

What is a Literacy Pro account?

Each student has their own Literacy Pro account. Students access their account using their own username and password. Write your Literacy Pro username and password in the box below.



USERNAME: _____

PASSWORD: _____

Your Literacy Pro account shows:

- The books you have read
- Your certificate level
- The number of words you have read



What rewards can be earned?

The points you earn when you pass a quiz, go toward certificates. Blue, Red, Bronze and Silver certificates are presented at debriefings. The Gold certificate is presented at Senior Assembly.

When you have read one million words, you become a member of the Millionaire's Club. You then receive a certificate that is also presented at Senior Assembly and your 'millionaire' photo will adorn the Library 'Wall of Fame'.

What do I need to do to use Literacy Pro?

1. TAKE A LEXILE TEST

You have completed a Lexile Test at school and received your **Lexile Score**. The Lexile Score is a number that shows the level for two things – the level of text **where you can read** and also the level of text **where you can understand** what you read. Your **Lexile Range** is from 200 below your Lexile Score to 100 above your Lexile Score.

Each term you will do another Lexile Test to update your Lexile Score and celebrate your progress. You *only* do another Lexile Test when your teacher asks you to.

2. CHOOSE A BOOK

The Lexile section in the library is clearly labelled. Books in this section are arranged numerically. Lexile books have a Lexile sticker on the spine.

You also have access to the eBook library. Year Five students can choose their eBook using the Search tool on your Literacy Pro account page. Year Three and Year Four students will read the eBooks assigned by their teacher.

You may borrow more than one book at a time. You must make sure that **at least one of your borrowed books is a Lexile book** in your Lexile range. Other borrowed books can be non-Lexile fiction or non-fiction.

3. COMPLETE A QUIZ

When you have finished reading the Lexile book in your Lexile range, you do a quiz. To get to the quiz go to the Search button on your Literacy Pro account page and find the book you just read. Press 'Take the Quiz'. The eBooks have a quiz button visible on the page.

If you get 7/10 or more for the quiz, you can then simply choose another book to read.

If you get less than 7/10 for the quiz, then you need to read that book again. You can't take the quiz again that day. You need to repeat the quiz on another day. Each quiz you do for the same book is different so the second quiz is not the same as the first.

If a book doesn't have a quiz, see Mrs Smethurst at the library to choose a Book Report Hack which gives points toward certificates.

What are the rules when using Literacy Pro?

Always log off after using Literacy Pro on a shared device

*On a shared device, if another student has not logged out and their Literacy Pro account is still open, **log them out first**. Then log in using your own Literacy Pro username and password. Always use your own username and password when accessing the Literacy Pro website. This is easier to do if everyone remembers to log off properly.*

Do quizzes only for the Lexile books you have just read

Literacy Pro is to help you with reading – you may only do quizzes for Lexile books you have read while on this program. Do not do a quiz for books read last month or even last year.

Complete the quiz straight after you read the book.

Read book → Do quiz

Do only one quiz for a title per day.

This rule is to help you do one quiz well rather than doing lots of quizzes poorly. Many bad quiz scores will affect your data – your average quiz score and your quiz pass rate will then both be low.

At McDowall, our aim is to keep average quiz scores above 70%.

Special note: Please do not do quizzes for movies you have watched. Literacy Pro is all about improving your reading. The Harry Potter series of books are listed in Literacy Pro and we ask that a conversation between parent, student and teacher occur BEFORE students attempt the quiz.

Above all, enjoy your reading and celebrate your progress. If you have a question or a problem, please see your teacher or Mrs Smethurst in the library.



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Student Handbook

Literacy Pro is an Online program that helps you with your reading.

Name

Class

I have read this Literacy Pro student handbook.

Parent Signature: _____