Assessments

DRA

The Developmental Reading Assessment is a set of individually administered criterion-referenced reading assessments for students in kindergarten through grade 8. Assessments are conducted during one-on-one reading conferences as children read specially selected assessment tests. The DRA is designed to inform and shape instruction.

Scholastic Reading Inventory

The Scholastic Reading Inventory (SRI) test is used to determine each student's reading ability, using lexile scores as a measure. The SRI is a computer adaptive assessment instrument for grades 1-12 that allows educators to assess reading comprehension.
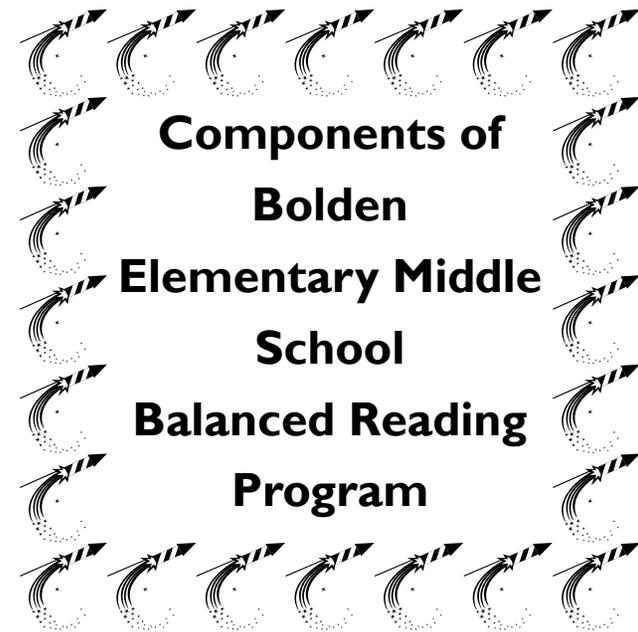
Lexile

How to Soar to the Top

1. Get your Lexile level from your teacher.

2. Find your range by selecting books ranging from 50 points above to 100 points below your Lexile level.

3. Read books that interest you in this range.

4. Take a Scholastic Reading Counts quiz to demonstrate your skill.

5. End Result—Reading Growth!!

Websites

- http://www.lexile.com/

- http://teacher.scholastic.com/products/reading counts/overview.htm

- http://library.springbranchisd.com/sbisd_library /reading_levels_comparison_chart.htm

Components of Bolden Elementary Middle School Balanced Reading Program

Major General Charles F. Bolden, Jr. encourages all students to reach for the stars. Take the reading challenge!

Literacy Place

Literacy Place is a K-6 reading and language arts program that offers a research-based combination of systematic skills development, great

literature, and state of the art technology to make every child a successful reader.

The program focuses instruction on four key points:

- Teaches decoding without sacrificing meaning

- Builds strong vocabulary and comprehension strategies

- Models writing through reading

- Assesses and evaluates to inform instruction and

  monitor process

Read 180

Read 180 is an intensive reading intervention program designed to meet the needs of students whose reading achievement is below the proficient level. The program directly addresses individual needs through adaptive instructional software, high-interest literature, and direct instruction in reading and writing skills.

The program tracks and analyzes student performance and provides assessment data to help differentiate instruction.

Proven results: Research has proven Read 180 works. Students who enter the program unable to read consistently become successful readers. Read 180 has brought significant gains in reading proficiency.

http://www.scholastic.com/dodea/read180_parents_r180.htm

"Our goal is not only to help students learn to read and write but to introduce them to the success and joy inherent in the lives of those who do." Fountas & Pinnnell

Reading Counts

Scholastic Reading Counts is a unique software program for Grades K-12 which ...

1. Offers students the chance to select an appropriate book based on their Lexile level and interests.

2. Quickly test students' comprehension upon taking a computer generated test.

3. Tracks reading progress.

Guided Reading

Guided reading is an instructional setting that enables the teacher to work with a small group of students to help them learn effective reading strategies. The purpose of guided reading is to meet the varying instructional needs of all the students.