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Literacy Pro Practices and Procedures

Scholastic Literacy Pro is a research-based, online assessment literacy resource that provides teachers with evidence-based data so they are informed when making teaching and learning decisions to develop their students into successful, proficient readers.

Scholastic Literacy Pro, aids readers for success through:

Powerful

Reading

Opportunities

The three critical functions of Literacy Pro are:



Assess readers' ability and text complexity on the Lexile developmental scale.

Inform teachers about reading performance compared to norm-referenced data.

Develop readers' skills through targeted reading of the right books.

(Scholastic Learning Zone, 2015)

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Literacy Pro is powered by Lexile levelling. Lexile measures are based on over thirty years of research and are the most widely adopted measure of reading level and text difficulty. A Lexile is a unit of measurement used when determining the difficulty of text and the reading level of readers.

Educators and students use Lexile measures to select books at a level that will challenge students – not so difficult as to be frustrating, but difficult enough to encourage reading development.

The LitPro Test is a computer-adaptive test that measures a student's reading comprehension using authentic passages from fiction and non-fiction texts. The student receives a Lexile measure when he or she completes the LitPro Test. The LitPro Test adjusts the level of difficulty of the items until the student demonstrates consistent accuracy at his/her Lexile level.

Lexile to Year Level Correspondence

Year Level Reader Measures

- 1 - Up to 300L
- 2 - 140L to 500L
- 3 - 330L to 700L
- 4 - 445L to 810L
- 5 - 565L to 910L
- 6 - 665L to 1000L

(The Lexile Framework for Reading, 2015)

(Scholastic Learning Zone, 2015)

At **Braeside Primary School**, Literacy Pro is used for students in Years Four to Six, on an identified needs basis. Over the course of the year, students will take the LitPro Test on **two** occasions to determine and/or review their Lexile level. It is an online test, only undertaken at school, fully supervised by a staff member. The test needs to be completed under appropriate 'testing' conditions where the students are able to focus without noise and distractions.

1. Students who have achieved a 20 PM Reading Level, or as determined by the classroom teacher, are able to sit the test.

2. The test involves multiple choice questions. The computer automatically steps questions up or down in difficulty according to student responses. It is unique for each student as it assesses their reading ability and comprehension. On completion of the test, a Lexile Level is awarded to each student.

3. Students using Lexiles will select, borrow and read books from the Lexile Library, within their range, on a regular basis.

4. Once a student has read a Lexile book, they complete a Lexile Quiz. The Lexile Quiz contains ten multiple choice questions. Immediate positive feedback is given on completion of the test and points awarded if the test is passed.

5. If a student scores a mark of seven or more, out of ten, in the Lexile Quiz, they are deemed to have passed and may choose another book from the Lexile Library. If a pass mark is not achieved, at the teacher's discretion, the student rereads the book and re-sits the Quiz.

6. The Lexile Quiz is to be completed at school at the discretion of individual classroom teachers.

Options include:

before school, during Silent Reading or during the class literacy rotations.

7 Students are only permitted to sit one Lexile Quiz per day.

8. Parents can log on to Literacy Pro at home to look at their child's progress, achievement, books read etc.

9. The Lexile Library is separate to the School Library.

10. The Lexile level books range from 100 to 1 000+.

11. Classroom teachers will monitor and track the reading progress of each child throughout the year.
12. Award level certificates for students will be presented at fortnightly Monday Mini-Assemblies.
13. Students will have access to classroom computers and/or iPads to complete the Lexile Quizzes.
14. Classroom teachers will record each student's Lexile Level as part of their ongoing evaluation and assessment.
15. Rewards will be given out for points received at 20,40,60,80, 100, 150 and each additional 50 points with 150 being a book prize with acknowledgement at assembly. Additionally, students in the Lexile program will receive a termly reward prize for receiving 25 points each term. There will be an additional end of year reward of a trip to the Kulin Water Slide for a day. Students who achieve the term reward for 2 of the 4 terms will be eligible to attend the end of year event. This event will be paid for by the school.

Classroom expectations

One rotation in literacy block is allocated to a lexile rotation. In this time, students will read their lexile book and take quiz when they have finished. They will also be able to access the library if required to change their book.

Ipad or computer will be available before school for students to access the Lit Pro site **at the discretion of the class teacher.**

A class chart showing points from quizzes to be visible for students to track their progress.

A Book Share session will be held twice a week for students to share the book they are currently reading with each other.