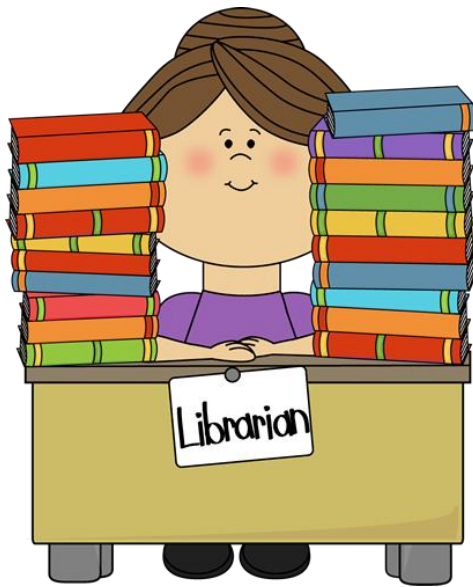


Accelerated Reader



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What is Accelerated Reader (AR)?

Accelerated Reader (AR) is a program designed to encourage students to read. AR tests student comprehension of books they have read using an online computer program.



Goals and Points

- ▶ Your child's teacher assigns a points goal to each student for each nine week grading period.
- ▶ Most books in our library have an AR test available. These books are marked with a sticker to show the AR book level and AR point value.
- ▶ Each book has a point value, which is the maximum number of points that can be earned from that book, if the student scores 100% on the quiz.



Are there tests on books from home or the public library?

- ▶ Yes! Our district subscribes to the online AR program, which means our students have access to every AR test available.
- ▶ Visit <http://arbookfind.com> to see if your book has a test.



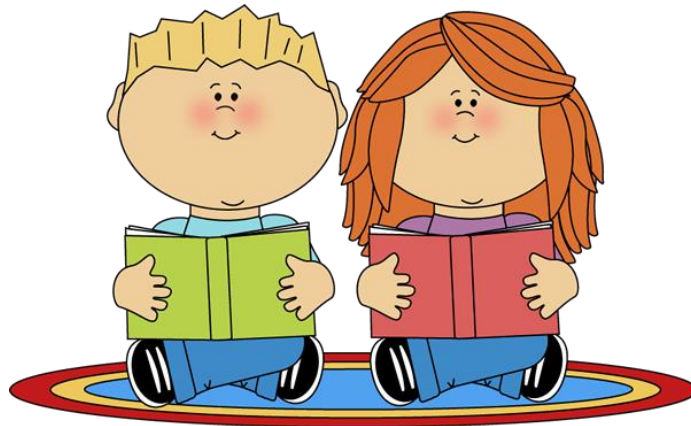
When can my child take tests?

- ▶ AR tests can only be taken at school in the child's classroom. If you read a book from home, please send a note to school with the title and author in case your child needs help finding the test.
- ▶ Students may only take AR tests during designated times in their classroom with their teacher's permission. This will vary by teacher.



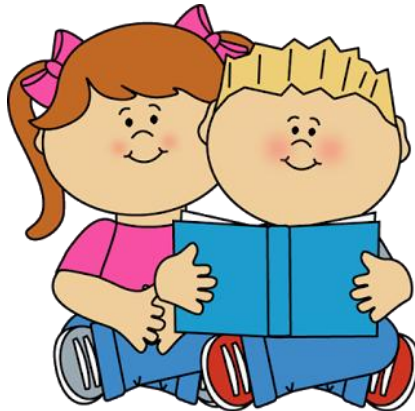
Does my child have to answer every question correctly to get points?

- ▶ To get the full amount of points available for that book, all questions must be correct.
- ▶ Partial credit will be awarded for answering most of the questions correctly.
- ▶ Our school strives to have an overall average of 85% or higher for all students.



Accelerated Reader Rules

- ▶ AR is done school wide starting in 1st grade.
- ▶ Teachers will send home an AR Goals sheet at the beginning of each 9 Weeks listing the child's new Reading Range and Target Points for that marking period.
- ▶ Unless students have prior permission from their teacher, he/she may not take tests on books out of their reading level.
- ▶ Do not take a test if you've only "seen the movie".



Accelerated Reader Rules

- ▶ You must read the entire book before taking a test on it. If it's a picture book or nonfiction book you need to read it a couple times before you take a test. Nonfiction books should be read slowly and carefully because they are written to give information and may be more difficult to remember.
- ▶ Do not help other students with their tests.



What happens if my child meets his/her goals?

- ▶ Each teacher will decide on how he/she wishes to reward or acknowledge students who meet their personal goals.
- ▶ If a student meets their goal they will be acknowledged at the 9 Weeks Award Ceremony and given a Reading Award pin to put on their lanyard. Lanyards are left at school.



How can I find out how many points my child has?

- ▶ Log into AR Home Connect (letters were sent home in Communication Folders) using your child's username and password.
- ▶ Home Connect allows you to see which books your child has tested on, their scores, and their progress toward their AR goal! You can also set it up so you receive an email every time your child takes an AR test.

