



## **WHAT IS ACCELERATED READER (AR)?**

Accelerated Reader (AR) is an online reading motivation program. This year we are also utilizing AR to replace the weekly reading log for homework. There are over 180,500 books in the AR database allowing students many, many choices of on-level books!

## **WHO PARTICIPATES IN AR?**

All students in 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade will have AR accounts. Kindergarteners who are reading independently will be added to AR throughout the year.

## **READING LEVEL**

A student's reading level will be determined by in-class assessments. Library books have Grade Equivalent (GE) and a colored dot to communicate the reading level of books. Reading levels for thousands of books are also available on the Glen Taylor website under the AR Book Finder icon.



## **QUIZZES**

Students will take AR comprehension quizzes once they have completed a book. These quizzes will only be taken at school. Quizzes range from five to ten multiple choice questions depending on the reading level of the book. If your child is scoring 85% or higher on quizzes, he/she is in the appropriate range. You can monitor how your child is doing by logging on to Home Connect with your child's AR login information. (<https://hosted48.renlearn.com/2645831/homeconnect/>) The library will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-8:55 to allow students to take AR quizzes. Teachers will also provide opportunities to take AR quizzes.

## **READING GOALS AND GRADES**

Your child will earn two reading grades every nine weeks for progress in AR. Your child's teacher will set a unique reading goal based on your child's reading level and the required grade level reading time. This will include time in class for reading AR books along with the teacher's at-home reading expectations. These grades will be: 1. average of all quizzes taken, and 2. percentage of goal reached.

## **HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED?**

The most important thing you can do is to make sure your child is reading at home. Supporting your child by discussing books' characters and events at home will also communicate your interest in his/her reading.