



Welcome

**Let's learn about
AR (Accelerated
Reader)**



What the session will cover:

- What is Accelerated Reader?
- Why do we use it? Impact.
- New platform and user area.
- How the pupils' progress in reading is shown.
- How you can support them and track their progress.
- Some useful top tips.

Accelerated Reader by **RENAISSANCE**

- ❑ An online reading program linked to our school library that monitors reading practice and progress (individually and group based) across Years 5-8.
- ❑ It helps teachers guide children to books that are at their individual reading levels.
- ❑ Children take short quizzes after reading a book to check if they've understood it. This can be done at home and at school with their username and password.
- ❑ We have a unique school website address for AR, which is below <https://global-zone61.renaissancego.com/welcomeportal/2249950>



Quick link- school website and click on Accelerated Reader. Always takes you to the right page.

Please, don't use the web link in the planner as this was done prior to the unique school website changing!

Why have we used Accelerated Reader for the past nine years?

- Improved reading ages at individual and class level.
- Motivates all pupils, particularly boys, to read more often and encourage reading for pleasure.
- League tables and striving to become a word millionaire adds to the competitive edge, which supports pupils to engage with the program.
- AR quizzes have helped staff/pupils massively, as well as parents, to ascertain how well your child has understood a particular book.
- Parental feedback has been very positive over the years since its introduction. Some have said that AR had completely turned their child's reading in a positive way.
- Parents can see the progress of their child's reading- success in quizzes and when they are taking them with their own login (access details to follow).
- More recently, the opportunity to do non-fiction based reading with the articles has engaged pupils a lot more.

Using the link from the school website or typing the full web address, leads you here.....

Renaissance

See Every Student.

Codsall Middle School

Choose Your Role



I'm a Student



I'm a Teacher/
Administrator

Codsall Middle School

Student Log In

I'm not a student



[Forgot Password?](#)

Log In

Once you log in, this is a typical page of information you would see...

Renaissance

Home

Practice

Accelerated Reader

Star Assessments

English

Star Reading

This is where they click to quiz



School use only in blue/yellow



Assignments

Showing: All Assignments From: Everyone

	Reading Practice Quiz: Nevertell Gooday, James	Completed ✓
	Reading Practice Quiz: Ghostcloud Gooday, James	Completed ✓
	Reading Practice Quiz: Julius Zebra: Rumble with the Romans Gooday, James	Completed ✓
	Reading Practice Quiz: The Castle of Tangled Magic Gooday, James	Completed ✓
	Reading Practice Quiz: Running Out of Time Gooday, James	Completed ✓

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A complete guide to all the quizzes taken. Click on them for more details.



Click this link to set up your email updates as a parent



For Parents and Guardians

Get Email Updates
Track your child's work

Email Updates

Add up to six people to track  progress on activities completed in the Renaissance products selected under Preferences below.


New Email Details

Name

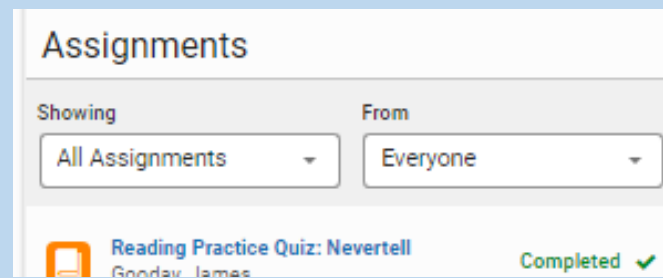
Email Address to Receive Updates

Confirm Email Address

Email Notifications Preferences

Choose which assignments you would like to receive email updates for 

Accelerated Reader — Quizzes to show how well students understand the books they're reading



This is what you see if you click on one of their quizzes in their record....

RENAISSANCE

Accelerated Reader

Your class: 6 MOW 2023-24

Home Help James Goody

Reading Progress

< Back

You passed this quiz!

80%

8 of 10 Correct

4.8 Points Earned

42231 Words Read

The Emperor's Code
By Gordon Korman

ATOS Book Level: 5.3

Lexile Book Level: 730L

Points: 6

Interest Level: MY

Quiz Number: 220312 EN

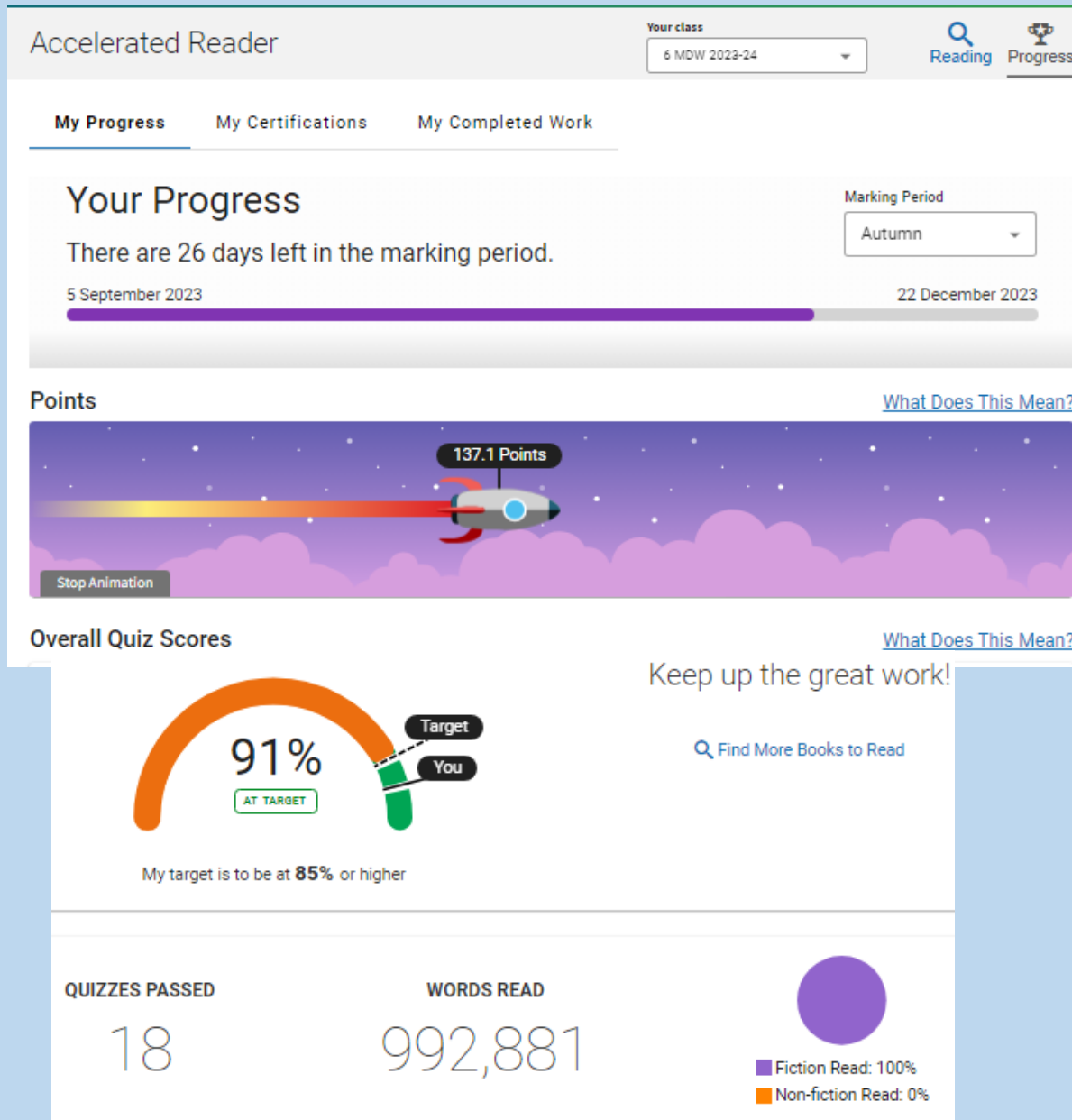
My Rating: ★★☆☆ Very Good

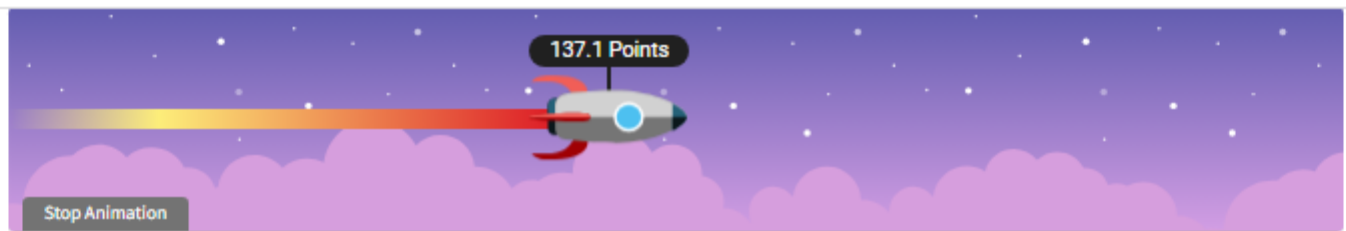
View TOPS Report

Their ZPD book level. They have a range given to them by their teacher from their star reading test (it will be a lower number to an upper number e.g. 4.2-6.6).

Quick number that they can type in to search for a specific book to quiz on (if the author and title is not working).

When you click on 'progress....'





Overall Quiz Scores

[What Does This Mean?](#)



Keep up the great work!

[Find More Books to Read](#)

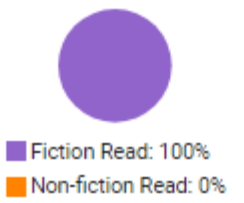
My target is to be at **85%** or higher

QUIZZES PASSED

18

WORDS READ

992,881



Star Unified Scores

STAR Reading

1133

My Progress

My Certifications

My Completed Work

Total Points: 575.2

Title, Author, or Quiz Number



November 2023



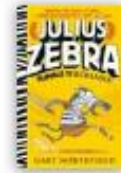
Score: 100%

Reading Practice Quiz



Score: 100%

Reading Practice Quiz



Score: 100%

Reading Practice Quiz



Score: 100%

Reading Practice Quiz



Score: 100%

Reading Practice Quiz

October 2023



Score: 60%

Reading Practice Quiz



Score: 80%

Reading Practice Quiz



Score: 90%

Reading Practice Quiz



Score: 70%

Reading Practice Quiz



Score: 100%

Reading Practice Quiz

If you click here, it will bring up all the books read, when you did it and how you got on.

My Targets

My Certifications

My Completed Work

Total Points: 153.4

Title, Author, or Quiz Number



**The Many Worlds of
Albie Bright**

Score: **100%**

Reading Practice Quiz

July 2024



**Harry Potter and the
Chamber of Secrets**

Score: **100%**

Reading Practice Quiz

Home

Practice



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From

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Get Email Updates

Track your child's work

When you click here, it will bring you to this page overleaf.....

Search for Books, Articles, or Quizzes

Enter a Title, Author, Quiz Number, or Keyword

Search

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Articles you can read right now



Explore Frida Kahlo's
Mexico City



Earth as Art: How Did
Nature Do That?



Inside Black Holes



Early Americans Went to
Great Lengths to Get
Caffeine



Will Soda Lovers Drink to
Less Sugar?

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Discover Books

Top Book Ideas In Your Reading Range: 4.7 - 9.6



Sting the Scorpion Man
by Adam Blade



The Land of Stories: A
Grimm Warning
by Chris Colfer



The Blood of Olympus
by Rick Riordan



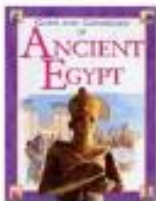
Ferno vs Epos
by Adam Blade



Amictus vs Tagus
by Adam Blade

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Non-fiction Book Ideas



Gods and Goddesses of
Ancient Egypt
by Leon Ashworth



Egypt
by Shahrulk Husain



Ancient Egyptian Myths
by Kristine Carlson
Assell



Egyptian Myths
by Eric Braun



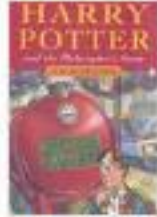
Isis: Queen of the
Egyptian Gods
by Amie Jane Leavitt

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Award Winning Book Ideas



Coraline
by Neil Gaiman



Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone
by J.K. Rowling



Matilda (English)
by Roald Dahl



Small Change for Stuart
by Libba Evans



Dragon Mountain
by Katie Tsang

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Discover Articles Top Article Ideas For You



We're Running Out of Chocolate



Why Charging for Plastic Bags Makes People Gi...



Napoleon in His Study



What Makes Day Old Water Taste Funny?



Scientists are Trying to Figure Out if Humans C...



Chocolate Destinations Around the Worl...

There will be updates in school and on the English site on the website for book ideas.



Recommended
Reads in KS2





Are you a parent? If your school makes the **Get Email Updates** link available at the top of the page, you can select it and choose to receive emails whenever your child takes Accelerated Reader quizzes or Star tests. You can also see your child's Star scores on the My Targets tab. To look up books that have Accelerated Reader quizzes, go to <https://www.arbookfind.co.uk> (UK) or <https://www.arbookfind.com.au> (Australia).

FAQ

1) Why does my child have a book which seems significantly easier than ones they have been reading?

Your child is likely to have completed their star reader and it has registered them as having a ZPD range to access in the library. The idea is that they start from near to the lower number in their ZPD and work their way up to the higher end and beyond. If they are having success with that first book, then there is no reason why they cannot motor up to those higher numbers and stretch themselves. Remember, it is how they comprehend what they are reading and not the individual words and the ability to read them. Their first book should be towards the bottom end of their ZPD to get starting on the program.

2) Why can't my child do a quiz on their book?

This is likely to be because the book is not linked to an Accelerated Reader quiz. There are many titles that are but some pupils will be disappointed when it is not on there. It can be requested to AR but it is not instant!

3) What is a ZPD? How are they worked out?

The Zone of Proximal Development gives us an idea where their reading lies between two different parameters. It is worked out when they do their online star reading test and the test adapts to their answers to questions.

4) Why are they not passing quizzes?

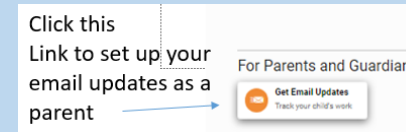
This is because pupils have either; rushed the quiz, rushed finishing the book, not finished the book or quizzed on something they read ages ago. Be mindful that what they are reading is not below their ZPD- this would be a backward step!

5) Can they read home books?

We allow pupils to read books from home, particularly if they have a wide range at home or they can't find one in the library. If this is above their ZPD range, we encourage them to read it but would ask them to ensure it is pitched at the right level and they can cope with it. The proof would be in how they get on with the quiz and their success.

As a parent, how can you help?

1. Register your email for updates on their login.
2. Challenge them if no updates have been given.
3. Access their overview of reading- have a discussion about the books and what they enjoyed. Discuss their scores.
4. Listen to them read (where possible)- is the book pitched at the right level for them?
5. Listen to them read (where possible)- ask some questions to test their retrieval and inference skills.
6. Set some challenges of pages to get to by a certain time.
7. When they log in to AR, check that they have finished the book before quizzing. Always quiz within 48 hours of finishing a book.
8. Encourage them to read articles as well as books.
9. Encourage the use of quizzing at home.
10. Encourage them to use AR Book Finder.
11. Set them mini challenges of meaning tasks, new vocabulary or summarising information, etc.



Any further questions?