

Accelerated Reader Lace Hill Academy 2023



Accelerated Reader: A Guide for Parents



Year 2- 6 take part in the **Accelerated Reader** programme, which is designed to do the following things:

- Find books that are the right ability for your child
- Encourage your child to read more
- Improve your child's reading fluency and comprehension
- Improve the variety of genres that your child reads



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In this presentation, we will
cover:

1. Website
2. Star Tests
3. ZPD Range
4. Quizzing
5. Progress
6. How you can help at home

Website Access

- <https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/5564416>
- Children's log in information:
- Username: first letter of their first name and the first four characters of their surname. For example, **MBREW**
- Password: **ABC** (for every child)

Website

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Reading Practice Quiz: Buzzy Bee

Completed ✓



Reading Practice Quiz: Bert the Ugly Bug

Completed ✓



Reading Practice Quiz: Jack and the Beanstalk

Completed ✓

Star Tests

At the start of the year and at the end of every half term, every pupil will take a 20 minute **Star Test**, which is a computer-based test that measures a pupil's reading comprehension through a series of 34 questions.

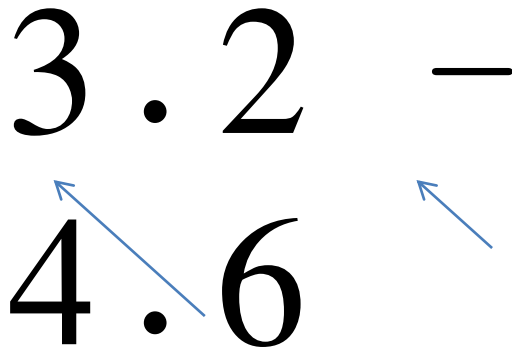
Every test for every pupil is different as the computer selects different questions for each pupil dependent on how well they answer the previous questions. Essentially, the computer adapts the test to suit your child. These will only take place in school.

Once the pupil has completed the test, the **ZPD range**.



ZPD Range

3.2 —
4.6



- ZPD is a range that children can use to select their book.
- The lowest number is the lowest level of book the child should be choosing.
- The highest number is the highest level of book the child should be choosing independently.
- ZPD ranges are recorded on your child's reading record.
- A new STAR test takes place every half term, so children can see improvements in their reading ability, but also choose more challenging books.

All the AR books in the library are colour-coded to help the child find the right one

0.0 to 1.9

7 – 7.9

Pupils should only choose books within their range and the colours make it easier for them to choose the right book.

2 to 2.9

8 – 8.9

If your child is feeling less confident, they should choose a book at the lower end of their ZPD range.

3 to 3.9

9 +

If your child is feeling less confident, they should choose a book at the higher end of their ZPD range.

4 to 4.9

5 to 5.9

The younger children are supported to do this by an adult in school.

6 to 6.9



AR Quizzes



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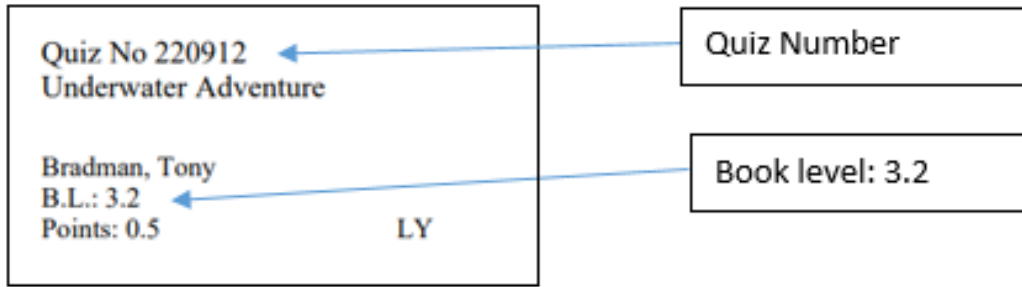
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Enter a Title, Author, Quiz Number, or Keyword

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AR Quizzes



A quiz is different to a STAR test because children only take a quiz **after** they have *finished* a book.

There are usually about 10 questions on the book that has been read. At the end of the quiz the children are given a percentage/score to show them how well they have done.

AR Quiz Guidelines



- 1) AR is not a memory test but rather measuring reading comprehension. They can have the book with them to help them answer the questions.
- 2) A child cannot take a quiz until they have read the entire text.
- 3) Quizzes are can be taken independently either at school or at home.

What happens if your child does not pass a quiz?

- They can only take the test once
- If they do not pass, they can keep the book to re-read and then choose another book (possibly at a slightly lower end of the range)

Progress and Targets



- Once in the programme, you can view your child's progress.
- It records how many words your child has read. It also displays all the books your child has read on the virtual bookshelf as well as looking at % fiction/non-fiction read.



Keep up the great work!

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My target is to be at **85%** or higher

QUIZZES PASSED

8

WORDS READ

2,395



Fiction Read: 79%

Non-fiction Read: 21%

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Title, Author, or Quiz Number

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Take a Vocabulary Quiz



How can I help?



- As with anything, performance improves with practice .
- Children should read at least 20 minutes a day with a 90% comprehension rate on AR quizzes see the greatest gains.
- Create a culture of reading in your household by reading with your child, visiting the local library, charity shop or bookshop on a regular basis and by letting your child see you reading .
- When reading with your child, enjoy having discussions – did they like the book? What happens? Which was the best bit? Favourite character?

ARBookFind.co.uk



It's not just books from the school that children can read, they can read books from home and take quizzes on them!

You can use ARBookFind.co.uk or search within the your child's AR homepage to check whether your child's current book is on Accelerated Reader.



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Questions
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