

Lexile® Measures in Alabama



The Lexile Framework® for Reading will link to the Alabama Comprehensive Assessment Program in English Language Arts for grades 2-8 and high school and will begin reporting these measures from those assessments during the 2020-21 school year. Students in Alabama also may be receiving Lexile measures from a variety of different tests and programs used by local schools. With Lexile measures, educators and parents can spur and support student learning.

What Is a Lexile Measure?

There are two kinds of Lexile measures: Lexile reader measures and Lexile text measures. Lexile reader measures describe how strong a student’s reading is. Lexile text measures describe how difficult, or complex, a text like a book or magazine article is. Lexile measures are expressed as numbers followed by an “L” (for example, 850L), and range from below 0L for beginning readers and text to above 1600L for advanced readers and text. Comparing a student’s Lexile measure with the Lexile measure of what they are reading helps gauge the “fit” between a student’s ability and the difficulty of text.

Access [free Lexile tools](#) and resources to support reading at home and in school.

Lexile Tools and Resources

The Lexile® Hub

The Hub platform provides access to all Lexile tools that support student learning and growth in reading. Read tool descriptions below or visit the Hub at hub.lexile.com.

Lexile® Find a Book

Search among over half a million books using the Find a Book browser that:

- Offers previews of challenging words and their definitions for each book.
- Identifies the Lexile level and vocabulary by chapter for 1,600+ popular books.
- Searches by a student’s Lexile measure or range, grade level or interests.

Lexile Analyzer®

Paste or type in text of 1,000 words or less to discover:

- The Lexile range for the text.
- Challenging words highlighted in the text along with their definitions.
- Toggle to Spanish to paste or type text in Spanish and get a Lexile range.

Lexile® Career Database

Identify the Lexile level associated with the reading demands of a particular career.

Lexile® Measures Manager

Determine a student's optimal reading measure when two assessments have resulted in significantly differing Lexile measures.

Lexile® Grade Level Charts

View and print student Lexile measures by grade level. Filter your view by grade(s), time of year, and student population percentiles.

Additional Resources

[An Introduction to the Lexile Framework for Reading](#)

This 20-minute recording on the basic concepts and uses of The Lexile® Framework for Reading is the perfect resource for educators who are new to Lexile measures.

[Alabama Virtual Library](#)

Alabama residents have access to the Alabama Virtual Libraries. This database contains online newspaper and magazine articles to match students' Lexile ranges.

[Lexile® Map](#)

The Lexile Map provides examples of popular books and sample texts on the Lexile scale ranging from 200L for beginning reader books to 1600L for more advanced texts. It's a quick reference guide that helps to show what a Lexile measure represents.

[Lexile® Measures at Home](#)

This webpage contains topics and links that detail ways you can use a child's Lexile measure—and the Lexile measures of books and other reading materials—to foster literacy and learning at home.

[Summer Reading](#)

Improve reading during the summer months. Use Find a Book to build custom lists for readers at all ability levels, and then locate your selections at your local public library.