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Reading Inventory Information

The Paulding County School District uses the Reading Inventory (RI) which is a low-stakes, classroom-based assessment designed to evaluate students' reading ability, monitor their reading progress, and match students to books at their reading level.

The RI is taken on a computer and lasts about 20 minutes. The types of questions a student receives and the results that are reported are based upon the student's grade level and reading level focusing on letter identification, phonics, and comprehension.

The results of RI assessments are used in a number of ways. First, a student's score on the test is used to determine the student's reading ability compared to grade-level performance standards. These determinations can help tailor appropriate reading instruction and set goals. The results of subsequent RI tests are then used to monitor progress over time. Student results are also used to match students to texts at their reading level, which helps to make reading rewarding, constructive, and enjoyable.

The RI Comprehension Test is measured by Lexile levels. A Lexile measure is a valuable piece of information about either an individual's reading ability or the difficulty of a text. The student's Lexile level is then placed into a performance level. The performance levels are described as:

- Advanced: students scoring in this range exhibit superior performance on grade-level appropriate skills and concepts.
- Proficient: students scoring in the range exhibit competent performance on grade-level performance skills and concepts.
- Basic: students scoring in this range exhibit minimally competent performance on grade-level skills and concepts.
- Below Basic: students scoring in this range do not exhibit minimally competent performance on grade-level skills and concepts.

Grade	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
K	NA	BR	0L to 275L	280L and Above
1	BR	0L to 185L	190L to 530L	535L and Above
2	BR to 215L	220L to 415L	420L to 650L	655L and Above
3	BR to 325L	330L to 515L	520L to 820L	825L and Above
4	BR to 535L	540L to 735L	740L to 940L	925L and Above
5	BR to 615L	620L to 825L	830L to 1010L	1015L and Above
6	BR to 725L	730L to 920L	925L to 1070L	1075L and Above
7	BR to 765L	770L to 965L	970L to 1120L	1125L and Above
8	BR to 785L	790L to 1005L	1010L to 1185L	1190L and Above
9	BR to 845L	850L to 1045L	1050L to 1260L	1265L and Above
10	BR to 885L	890L to 1075L	1080L to 1335L	1340L and Above
11-12	BR to 980L	985L to 1180L	1185L to 1365L	1370L and Above