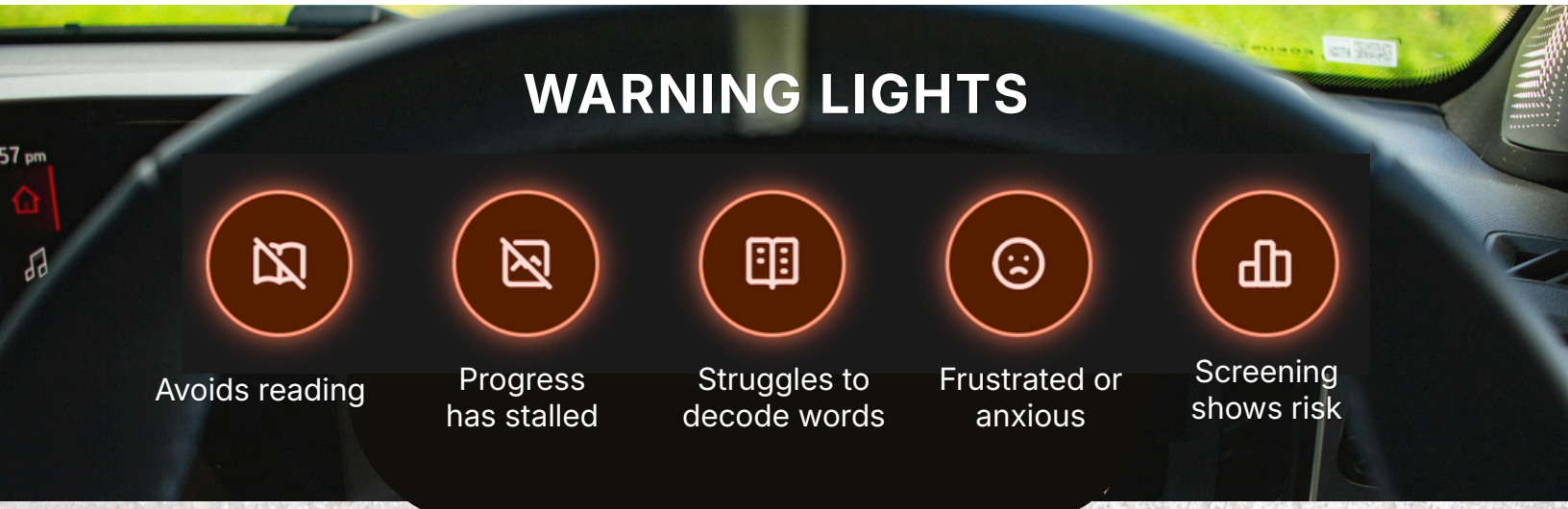
WHEN TO PULL OVER

ROUTE TO READING

SIGNS YOUR CHILD MAY NEED READING SUPPORT

Just like a check engine light signals it's time to stop and get help, certain signs in your child's reading development mean it's time to act.



WARNING LIGHTS

- Avoids reading
- Progress has stalled
- Struggles to decode words
- Frustrated or anxious
- Screening shows risk

KEY QUESTIONS TO ASK THE SCHOOL

- **What does screening data show about my child's needs?**
- **How is my child's reading being supported in class?**
- **What evidence-based interventions are being used?**
- **What support is available if my child is struggling?**
- **What accommodations does the school provide?**
- **What would happen if my child needs extra help?**
- **What happens next if progress stalls?**
- **How can we develop or adjust literacy goals together?**
- **What does my child need to learn next?**
- **How can I support these goals at home?**

National Center on Improving Literacy

For more free literacy resources, visit improvingliteracy.org.

The research reported here is funded by a grant to the National Center on Improving Literacy from the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, in partnership with the Office of Special Education Programs (Award #: H283D210004). The opinions or policies expressed are those of the authors and do not represent views of OESE, OSEP, or the U.S. Department of Education. You should not assume endorsement by the Federal government. Copyright © 2026 National Center on Improving Literacy.