THE LEXILE® FRAMEWORK FOR READING

Supporting the Georgia Standards of Excellence

Georgia Department of Education
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"Educating Georgia's Future"

Reading books that match your child's reading level can promote growth in his or her reading ability!

Reading standards are part of the English Language Arts (ELA) curriculum. The Georgia Standards of Excellence specify that students read and comprehend complex text at each grade level. For this reason, students in grades 3-8 and students taking high school courses in Ninth Grade Literature & Composition or American Literature & Composition receive a Lexile measure in addition to their scale score from the Georgia Milestones Assessment.

The Lexile® Framework for Reading is an educational tool that matches students with reading materials using a common measure called a Lexile® measure. The Lexile Framework involves a scale for measuring both reading ability of an individual and the text complexity of materials he or she encounters. The Lexile scale is like a thermometer, except rather than measuring temperature, the Lexile Framework measures a text's complexity and a reader's skill. When used together, Lexile reader measures and Lexile text measures help parents to select books, articles, and other materials that match their child's reading ability.

For more information on how Lexile measures can help to improve your child's reading ability, visit **www.gadoe.org/lexile.aspx**

About Lexile Measures

» A Lexile measure represents both a child's reading ability and the complexity of a text, such as a book or magazine article.

» Lexile measures provide you with valuable information about your child's reading ability and helps to optimize reading growth.

» Using "Find a Book," you can help your child choose books and other materials within his or her Lexile range (about 50L above to 100L below his or her Lexile measure).

» When your child reads text within his or her Lexile range, he or she is likely to comprehend enough of the text to make sense of it, while still being sufficiently challenged to maintain interest and learning.

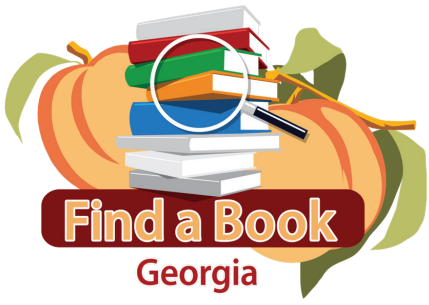| TEXT LEXILE RANGES TO GUIDE READING FOR COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS	
GRADES	LEXILE TEXT RANGE
1	190L–530L
2–3	420L–820L
4–5	740L–1010L
6–8	925L–1185L
9–10	1050L–1335L
11–12	1185L–1385L

» Lexile measures estimate the complexity of a text based on vocabulary and sentence length. Lexile measures do not evaluate other features of a book such as age-appropriateness, the book quality, the book's theme or other such characteristics.

» There is no direct correspondence between a specific Lexile measure and a specific grade level. However, guidelines for college and career readiness suggest that students should be reading within or beyond the Lexile ranges shown in the inset table.

» Lexile measures track reading growth over time and across content areas, no matter what grade your child is in.

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Using Lexile Measures to Support Reading Growth

Find a Book

The free **"Find a Book"** (Lexile.com/fab) is the quickest and easiest way to search for fiction and non-fiction titles at your child's Lexile level. Whether your child is reading for school or for pleasure, this tool will help you build custom reading lists on the subjects that interest your child the most—in five simple steps.

The **Lexile "PowerV" Word Selector** provides level-appropriate vocabulary lists for over 50,000 books. Vocabulary lists can be generated for the child's Lexile reader measure and/ or the book's Lexile text measure. Parents can access the PowerV tool by visiting an individual book detail page when performing a search using "Find a Book" or the Quick Book Search tool on Lexile.com. Parents can use the tool to identify words they might want to familiarize their children with prior to reading a book to increase comprehension.

The Georgia Department of Education worked with MetaMetrics®, developer of the Lexile Framework, to customize a **Lexile "map"** for Georgia. The map provides a graphic representation of texts and titles at various levels of reading ability. You can download a copy of the map at: www.gadoe.org/lexile.aspx

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PRINT
your child's
reading list

04
VIEW & REFINE
your child's
search results

03
PICK
your child's
interest categories

02
ENTER
your child's
Lexile measure

01
GO TO
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