

FLOYD MIDDLE SCHOOL



English Language Arts

Everything you need to know to excel in ELA

7TH GRADE ELA STAFF

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WHY READ 20 MINUTES A DAY?



Student A

Reads an average of
20 minutes per day



Student B

Reads an average of
5 minutes per day



Student C

Reads an average of
1 minute per day

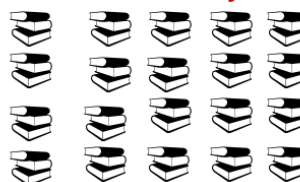
- 3,600 minutes per
school year
- Scores in the 90th
percentile on
standardized tests

- 900 minutes per school
year
- Scores in the 50th
percentile on
standardized tests

- 180 minutes per school
year
- Scores in the 10th
percentile on
standardized tests

By the end of the 6th grade student A, B, and C will have read the equivalent of :

60 schooldays



12 schooldays



3 schooldays



(Nagy and Herman, 1967)

WHAT IS A LEXILE SCORE?

A Lexile score is a number used to measure either the reading ability of a student or the difficulty of a novel/article/text.

WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATE LEXILE FOR MY STUDENT'S GRADE LEVEL?

1st Grade	-----	190 to 530
2nd Grade	-----	420 to 650
3rd Grade	-----	520 to 820
4th Grade	-----	740 to 940
5th Grade	-----	830 to 1010
6th Grade	-----	925 to 1070
7th Grade	-----	970 to 1120
8th Grade	-----	1010 to 1185
9th Grade	-----	1050 to 1260
10th Grade	-----	1080 to 1335

WHAT CAN I DO TO IMPROVE...?

MY LEXILE SCORE

- ☆ READ. Reading is the only way to increase your score.
 - ☆ You have the freedom to read whatever you want, but reading texts within or slightly above your Lexile will help bring it up.
- ☆ LISTEN TO READING. Use resources such as Audible.com, YouTube, and the Cobb County Public Library website!
- ☆ READ OUT LOUD. Practice reading to a friend, a stuffed animal, or your dog.
 - ☆ Reading out loud helps improve fluency and confidence.
- ☆ WRITE. Start a journal, write a story, or just write about your day!

MY ELA MILESTONES SCORE

- ☆ Scan the QR code below for your grade level Milestones Assessment Guide



7TH GRADE

- ☆ Use IXL.com to test yourself.
 - ☆ You can practice with 10 questions per standard!
- ☆ Khan Academy (<https://www.khanacademy.org/>) recently released an ELA version of their services.
- ☆ Quizlet is a wonderful resource where you can flip through note cards, play games with your text set, and quiz yourself.
 - ☆ You can make your own Quizlet with Vocabulary or practice questions OR you can search "Georgia Milestones Language Arts" and your grade level to find pre-made sets.

WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

Milestones Review:

- ☆ IXL.com
- ☆ Khanacademy.org
- ☆ Quizlet.com
- ☆ Quizizz.com
- ☆ Gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/ OR bit.ly/ga-milestones-review

Lexile Scores and Reading Level:

- ☆ Cobbcatt.org/librarypass/middle/
 - ☆ Login: Your Lunch Number
 - ☆ Password: Your Birthday in this format: MM/DD
- ☆ Audible.com
 - ☆ This service does require a subscription.
- ☆ YouTube.com
 - ☆ This service is FREE! Students can search any book title followed by "audio book" and there may be results.
 - ☆ Some newer, not as well-known books may not be available yet.
- ☆ Newsela.com
- ☆ CommonLit.com
- ☆ ReadTheory.org
- ☆ SpringBoard Online
 - ☆ Ask your teacher how to access this at home!
- ☆ Zinc Reading Labs
 - ☆ This is a website that can be accessed through SpringBoard Online

☆☆ One of the best resources you have is your teacher! Attend tutoring or ask for additional practice tests that only we have access to. ☆☆