



RTI-When Students Don't Respond to Tier 1 Instruction

Tier 1 instruction in the RTI model is for students who do not have grade-level readiness skills. These students do not need direct intervention from an SLP. They need quality instruction in the classroom and to participate in prevention activities. Such prevention activities include classroom tutoring, specific homework assignments, and other ideas formulated by a child study team.

This diagram shows what services should be provided to a student who doesn't respond to Tier 1 instruction. On the left side, you'll see that students who receive Tier 2 instruction (targeted group intervention) also continue receiving Tier 1 instruction. If the student doesn't respond to Tier 2 instruction, Tier 3 direct intervention is recommended alongside continued Tier 1 instruction. With all three tiers, it's recommended that the school improvement or problem-solving team regularly discuss children involved in the RTI model.

