Core Skills Analysis

Reading Comprehension

- Amelia demonstrated an understanding of narrative structure by recognizing and completing key phrases of the sentences, indicating she grasped the story's main ideas.
- By reading in her head, she may have been processing the text internally, revealing an emerging skill in silent reading which can contribute to her overall fluency.
- Her tendency to only say the last words of sentences suggests she is learning to anticipate text endings, a foundational skill for making predictions while reading.
- Despite her resistance to reading aloud, her ability to participate in choral reading indicates she is starting to build confidence in her reading abilities in a group setting.

Social Skills

- Amelia's initial resistance to participate suggests she may need support in building confidence in social reading scenarios where collaboration is involved.
- Participating in a choral reading environment allows her to engage with peers, promoting overall social interaction and teamwork even when she was hesitant.
- Observing how her peers read aloud could help her learn appropriate expressions and pacing, contributing to her social and emotional development during shared activities.
- The activity might encourage her to share her thoughts about the story, providing her an opportunity to practice taking turns and making contributions in group discussions.

Phonemic Awareness

- By predicting the ending of sentences, Amelia is beginning to segment sounds in words, a key component of phonemic awareness crucial for future reading success.
- Her reading habit of saying only specific words may reflect an instinctive understanding of word patterns and sounds, highlighting her auditory discrimination skills.
- The rhythmic nature of choral reading helps reinforce her phonemic recognition, as she hears how sounds blend together when she joins in with her peers.
- Listening to others during the choral reading could strengthen her phonological skills, as she might pick up pronunciation and inflection cues from her classmates.

Tips

To enhance Amelia's reading experience, I suggest incorporating more interactive reading activities, such as using stories where she can choose characters to voice during choral reads. Additionally, encouraging repeated readings of familiar texts may help build her confidence. Pairing her with a reading buddy can also facilitate comfortable participation and lessen her initial resistance to reading aloud. Gradually increasing the complexity of the texts may align with her growing skills without overwhelming her.

Book Recommendations

- <u>Biscuit Goes to the Library</u> by Nancy Simonds: Join Biscuit, the lovable puppy, on his adventures in the library as he discovers the magic of books and reading.
- <u>The Library Lion</u> by Michelle Knudsen: A gentle story about a lion who loves to visit the library and the lessons learned about rules and friendship.
- <u>Dog on a Frog</u> by Jared Chapman: A humorous tale featuring a dog and other animals that fosters engagement through shared storytelling.