



Lexiles

Parents often ask, “How can I find a book that is the right level for my child? Age and grade levels provided by the publisher may not be a good fit for students with language-based learning differences. Lexiles may help.

Lexiles use a readability formula to measure text difficulty. Parents and teachers can match the Lexile level of a book with the student’s Lexile score from certain reading tests. Your child’s MAP Growth report includes an estimated Lexile range based on the reading assessment. It is highlighted in gray.

Estimated Lexile: _____

To find a book at an appropriate reading level based on the Lexile Score:

- Go to www.lexile.com
- Enter the estimated Lexile
- Select areas of interest
- Click “Submit”

A word of caution: A book’s Lexile level does not tell us anything about the content or quality of the book. Please preview books to be sure they are appropriate for the individual’s age and stage.

Learning to read vs reading to learn:

Lexiles scores can be helpful to encourage independent reading for practice and enjoyment. To support reading on grade level, research validates the use of audio support to strengthen comprehension, vocabulary, and content knowledge.

We encourage you to investigate sources of audio books including:

- Local library – online checkout
- Learning Ally – human voices paired with highlighted text. See www.learningally.org for subscription information. First time subscribers may receive a discount when they are pre-certified.
- www.audible.com – theatrical recordings (membership or per book fee)
- GLASS: Georgia Library for Accessible Statewide Services
<https://georgialibraries.org/glass> Free for qualifying students.