



What is Accelerated Reader (AR)?

- Accelerated Reader is a computer-based program that schools use to monitor reading practice and progress.
- It helps teachers guide kids to books that are at their individual reading levels. Their zone of proximal development (ZPD) is determined by their STAR reading assessment.
- Kids take short quizzes after reading a book to check if they've understood it & earn points.

What are Grade Level Goals?

- Each grade level has a quarterly AR goal that is based on 20 minutes of silent reading per school day.
- Grades 2-6 participate in AR every quarter. 1st grade begins in the second quarter.
- Meeting the AR goal is a quarterly reading grade.
- Students who meet their AR goal get to participate in a school wide reward each quarter.

When can students take AR tests?

- Each classroom has iPads available for students to take AR tests during their free time.
- Students may also take AR tests in the library.

What resources are available to help my student with AR?

- Miss Valerie, our librarian, is a great resource! She loves to help students find high interest books in their reading range.
- The library is open after school every day except Thursday.
- You can log on to [HomeConnect](#) at any time to view your student's progress.
- There is an app called BookScanner that will allow you to scan a book to see if it is an AR book and view the reading level. (Only available for iPhone and iPad.)