

Using Lexile Levels

Search by Lexile

Lexile™ is a measure of how difficult a book is to comprehend (also known as “readability”), and you can use it to search Core Collections. Pair a Lexile search with other filters like Recommendation Level to find titles for readers at all levels to add to your collection.

TRY IT

On the **Advanced Search** page, find the **Recommendation Level** and select **Essential**

Then find the **Lexile Reading Level** and select **401-700**

Or enter a specific Lexile Reading Score

Click **Search**

Lexile search examples

You can also use Lexile Reading Levels as a field code in a Boolean search. Here are some example searches:

LX > 420 AND LX < 650 AND RW School Library Journal

(to find chapter books with Lexile Reading Levels between 420-650 that have also received a starred review from a specific publication)

LX > 530 AND SU Mysteries

(to find books in a specific genre or subject with Lexile Reading Levels greater than 530)

Search by Lexile and age

Find award-winning titles that will be appropriate to a reader’s Lexile Reading Level and age.

TRY IT

On the homepage, click on **Award Winners**

On the left under the Refine Results side bar, look under the Limit To field, and click **Show More**

Then in the pop up menu, go to the **Lexile Reading Level** and select **0 - 400**

Click **Search** to find titles

To further narrow titles to early readers, select **Children’s Core Collection** under **Database** to narrow titles to those for beginning readers

Find recent titles that will appeal to middle schoolers and fit their Lexile Reading Level.

TRY IT

On the homepage, click on **2020 Books**

Click **Show More** under the Limit To field on the left

In the pop up menu, go to the **Lexile Reading Level** and select the appropriate level

Click **Search** to find titles

Narrow results by **Database** (Middle and Junior High Core Collection)

When to use:



Need to find books for a ninth grader who struggles with reading?

Want to find books for a younger reader at their Lexile level in their favorite genre?

Having trouble finding books that are challenging (but not frustrating) for your student?

