The New STAAR Report Card

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Tests Are a Part of Life

- Driver’s license tests
- College admissions exams
- Application tests for certain jobs
We can use several different tools to monitor progress as our kids grow and learn.
How did Josephine do on the grade 4 assessments?

**Reading**

- **Info Test Date**: MAY CCYY
- **Scale Score**: 950
- **Level II**: Satisfactory
- **Level III**: Advanced
- **ELL Progress Measure**: NOT MET
- **Student’s Scale Score**: 950

**Mathematics**

- **Info Test Date**: MAY CCYY
- **Scale Score**: 1743
- **Level II**: Satisfactory
- **Level III**: Advanced
- **Student’s Scale Score**: 1743

**Writing**

- **Info Test Date**: MAY CCYY
- **Scale Score**: 3943
- **Level II**: Satisfactory
- **Level III**: Advanced
- **Student’s Scale Score**: 3943

**Reporting Categories**

- **1. Understanding/Analysis Across Genres**
- **2. Understanding/Analysis of Literary Texts**
- **3. Understanding/Analysis of Informational Texts**

**Total Reading Score**

- **LEXILE MEASURE**: 1202L

**Mathematics**

- **Reporting Categories**
  - **1. Numerical Representations and Relationships**
  - **2. Computations and Algebraic Relationships**
  - **3. Geometry and Measurement**
  - **4. Data Analysis and Personal Financial Literacy**

**Total Mathematics Score**

**Written Composition**

- **Composition**
  - **Personal Narrative**
  - **Expository**

**Multiple Choice**

- **Items Correct**: 11
- **Items Tested**: 16
- **Percent Correct**: 68.75%

**Summed Score**: 7 out of 11 possible

**Score Descriptions**

- **Between Satisfactory and Accomplished**
- **Basic**

**To view your child’s scores online, go to**: http://www.TexasAssessment.com/students. The Unique Access Code is XXXXX. For more information about the STAAR tests, contact your child’s school.

**Para ver las calificaciones de su hijo en internet, visite la pagina**: http://www.TexasAssessment.com/students. La clave de acceso individual es XXXXX. Para obtener mayor información sobre STAAR, comuníquese con la escuela de su hijo.

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**The Lexile measure represents your child’s reading ability and can be used to match him or her with books and other materials at an appropriate difficulty level. To learn more, visit**: www.lexile.com

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More Accurate Reports Growth Provides Helpful Resources
STAAR Performance Levels

**MASTERS GRADE LEVEL**
Mastery of the course knowledge and skills is shown, student is on track for college and/or career

**APPROACHES GRADE LEVEL**
Some knowledge of course content but may be missing critical elements, student needs additional support

**MEETS GRADE LEVEL**
Strong knowledge of course content, student is prepared to progress to the next grade

**DID NOT MEET GRADE LEVEL**
No basic understanding of course expectations is shown, student may need significant support next year
# Replacing Old Performance Labels

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From “Advanced” to “Masters Grade Level”

Level III: Advanced

MASTERS GRADE LEVEL
Mastery of the course knowledge and skills is shown — student is on track for college and/or career

Chance of Success in College: 75%

- No support needed next year
- Can apply course content outside of class
From “Postsecondary Ready” to “Meets Grade Level”

Final Level II: Postsecondary Ready*

MEETS GRADE LEVEL
Strong knowledge of course content
student is prepared to progress to the next grade

 Chance of Success in College: 60%

Well prepared for next year
Strong knowledge of course content
From “Satisfactory” to “Approaches Grade Level”

**Phase-in Level II: Satisfactory**

- Constitutes a passing score
- Some remediation recommended in the coming year

**Approaches Grade Level**
Some knowledge of course content, but may be missing critical elements - student needs additional support
From “Unsatisfactory” to “Did Not Meet Grade Level”

Level I: Unsatisfactory

DID NOT MEET GRADE LEVEL
No basic understanding of course expectations is shown. Student may need significant support next year

Does not constitute a passing score

Significant remediation recommended in the coming year
A Changed Layout to Highlight Performance Levels

Mathematics
Test Date: May 2017

- Did Not Meet (1031-1594)
- Approaches (1595-1699)
- Meets (1700-1853)
- Masters (1854-2196)

SCORE 1645

Did Not Meet
Approaches
Meets
Masters

Passing

Mathematics Test Date: May 2017

Did Not Meet (1031-1594)
Approaches (1595-1699)
Meets (1700-1853)
Masters (1854-2196)
### Performance Details

#### CATEGORY |
**ANSWERED CORRECTLY**

1. History | 10 of 17
2. Geography and Culture | 10 of 10
3. Government and Citizenship | 10 of 10

**TOTAL** | 32 of 44

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#### 75th PERCENTILE

Your child scored the same or better than 75% of all Grade 8 students in Texas.
Supporting Academic Growth

Expected Growth
Your Child Showed Expected Growth
For 1 Year of Instruction

Scale Score

SCORE 1550
SCORE 1645

2015-2016
2016-2017

Expected Growth for Your Child

2015-2016
SCORE 1550

2016-2017
SCORE 1645

Your Child Showed Expected Growth
What is a Lexile Score?

A Lexile score measures a student’s reading level.
Your Child’s Lexile History

Current Lexile Measure: 700L

Grade

Lexile Measure

(700L)

Expected Grade Level Range

Student Lexile History
Student Lexile History Examples

Growing, but Remains Below Grade Level

Growing to Grade Level
This is all great info. Now what?
Resources to Improve Performance: Reading

Built-In Resources

Here are some books recommended for your child’s grade.
Resources to Improve Performance: Reading

Built-In Resources

**Understanding/Analysis Across Genres**
Have your child read books that have also been made into movies — discuss how they are similar and different.

**Understanding/Analysis of Literary Texts**
Discuss with your child the book he/she is reading. Your child should be able to summarize and paraphrase his/her books.

**Understanding/Analysis of Informational Texts**
Have your child look up and share with you informational or news stories he/she finds interesting. Ask them questions about what real world events.

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**CATEGORY** | **ANSWERED CORRECTLY**
---|---
1. **Understanding/Analysis Across Genres** | 5 of 8
2. **Understanding/Analysis of Literary Texts** | 10 of 19
3. **Understanding/Analysis of Informational Texts** | 6 of 17
**TOTAL** | 21 of 44

For more information, visit www.tea.texas.gov
Resources to Improve Performance: Mathematics

**Built-In Resources**

**Parent Resource Tool**

**Mathematics**

- ** numeracy representations and relationships**: Help your child learn how to study. This means working through problems, not just reading them. The more problems your child practices, the more...

- **Computations and Algebraic Relationships**: Calculate the odds: If your school is holding a raffle, discuss the details with your child. Have your child find out how many tickets will be sold and how...

- **Geometry and Measurement**: Have your child discuss a problem that was easy and a problem that was difficult. Ask your child to explain key features of the difficult problem to you.

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**CATEGORY** | **ANSWERED CORRECTLY**
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1. Numerical Representations and Relationships | 2 of 4
2. Computations and Algebraic Relationships | 12 of 16
3. Geometry and Measurement | 10 of 15
4. Data Analysis and Personal Financial Literacy | 5 of 7
**TOTAL** | 29 of 42
Resources to Improve Performance: College and Career Prep

**Built-In Resources**

**College**

- **Learning About Colleges**
  - Take a “virtual tour” of colleges that interest you, or visit a college...

- **Enroll in advanced coursework**, such as AP and IB classes, and dual...

- **Get involved in extracurricular activities and community service**...

**Career**

- **Exploring Your Options**
  - Research careers and occupations that interest you and identify the...

- **Review your endorsement decision** to ensure that it aligns with your...

- **Join a Career and Technical Student Organization where you can apply**...
## Preparing for Parent-Teacher Conferences

### Built-In Resources

**Parent Resource Tool**

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### Things To Do Before Conference
- Check your child’s grades and relevant test scores.
- Ask your child if they have any questions they want to ask the teacher.
- Talk to any other parents, guardians, or caregivers about questions they would like to have asked.

### Sample Questions You Can Ask
- What does my child seem to be the most interested in?
- Does my child have good friends in class and in school?
- What is the most important thing that I can be doing to prepare my child for high school?

To check your child's grades and relevant test scores, visit [www.texasassessment.gov](http://www.texasassessment.gov).

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Online Resources

TexasAssessment.com

• How to Help My Child Prepare
• How to Read the New Report
• Understanding My Child’s Score
• Actual Questions That Were on the Test
1. The members of a gym use 98 towels every day. How many towels are used in 7 days?

A. 636  
B. 14  
C. 686  
D. 91
Online Resources

Parents

Educators

Test Admins
STAAR Report Card 2017 Release Timeline

TexasAssessment.com Website Goes Live (June 13, 2017)

Grades 3–8 STAAR Report Cards Available Online (June 30, 2017)

Grades 3–8 Paper STAAR Report Cards Arrive In Districts (July 10, 2017)

High School STAAR Report Cards Available Online (June 13, 2017)

High School Paper STAAR Report Cards Arrive In Districts (June 13, 2017)
Empowering Parents and Teachers to Help Students

te.a.texas.gov/studentreport