Rapid Estimated of Adult Literacy in Medicine (REALM)

Patient:			
Examiner:	Date:	_/	/

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Instructions

After telling the patient you are trying to determine what material is best for her, say: "I want to hear you read as many words as you can from this list. Begin with the first word on list 1 and read aloud. When you come to a word you cannot read, do the best you can or say blank and go on to the next word"

If a pt. takes more than 5 seconds, say "blank" and move the patient along. If she begins to miss every word, tell her to just say the words she knows.

Count as an error any word not attempted or mispronounced. Score by making (+) for each correct word, (-) for each unattempted word, and (*) for each incorrect word.

Count the total number of correct words and record in the "Score Box". Match the total with its grade equivalent.

SCORE	
List 1	
List 2	
List 3	

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GRADE EQUIVALENT

Raw score	Grade Range
□ 0 – 18	3 rd grade and below- Needs illustrations, videos and tapes.
□ 19 – 44	4 th to 6 th Grade – Needs low literacy material; can't read rx bottles.
□ 45 − 60	7^{th} to 8^{th} Grade — Will struggle with most educational materials.
□ 61 – 66	High School – Will be able to read most materials.