

LEXILE LEVELS

THE LEXILE MEASURE IS A READING ABILITY OR TEXT DIFFICULTY SCORE FOLLOWED BY AN “L” (E.G., “850L”). THE LEXILE SCALE IS A DEVELOPMENTAL SCALE FOR READING RANGING FROM 200L FOR BEGINNING READERS TO ABOVE 1700L FOR ADVANCED TEXT.

The Lexile **reader** measure tells where a person’s reading ability is on the Lexile scale. Reader measures are reported from 0L (0 Lexiles) to 2000L (2000 Lexiles). The Lexile scale is a scale for reporting reading ability, so a higher number means a higher level of reading ability. A reader measure is usually obtained by having the reader take a test of reading comprehension. The reader’s score on the test is reported as a Lexile measure. Readers who score below 0L receive a score of BR (Beginning Reader).

The Lexile **text** measure tells where a book’s readability is on the Lexile scale. Text measures, like reader measures, are reported from 0L (0 Lexiles) to 2000L (2000 Lexiles). Scores below 0L are reported as BR, which indicates that the text is at a level appropriate for a Beginning Reader. The lower a book’s Lexile measure, the easier it will likely be to comprehend. For example, a text with a Lexile measure of 850L will most likely be easier for a reader to comprehend than a text with a 950L measure.

LEXILE	GRADE LEVEL
200L	1
350L	2
550L	3
700L	4
800L	5
900L	6
1000L	7
1100L	9
1150L	10
1200L	11
1250L	12

AVERAGE YEARLY LEXILE GROWTH

MIDDLE SCHOOL 75 POINTS

HIGH SCHOOL 50 POINTS

