

## Goal-Setting Chart

Use the chart and guidelines below to help plan goals for your students based on their reading levels and amount of daily reading practice.

### Identify ZPD

Get each student's Grade Equivalent (GE) score from a standardized assessment, such as STAR Reading, or estimate a GE based on past performance. The corresponding ZPD is a recommended book-level range for the student. If books in that range seem too hard or easy for the student, choose a new range or create a wider one that better matches his abilities.

### Set Goals

**Average percent correct**—The most important goal for all students is to average 85% or higher on Reading Practice Quizzes. Meeting this goal has

significant impact on students' reading growth. If a student struggles to maintain the minimum average, talk to her and find out why. Then decide on an appropriate strategy to help her succeed.

**Point goals**—The chart shows the number of points students are expected to earn depending on how much time they read and at what levels. These are estimates—set goals that are realistic for your individual students.

### Provide Daily Reading Practice

Recommendations for independent readers:

- Elementary school—60 minutes
- Middle school (6th–8th)—45 minutes\*
- High school (9th–12th)—30 minutes\*

*\* Students reading below grade level need at least 60 minutes of daily reading practice.*

| Grade-Equivalent Score | Suggested ZPD | 60 Min. Daily Practice |                    |                    | 45 Min. Daily Practice |                    |                    | 30 Min. Daily Practice |                    |                    |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
|                        |               | Points per Week        | Points per 6 Weeks | Points per 9 Weeks | Points per Week        | Points per 6 Weeks | Points per 9 Weeks | Points per Week        | Points per 6 Weeks | Points per 9 Weeks |
| 1.0                    | 1.0 – 2.0     | 1.7                    | 10                 | 15                 | 1.3                    | 7.5                | 11.3               | 0.9                    | 5.0                | 7.5                |
| 1.5                    | 1.5 – 2.5     | 1.9                    | 11                 | 17                 | 1.4                    | 8.3                | 12.8               | 1.0                    | 5.5                | 8.5                |
| 2.0                    | 2.0 – 3.0     | 2.1                    | 13                 | 19                 | 1.6                    | 9.8                | 14.3               | 1.1                    | 6.5                | 9.5                |
| 2.5                    | 2.3 – 3.3     | 2.3                    | 14                 | 21                 | 1.7                    | 10.5               | 15.8               | 1.2                    | 7.0                | 10.5               |
| 3.0                    | 2.6 – 3.6     | 2.5                    | 15                 | 23                 | 1.9                    | 11.3               | 17.3               | 1.3                    | 7.5                | 11.5               |
| 3.5                    | 2.8 – 4.0     | 2.7                    | 16                 | 24                 | 2.0                    | 12.0               | 18.0               | 1.4                    | 8.0                | 12.0               |
| 4.0                    | 3.0 – 4.5     | 2.8                    | 17                 | 25                 | 2.1                    | 12.8               | 18.8               | 1.4                    | 8.5                | 12.5               |
| 4.5                    | 3.2 – 5.0     | 3.2                    | 19                 | 29                 | 2.4                    | 14.3               | 21.8               | 1.6                    | 9.5                | 14.5               |
| 5.0                    | 3.4 – 5.4     | 3.5                    | 21                 | 32                 | 2.6                    | 15.8               | 24.0               | 1.8                    | 10.5               | 16.0               |
| 5.5                    | 3.7 – 5.7     | 3.9                    | 23                 | 35                 | 2.9                    | 17.3               | 26.3               | 2.0                    | 11.5               | 17.5               |
| 6.0                    | 4.0 – 6.1     | 4.2                    | 25                 | 39                 | 3.2                    | 18.8               | 29.3               | 2.1                    | 12.5               | 19.5               |
| 6.5                    | 4.2 – 6.5     | 4.6                    | 28                 | 41                 | 3.5                    | 21.0               | 30.8               | 2.3                    | 14.0               | 20.5               |
| 7.0                    | 4.3 – 7.0     | 4.9                    | 29                 | 44                 | 3.7                    | 21.8               | 33.0               | 2.5                    | 14.5               | 22.0               |
| 7.5                    | 4.4 – 7.5     | 5.3                    | 32                 | 48                 | 4.0                    | 24.0               | 36.0               | 2.7                    | 16.0               | 24.0               |
| 8.0                    | 4.5 – 8.0     | 5.6                    | 34                 | 50                 | 4.2                    | 25.5               | 37.5               | 2.8                    | 17.0               | 25.0               |
| 9.0                    | 4.6 – 9.0     | 6.3                    | 38                 | 57                 | 4.7                    | 28.5               | 42.8               | 3.2                    | 19.0               | 28.5               |
| 10.0                   | 4.7 – 10.0    | 6.9                    | 41                 | 62                 | 5.2                    | 30.8               | 46.5               | 3.5                    | 20.5               | 31.0               |
| 11.0                   | 4.8 – 11.0    | 7.6                    | 46                 | 68                 | 5.7                    | 34.5               | 51.0               | 3.8                    | 23.0               | 34.0               |
| 12.0                   | 4.9 – 12.0    | 8.3                    | 50                 | 75                 | 6.2                    | 37.5               | 56.3               | 4.2                    | 25.0               | 37.5               |

# Reader Certification Levels and Criteria

*Available when using AR 6.3*

## **Ready Reader**

Accumulate 5 points through any combination of Read To and Read With

## **Independent Reader**

Read independently and pass Reading Practice Quizzes for:

- 3 books
- 1.2 book level or higher

Accumulate 10 points (includes points for the 3 books; other points may be for Read To and Read With)

## **Rising Reader**

Read independently and pass Reading Practice Quizzes for:

- 3 books
- 1.6 book level or higher

Accumulate 10 points in independent reading (includes points for the 3 books)

## **Super Reader**

Read independently and pass Reading Practice Quizzes for:

- 3 books
- 2.0 book level or higher
- worth 1 point or more each

## **Advanced Reader**

Read independently and pass Reading Practice Quizzes for:

- 3 books
- 3.0 book level or higher
- worth 2 points or more each

## **Star Reader**

Read independently and pass Reading Practice Quizzes for:

- 3 books
- 4.0 book level or higher
- worth 4 points or more each

## **Classic Reader**

Read independently and pass Reading Practice Quizzes for:

- 3 books
- 6.0 level or higher
- worth 7 points or more each

## **Honors Reader**

Read, pass Reading Practice quizzes, and accumulate 100 points for books from a list of challenging, teacher-selected literature (you create the lists for your students)

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## **Diagnostic Report Codes**

## **Probable Meaning**

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| <b>A:</b> No quizzes taken                        | Student is not reading or is not present          |
| <b>B:</b> Low average percent correct (70–79%)    | Student is reading too fast or book is too hard   |
| <b>C:</b> Very low average percent correct (<70%) | Student is guessing or book is too hard           |
| <b>D:</b> Low points                              | Student is not reading enough, or passing quizzes |
| <b>E:</b> Low percent correct, high points        | Student is pushing too hard for points            |
| <b>F:</b> Very low percent correct, high points   | Student may be guessing or cheating               |
| <b>%:</b> Average percent correct below 85%       | Student is reading too fast or book is too hard   |