The Anatomy of a Reader

Vocabulary & Background Knowledge
“I learn new words and ideas. So, when I find them in books, I can relate.”

Phonological Awareness & Phonics
“I can hear the sounds within spoken words. And can sound them out when reading.”

Print Awareness
“I can hold a book, turn the page, and read in order.”

Letter & Word Recognition
“I can name many letters and words when I see them.”

Fluency
“I can read smoothly with speed, accuracy, and expression.”

Motivation
“I’ve found my reason to want to read.”

Learning to read is a full-body experience.