## Finding Books by
# Reading Level

## When to use:

## Search by Lexile

Lexile™ is a measure of how difficult a book is to comprehend ("readability"), and you can search it in NoveList. However, your book search really comes alive when you pair a Lexile search with other filters to pinpoint books that are of interest to the reader.

### TRY IT

On the **Advanced Search** page, find the **Lexile Score** limiter and enter **670**.

Click **Search**. (NoveList will search a range of **100 points below** and **50 points above** the rating, as recommended by Lexile's creators.)

Limit the result using the filters on the left. Try Tone: **Suspenseful** and Character: **Likeable**.

## Lexile search examples

Copy and paste these sample search strings. These searches use **field codes**.

**LX > 420 AND LX < 650 AND GN Early chapter books**
(to find chapter books with Lexile between 420-650)

**LX > 530 AND RL 2**
(to find books at teen level with Lexile greater than 530)

**LX < 530 AND GN "Books for adult new readers"**
(to find books for adults with Lexile less than 530)

## Search by AR

Accelerated Reader™ (AR), like Lexile, is used to indicate the difficulty of a book. AR includes three elements: Interest Level (IL), Book Level (BL), and Points (Pts). A search of AR levels can also be paired with a genre, appeal, or topic.

### TRY IT

On the **Advanced Search** page, find the **AR Interest Level** limiter and select **MG** (for Grades 4-8).

In the **AR Book Level** limiter, enter **5.5**.

Click **Search**.

Limit the result list using the filters on the left. Try Tone: **Funny** and Genre: **Science fiction**.

## AR search examples

**IL UG AND GN Biographies**
(to find biographies with an AR interest level of UG for Grades 9-12)

**RD 3.7 AND AP Silly**
(to find silly books with an AR book level of 3.7)

**Librarians and Educators:** Need to help young readers who are looking for a book for school?

**Readers:** Want a book about your favorite topic, but NOT one that is for "little kids"?

**Parents:** Having trouble finding books that are challenging (but not frustrating) for your child?

## Search by grade or length

Need a quick list of books that are just right for a specific grade? Or maybe a student needs a book of a specific length? On the **Advanced Search** page, you'll find extra limiters for **Grade Level** and **Number of Pages**.

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