What is Lexile and Accelerated Reader?

Reading is a skill, and like every other skill, it requires practice. The more you read, the better you become at reading. Our Accelerated Reader (AR) Program is based on the fundamental principle that practice improves reading. To help achieve this skill, students read AR books and take computerized quizzes. The program assigns points for proficiency and monitors students' achievement. There are various rewards and prizes presented throughout the school year for students as they progress toward their individual AR point goals.

Students can only test on titles which have a corresponding AR test. There are currently over 150,000 quizzes and new quizzes are added each month. Books from home and the public library may very well have a corresponding AR quiz! Not sure if your book from home is AR? Visit this website to check: www.arbookfind.com

What is a Lexile? How Can I Improve my Child's Lexile Reading Level? A Lexile measure is one way to measure and monitor your child's reading level. Research has shown that maximum reading growth is achieved when children read books that are aligned with their reading level. You can use Lexile "Find a Book" (https://fab.lexile.com/) to help your child choose books within his/her Lexile range (best is 100 below or 50 above his/her Lexile measure).

In our school library we label our books with colored dots on the spine to help children find a book that is within their individual Lexile measure. We call these books "good fit" books. The following chart helps the students see the color dot that matches their Lexile reading level.

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Crooked River AR/Lexile Book Color Dots

	Lexile Rating	AR Grade Level		Lexile Rating	AR Grade Level	
Blue	25	1.1		675	3.9	**Yellow**
	50	1.1		700	4.1	
	75	1.2		725	4.3	
	100	1.2		750	4.5	
	125	1.3		775	4.7	
	150	1.3		800	5.0	**Pink**
	175	1.4		825	5.2	
	200	1.5		850	5.5	
	225	1.6		875	5.8	
	250	1.6		900	6.0	
	275	1.7		925	6.4	
	300	1.8		950	6.7	
	325	1.9		975	7.0	**Lime Green**
Dark Green	350	2.0		1000	7.4	
	375	2.1		1025	7.8	
	400	2.2		1050	8.2	
	425	2.3		1075	8.6	
	450	2.5		1100	9.0	
	475	2.6		1125	9.5	
	500	2.7		1150	10.0	
	525	2.9		1175	10.5	
Red	550	3.0		1200	11.2	
	575	3.2		1225	11.6	
	600	3.3		1250	12.3	
	625	3.5		1275	12.8	
	650	3.7		1300		

Important!

   To monitor your child's AR progress from home, Renaissance Place has a component called **Home Connect** that can be used outside of school at any computer that has internet. You can access Renaissance Home Connect by going to: https://hosted229.renlearn.com/56533/HomeConnect (or from the Crooked River Website under the media center tab)

Your child's user name: _____

Password: _____

   If you would like to receive emails to instantly inform you of your student's quiz or test results, click the "email set-up" link in the top right hand corner of Renaissance Home Connect and follow the directions.

   If you have any questions about the Accelerated Reader program please contact your child's teacher or Mrs. Markham, the CRES Media Specialist at (912) 673-6995.