out the word, sound by sound

'fish' "f" – "i" – "sh")

 Say the word together again


"fish"

 Ask how many sounds the word has

'fish' has 3 sounds "f" – "i" – "sh"

 Break up long words into chunks

'dogsledding' "dog" – "sled" – "ing"

 Talk about the meaning of the word

"A herd is a large group of animals"

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