



Accelerated
Reader

Accelerated Reader at The Firs

A guide for children



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Reading is so important!

The more that you read,
The more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
The more places you'll go.
-Dr. Seuss

- Reading helps us know about and understand our world
- Reading helps us unlock every part of the curriculum at school.
- Being a good reader will help you get a great job when you grow up.
- You will be able to enjoy great books!

Reading is the **KEY** to learning

Logging on

A screenshot of the Renaissance Accelerated Reader login page. The page has a dark blue header with the word "RENAISSANCE" in white. Below the header, the word "Student" is centered. There are two input fields for "User Name" and "Password". Below these fields is a "Log In" button with a right-pointing arrow. At the bottom, there are links for "Change Your Role" and "Forgot Your User Name?". The background of the page shows a blurred image of students in a classroom.

- Accelerated reader is online.
- You will log in using the same password and username that you use for Purple Mash.
- Make sure you have your Reading Record 'Fish' book in school (it has your passwords inside!)



Star Tests



- Accelerated Reader uses 'Star Tests' to get an idea of what books are right for you.
- The Star Tests are done at school and take about half an hour.
- There are 34 questions. The 1st 10 are 'missing word' questions, the rest are about reading a few sentences and choosing the answer from a list.
- The test is timed and a little clock pops up to warn you when your time is running out.

Your ZPD!



- The Star Test tells us what books are right for you.
- All the AR books have a **blue** label on the spine and a white label inside.
- The labels tell you the **BL** or **book level**.
- Your **Z**one of **P**roximal **D**evelopment or **ZPD** is the range of book levels that are best for you.

Finding out your ZPD!



- We will give you a sticker with your **ZPD** to stick in your Reading Record (fish!) Book.
- The **ZPD** is a range...
1.5 - 2.5 or **2.3 - 3.3** etc.
- You should choose books with a **BL** in that range.



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Finding out your ZPD!

- Let's look at a **ZPD** ...

1.5 - 2.5

- The possible **BL** of books you could read would be...

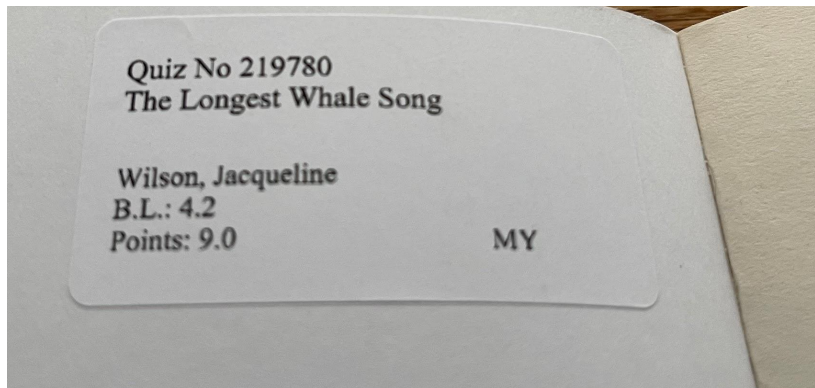
1.5 1.6 1.7 1.8 1.9 2.0 2.1 2.2 2.3 2.4 2.5

- 2.0** is half way and would be a good place to try!



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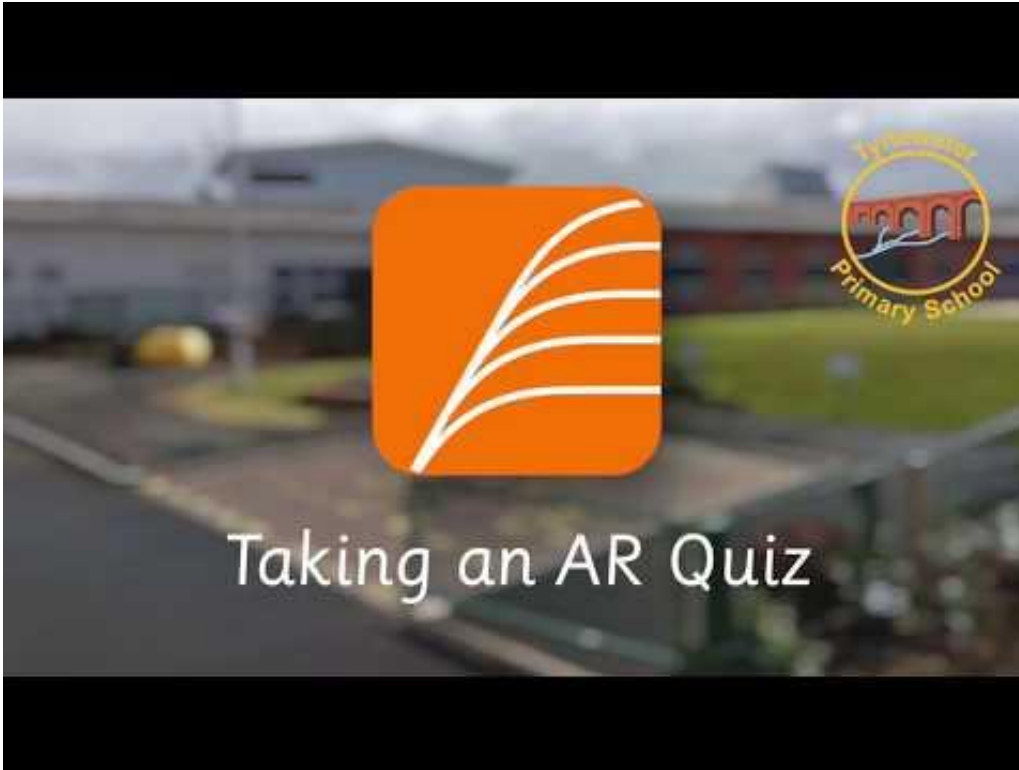
Points, Author, Quiz no!



Write the title of the book in your Reading Record (Fish!) Book.

- Inside the front cover there is a white label.
- This label has...
 - The BL number (like on the blue spine label)
 - The title and author
 - The points the book is worth
 - The quiz number
- You will need the quiz number after finishing the book!

Time to Quiz!



- After finishing a book you will need to do the **quiz**.
- It asks you questions about the book. **You need to have read it carefully to answer!**
- You need to log in to AR and click on the orange Accelerated Reader button. This video will help!
- You will have 3, 5, 10 or 20 questions to answer.

Recording Your Reading



- After finishing the **quiz**. There will be a sheet in class to tick to show you have completed your quiz.
- You need to find a new book and get your Home School Record (Fish!) book.
- Find the page for this week and add the new book title.

Choosing your next book

Sticker on book	Book Levels	Colour
	0.0 - 0.9	White
	1.0 - 1.9	Turquoise
	2.0 - 2.9	Brown
	3.0 - 3.9	Cream
	4.0 - 4.9	Silver
	5.0 - 5.9	Gold
	6.0 +	Black

- After completing your **Quiz**. You need to choose a new book.
- You will choose from your **ZPD** range again.
- To help you, books have been organised by their **BL** numbers into labelled colour groups.
- The colour label is next to the **Blue** BL label on the book spine.

30 minutes a day!!



- Research has shown that **30** minutes or more a day of reading builds success!
- You will do **15** minutes '**Quiet Reading Time**' a day at school.
- That means **15** minutes reading a day **at home!!**

Reading Megastars!



- AR tracks how many points you have earned, words you have read and your % correct in quizzes.
- The good news is you will collect a DOJO point for quizzing!
- If you are trying hard and/or achieving well your teacher may award you with a Megastar Card, to go up on our Reading Megastars Board!

Rewarding Certificates!



- AR tracks how many points you have earned, words you have read and your % correct in quizzes
- If you are trying hard and/or achieve your targets, you will be awarded an AR certificate of achievement in assembly.