**ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS FOR SCORING RUNNING RECORDS**

*Code all of the following behaviors on the running record, but note where they are not considered errors.*

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| **Behavior** | **How Scored** |
| Repeated error on same word (“is” for “said”) in different places in the text | one error each time – EXCEPT for proper names (“Tommy” for “Thomas”) – only one error for all uses |
| Unsuccessful multiple attempts on one word (went-want-what) | one error |
| Mispronounced word due to a speech or dialect variations | no error |
| Waits (pauses) can be coded (w) | no error |
| Contractions (“isn’t” for “is not”) | one error |
| Skipped line | each word counts as one error |
| There cannot be more errors than words on a page! So if there are more insertions or skipped words than words on the page, cap errors at the total words on the page.  |
| Skipped page – Subtract the number of words on that page from the total running words. |
| If a child invents the text, stop coding and write “inventing” on top of the form. |
| ***Always give the child the benefit of the doubt.***  |