

# Scholastic Literacy Pro User Guide

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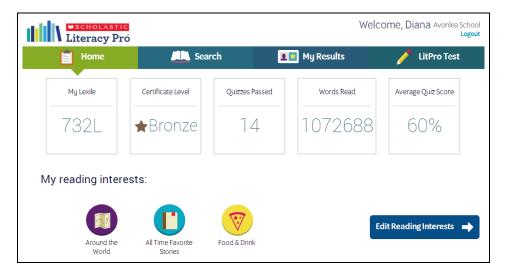


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## **Overview**



Scholastic Literacy Pro™ is a browser-based program that assesses students' reading ability and comprehension. It combines a reading assessment that computes students' Lexile® measures with a reading management program that includes thousands of quizzes to assess independent reading. The reading assessment is an adaptive test that adjusts to students' responses. Once students start the test, the difficulty level of questions change according to students' performance. When the computer has enough information to generate a Lexile measure, the test stops.

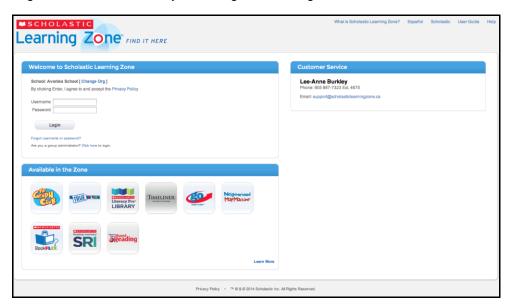
Scholastic Literacy Pro has both student software and teacher software. The student software allows students to generate a Recommended Reading List, take the LitPro Test and book comprehension quizzes, and track their results. The teacher software allows teachers to view quizzes, track student progress, and generate reports for their students and classes. Administrator software allows administrators to view data and measure progress across the entire school.

Scholastic Literacy Pro is accessed through Scholastic Learning Zone (SLZ). For more information on Scholastic Learning Zone, see the **Scholastic Learning Zone User Guide** by clicking the **User Guide** link on the SLZ login page (page 4).



# **Logging In**

Log in to Scholastic Literacy Pro using the SLZ Login Screen.



**1.** Go to <a href="www.scholasticlearningzone.com">www.scholasticlearningzone.com</a> or your institution's unique login URL. Enter the SLZ profile username and password.



2. Click the Scholastic Literacy Pro icon in the My Zone field to open the program.



## **Usage Details**

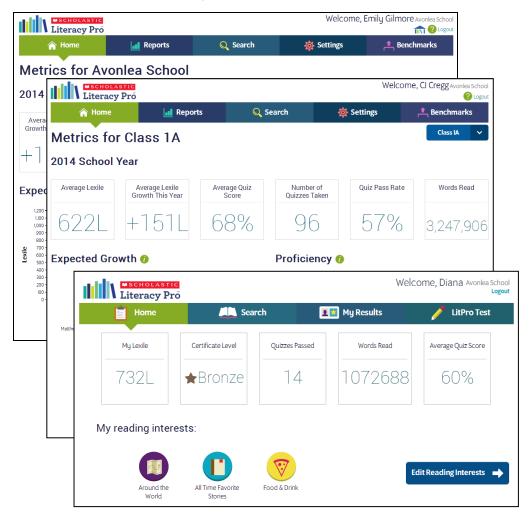


The Scholastic Learning Zone Home Screen also shows Usage Details for Scholastic Literacy Pro and all SLZ programs.

A session occurs any time a student opens a product for any length of time. **Average Session/Student** shows the number of times on average students have opened a product for use, for any amount of time. **Average Session Time/Student** shows the average amount of time, in minutes, that sessions in a product last – that is, the average amount of time students use a product once they open it. **Total Time/Student** shows the average number of total minutes that students have spent using a product.



# **Scholastic Literacy Pro Home Screen**



After logging in, students, teachers, and administrators arrive at their respective Home Screens. All home screens show links and relevant metrics.

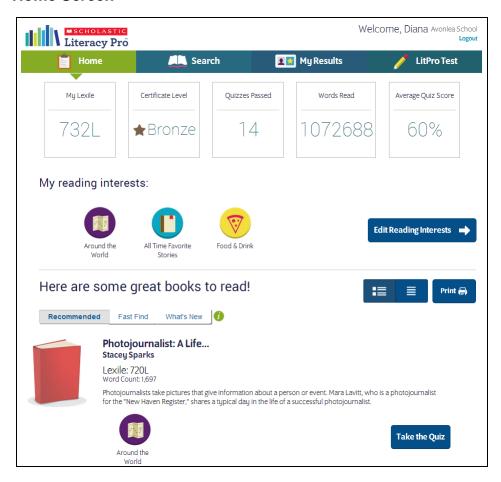
The student Home Screen shows reading interests and the Recommended Reading List.

The teacher and administrator Home Screens show key metrics and two Scholastic Literacy Pro reports. Administrators select benchmarks (*page 28*) and the selected benchmark determines which reports display on the screen. The default benchmark displays the Expected Lexile Growth Report and the Reading Proficiency Report. Other benchmarks display the Lexile Growth Report and the Reading Proficiency Report.



## **Student Software**

## **Home Screen**



The Student Software Home Screen is the first screen students see after login. It displays information and links for students to navigate the software.

#### **Tabs**

The screen shows four tabs:

- **Home**: This link shows the Home Screen, with student reading interests (page 7) and the Recommended Reading List (page 8).
- **Search**: This link opens the Search Screen (page 9).
- My Results: This link shows the Student Results Screen (page 12), including LitPro Test and book quiz data.
- **LitPro Test**: This link opens the LitPro Test. It is only active when students have an available test to take.



#### **Student Results**



The Student Results bar shows data from student work in Scholastic Literacy Pro. The results are also shown on the My Results tab (*page 12*).

## **Reading Interests**



The Home Screen also shows reading interests selected by students. To select or edit reading interests, click the **Edit Reading Interests** button.



Select or deselect the interest categories by clicking the appropriate icon. When finished, click **Update My Reading List** (click **Cancel** to close the screen without saving changes). The Home Screen appears again, with the new Reading Interests and updated Recommended Reading List.



## **Recommended Reading List**



The Recommended Reading List shows books recommended for the student, based on their Lexile measure and reading interests.

To display the list with icons and descriptions, click the icon button at the left. To display the recommendations as a list, click the list icon button at the right.



To print the list, click Print.



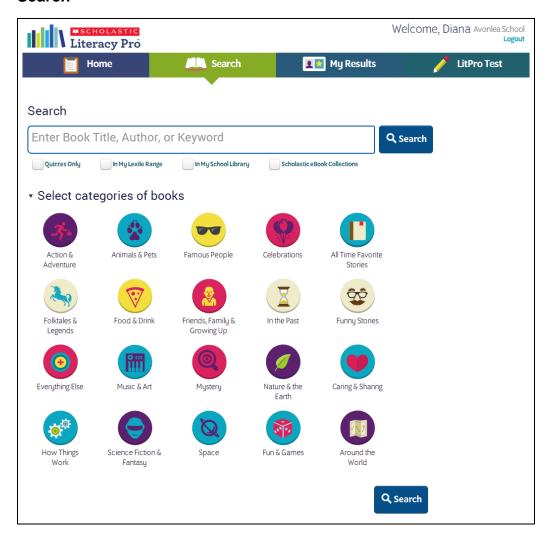
Sort the list using the three filters at the top of the list:

- Recommended: Shows a list of recommended books based on the student's Lexile measure and selected reading interests.
- Fast Find: Shows titles at the student's exact Lexile measure.
- What's New: Shows new additions to the book and quiz database.

To take the quiz for a book, click the **Take the Quiz** button. This opens the Quiz Screen (*page 9*).



#### Search



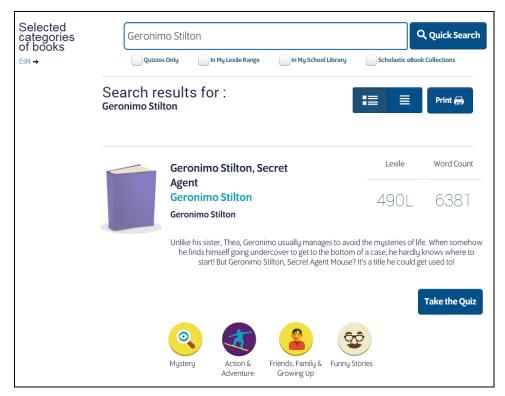
Clicking the **Search** tab opens the Search Screen.

To search for a book and/or quiz by title, author, or keyword, enter the search term in the search field. To limit the search to quizzes, click **Quizzes Only**. To filter the search by Lexile measure, click **In My Lexile Range**. To limit the search to only titles that are in the school's library, click **In My School Library** (for more information about this feature, see page 29). To limit the search to only titles that have Scholastic eBook versions (in Literacy Pro Library, BookFlix, and/or TrueFlix), click **Scholastic eBook Collections**.

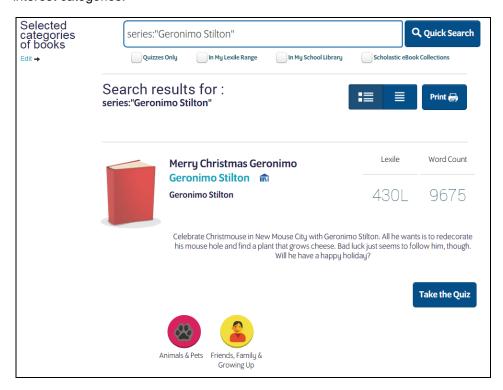
To search for books and quizzes by interest category, click the interest icon so it is highlighted and checked.

Click Search to start the search.



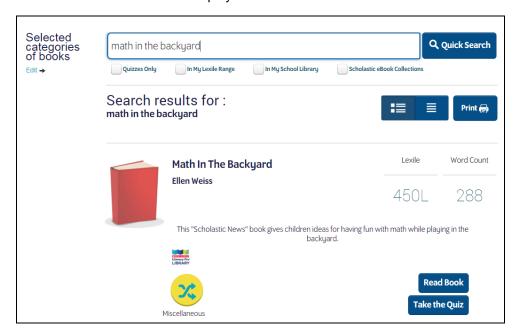


The Search Results Screen shows the search results listed by search term. If a search returns more than 300 results, only the 300 most popular will be shown. The results screen also shows the book's Lexile measure, word count, and interest categories.





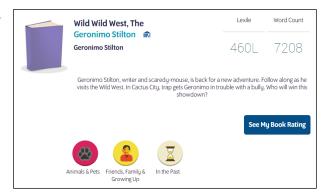
If a book is in a series, the series will display below the book title. Clicking on the series title will search for and display all the books in that series.



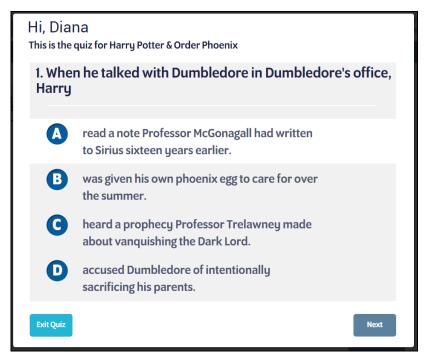
If you have a subscription to Literacy Pro Library and the book is in Literacy Pro Library, then the **Read Book** button will display. Click this button to open the book in the Literacy Pro Library e-reader in the current tab.

To take the book's quiz, click Take the Quiz.

Depending on the search filters, books may appear on the Search Results Screen even though the student has already taken the quiz for that book. In this instance, the **See My Book Rating** button replaces the **Take the Quiz** button. Click **See My Book Rating** to view the quiz score and student rating and comments for the book.



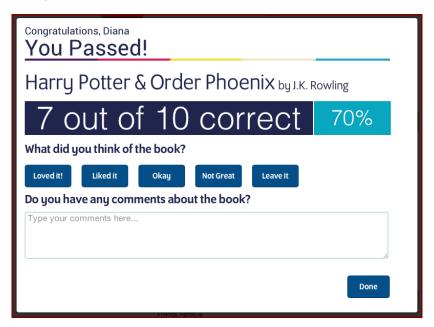




After clicking Take the Quiz the Quiz Screen opens.

Read the question, and then click the answer choice. Click **Next** to move to the next question. Click **Exit Quiz** to leave the quiz. Any completed answers will not be recorded.

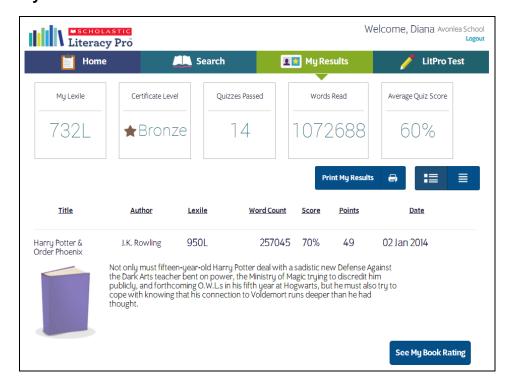
At the last question, click **Finish** to see results.



The Results Screen shows the quiz results. Students who pass the quiz may rate the book and record their comments. Click **Done** to exit the quiz.



## My Results



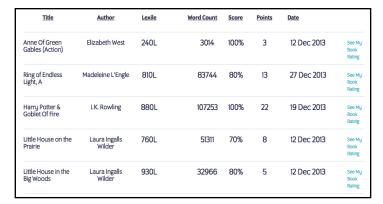
Clicking **My Results** opens the My Results Screen. The My Results Screen shows all student results for work done in Scholastic Literacy Pro during the current school year.

At the top are the five data points from the Home Screen: the average quiz score, total word count read, number of quizzes passed, certificate level, and student Lexile measure. Certificate levels are set in the Scholastic Literacy Pro program settings (*page 25*).

The screen also lists all of the books read by the student. To display the list with icons and descriptions, click the icon button at the left. To display the recommendations as a list, click the list icon button at the right.







To review student results and ratings and comments on book quizzes, click the **See My Book Rating** button or link.

To print student results, click the **Print My Results** button or printer icon. Choose **Print All My Comments**, **Print Award Certificate** or **Print My Activities** from the pulldown menu.





Click **Print All My Comments** to open a printable list of the student's books, including results, ratings, and comments, in a separate browser window.

Click **Print Award Certificate** to open a printable award certificate showing the student's current certificate level in a separate browser window.

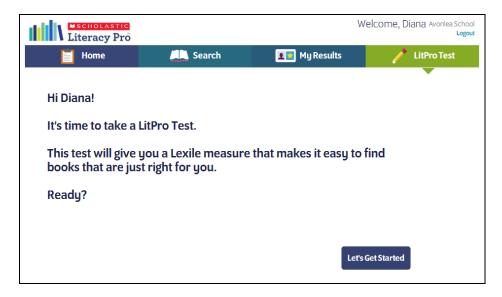




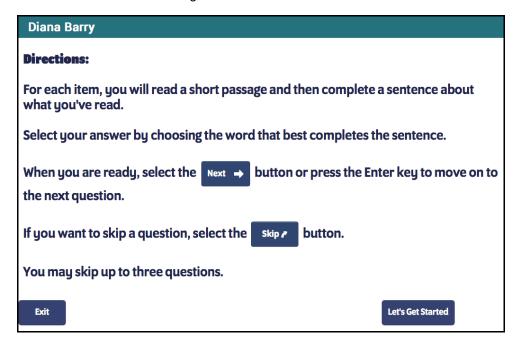
To print the book list or the certificate, right-click with the pointer and select **Print Page** from the menu. Book lists and certificates may also be saved to the workstation by selecting **Save Page** from the menu.



#### LitPro Test

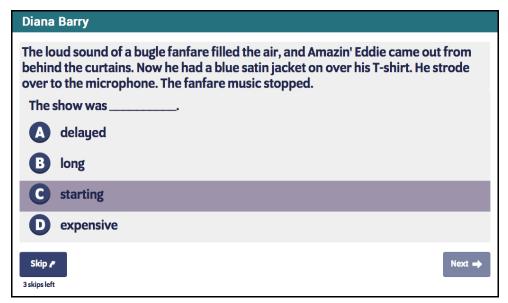


The **LitPro Test** tab launches the LitPro Lexile measure test. This test is only available to students when they have a test available to take, as set in the LitPro Test Settings (*page 25*). The link opens a screen that introduces the LitPro Test. Click **Let's Get Started** to begin the test.



The next screen shows the test directions. The test may begin with practice questions, depending on the LitPro Test Settings (page 25). Students may exit the test, and the test session will be saved. Click **Let's Get Started** to continue with the test, or click **Exit** to exit the test.



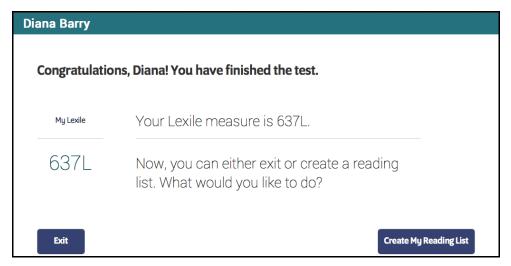


Read each question, and then click the desired answer choice. Clicking a choice activates the **Next** button. Click it to record the answer and move to the next question.

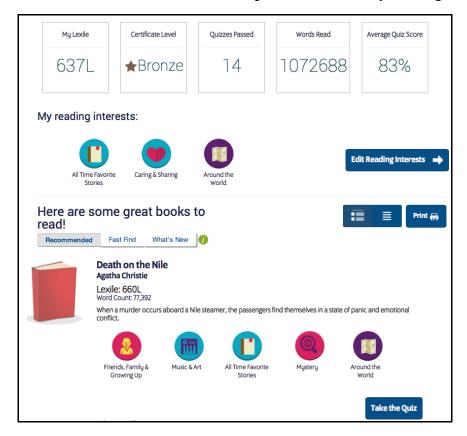
When the practice questions are finished, students see a message saying the rest of the questions will be scored. Click **Go On** to continue.

The scored questions function the same way as the practice questions, but now students have the option to skip questions. Students may skip up to three questions. To skip the question, click **Skip**. Students will see how many available skips they have left onscreen.





When students finish the LitPro Test, they may see their results, depending on the LitPro Test Settings (page 25). Click **Exit** to exit the test, or to use the Lexile measure to create a Recommended Reading List, click **Create My Reading List**.

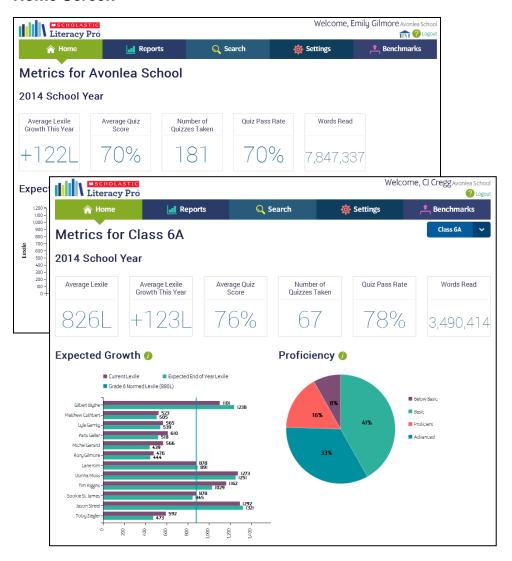


Clicking **Create My Reading List** takes the student back to the Home Screen (*page 6*). Students select up to three kinds of books from the Reading Interests, and then click **Create My Reading List** from the Home Screen to see their Recommended Reading List (*page 8*).



## **Teacher and Administrator Software**

#### **Home Screen**



After logging in as a teacher or administrator, the Home Screen appears. The Home Screen shows metrics for the school (for administrators) or classes (for teachers) and two Scholastic Literacy Pro reports (*page 20*). Administrators select benchmarks (*page 28*) and the selected benchmark determines which reports display on the screen. The default benchmark displays the Expected Lexile Growth Report and the Reading Proficiency Report. Other benchmarks display the Lexile Growth Report and the Reading Proficiency Report.





The Teacher and Administrator Home Screens have tabs that link to the four other screens in the Teacher/Administrator Software:

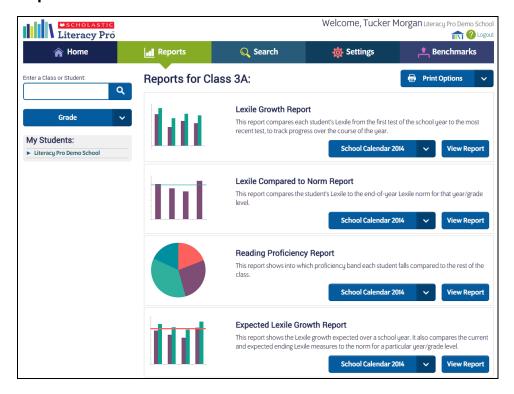
- Reports: Click to go to the Reports Screen (page 20) and view reports for a school, year/grade, class, or individual student.
- **Search**: Click to use the Search Screen (*page 22*) to search for books and quizzes.
- Settings: Click to set program settings (page 25) for a school, class, or individual student.
- **Benchmarks**: Click to view or change the Benchmark Proficiency Bands (page 28) for a class or school.

The Teacher Home Screen allows teachers with more than one class to change the class view of the Home Screen. Click the class icon on the right side of the screen, and then select the class name from the pull-down menu. The Home Screen will now display data for the chosen class.



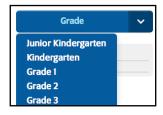


## **Reports Screen**



The Reports Screen shows the Scholastic Literacy Pro reports for the school, year/grade, class, or student, along with a detailed description of each report.



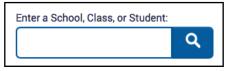




The pull-down menu allows adminstrators to view report data by school, year/grade, class, or student. Click **Grade** and use the pull-down menu to filter data by year/grade level.

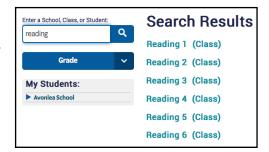
Use the school roster trees to filter data by class or student. Click the arrow by a class name to open the roster tree and view a roster of students. Click the student's name to view data for that student.

Teachers and administrators may also search directly for schools,



classes, or students using the Search function.

To search directly for reports for a particular school, class, or student, type the name of the school, class, or student in the search field and click the magnifying glass icon. If there is more than one search result, the Search Results Screen displays all search results containing the search



term. Click the link for the desired search result to view the reports for the school, year/class, or student.

Alerts regarding students'



data also appear on the Reports Screen when a class or individual student is selected. Scroll over the "students" link to see the students' name. To view all alerts for the class, click the **Click here** link to view the Alerts Report.

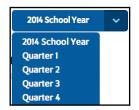
The Alerts Report shows students' names along with the alerts that have been recorded by their names. To export the report as a spreadsheet, click **Export**. To print the report, click **Print**.



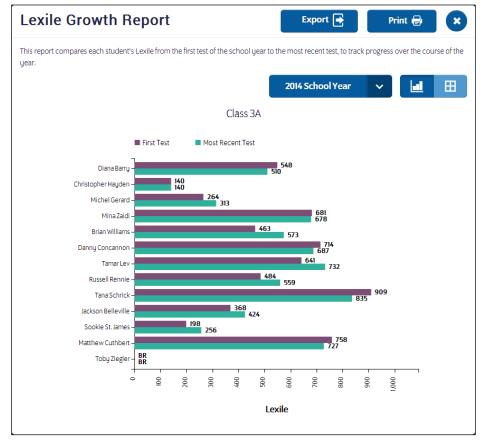




Each Scholastic Literacy Pro report has a field on the Report Screen. Select a time frame (as configured in the **Manage Calendar** section of Scholastic Learning Zone—note that if your administrator had not configured your school calendar before you began your use of LitPro, it is urgent that this be done as soon as possible) for each report by using the pull-down menu within each field.



Choose the time period the report should cover by clicking the School Year pull-down menu, then choosing a time period. When a cohort and date range is selected, click **View Report** to run the report and view it in a separate browser window.





Use the icons to change the report from graph view to table view. To export the report as a spreadsheet, click **Export**. To print the report, click **Print**. Click the "X" to close the report.

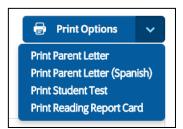


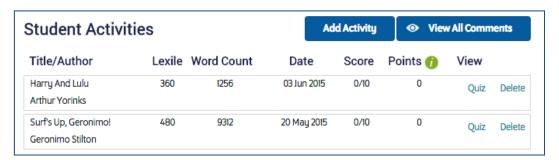
With a class selected from the School Roster tree, you will also have the option to print the Reading Report Cards for that entire class. In the top right corner, use the **Print Options** dropdown menu, then click on **Print Reading Report Cards**. This will display all the reading report cards for the class you have selected in a pop-up window.

Print Options

Print Reading Report Card
Print Activities

With an individual student selected, in addition to printing the student's Reading Report Card, you will also be able to print the student's LitPro test, as well as a personalized letter introducing the student's parents to LitPro. This letter is avilable in Spanish in Spanish speaking countries and Arabic in Arabic speaking countries.

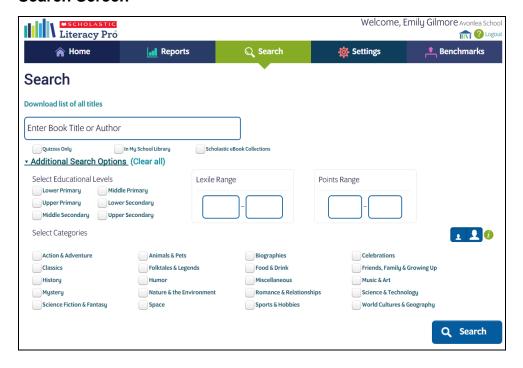




Note too that with an individual student selected, in addition to viewing that student's Lexile and other statistics, you can also see a list of all the quizzes that student has taken. If a quiz was taken in error or needs to be removed from the list for any other reason, click the **Delete** button next to the quiz. Be careful using this feature, as deleted quizzes cannot be recovered.



#### Search Screen



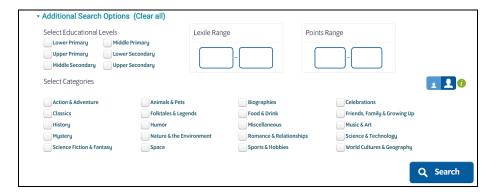
The Search Screen allows teachers and administrators to search for books and quizzes within Scholastic Literacy Pro.

To download a list of all the titles available in your country, click the **Download list of all titles** link. The list will download in .CSV format, which you can open in most spreadsheet programs.

To search directly for books and quizzes, enter the title or author in the Search field and click **Search**. To filter the search to quizzes only, click the **Quizzes**Only checkbox and click **Search**. To limit the search to only titles in the school's library, click the **In My School Library** 

checkbox. Click **Additional Search Options** to view more search filters. Click **Clear all** to clear all search criteria.







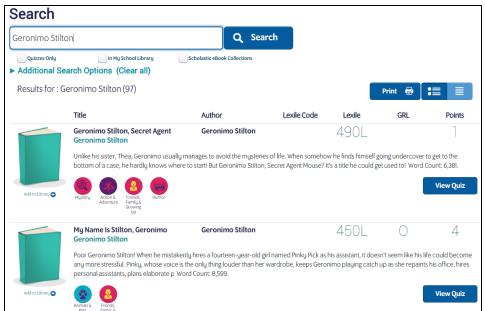
Click the checkboxes to filter the search by education level or category. Enter a Lexile range or point range\* to filter the search by these criteria.

To filter the search by categories for younger or older readers, click the young or old category icon.



When the search filters are selected, click **Search**.





Search results appear below the search fields. Click **View Quiz** to view the quiz and answer key for the selected book. View Quiz shows all questions (up to 30 questions per quiz), though students see only ten randomly selected questions at a time.

To view the search results as a list, click the list (right) icon. To toggle back to the full search results, click the list with details (left) icon.





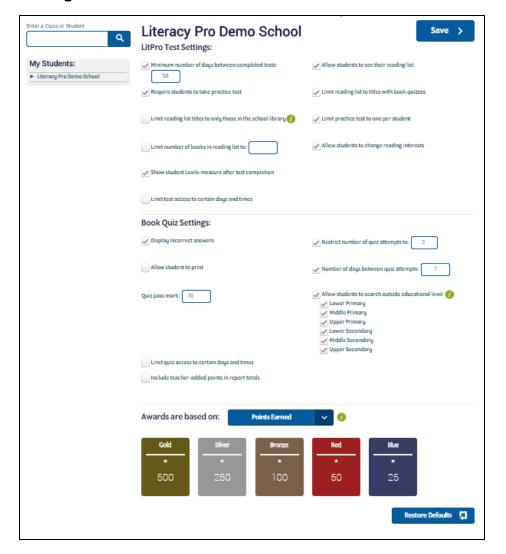
To print the list, click **Print**. This opens the list in printable form in a separate browser window. Right-click in the browser window that contains the list, and select **Print Page** from the menu.

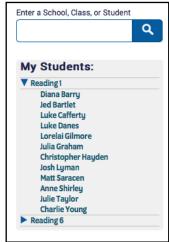


\*Note: The ability to search and sort by GRL and point value may not be available to customers in certain countries.



## **Settings Screen**



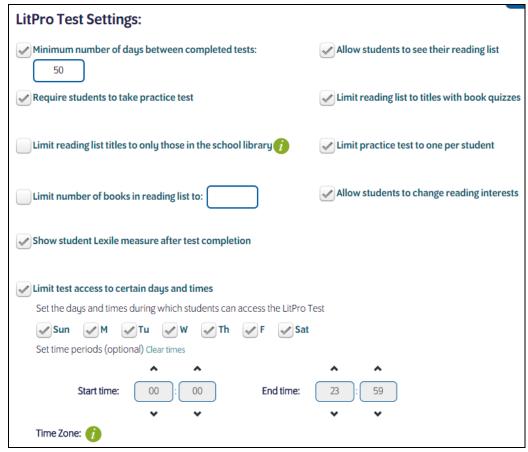


The Settings Screen allows teachers and administrators to set Scholastic Literacy Pro program settings for a school, class, or student. (Administrators can set program settings for all three; teachers for their classes or students only.)

To change program settings for a school, class, or student, enter the school, class, or student name in the search bar and click the search icon. Teachers may also use the roster tree to set program settings for individual classes or students (administrators will see the school name in their roster tree, as well).

The school, class, or student name appears at the top of the screen.





The first set of program settings are for the LitPro Test. Click the checkbox next to each LitPro Test Setting to enable the setting.

- Minimum Number of Days Between Completed Tests: Click to set a minimum number of days between LitPro Tests, and then enter the date limit number in the text field. The default limit is 50 days.
- Require Student to Take Practice Test: Click this to require students to answer practice questions at the beginning of every LitPro Test.
- Limit Reading List Titles to Only Those in the School Library: Click this
  to limit the titles in student reading lists to only those that have been
  matched to the school library using the Library Match feature.
- Limit Number of Books in Reading List: Click the checkbox to limit the books in students' reading lists, and then enter the limit in the text field.
- Show Student Lexile Measures After Test Completion: Click to allow students to view their Lexile measures after they finish the LitPro Test.
- Limit test access to certain days and times: Click to set the time periods and days of the week during/on which students are allowed to take the LitPro test.



- Allow Students to See Their Reading List: Click to allow students to see their reading lists.
- Limit Reading List to Titles With Book Quizzes: Click this to limit students' reading lists to only books with quizzes.
- Limit Practice Test to One Per Student: Click to limit students to one
  practice test. If this is checked, the student will take a practice test before
  the first ever LitPro Test, but not on any subsequent tests.
- Allow Students to Change Reading Interests: Click the checkbox to activate reading interest selection.

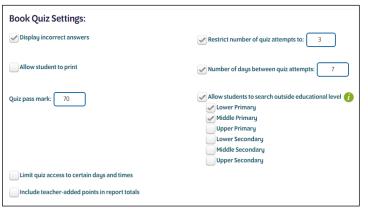
Click **Save** to save the LitPro Test settings. Click **Restore Defaults** to revert all choices to the default settings.

The Book Quiz Settings section allows teachers and administrators to set parameters for students' book quizzes. Activate each Book Quiz Setting by clicking the checkbox next to the setting.

Display Incorrect Answers: Allows students to see their incorrect answers

when reviewing their quiz results. The default setting is checked.

 Allow Students to Print: Allows students to print their reading list, book ratings, and comments. The default setting is unchecked.



- Allow Student to Print Certificate: Allows students to print their award certificates. The default setting is unchecked.
- Quiz Pass Mark: Sets the passing mark for book quizzes. Use the arrows
  or type in the text field to set the mark. The default setting is 70%.
- Limit quiz access to certain days and times: Click to set the time periods and days of the week during/on which students are allowed to take quizzes.
- Include teacher-added points in report totals: Click to include any quiz points manually added by teachers in all generated reports which feature quiz points.



- Restrict Number of Quiz Attempts: Sets the number of times students
  may attempt a particular book quiz, and then enter the limit in the text field.
  The default setting is checked at three attempts.
- Number of Days Between Quiz Attempts: Sets the number of days between students' attempts at a particular quiz. The default setting is checked and set at 7 days.
- Allow Student to Search Outside Educational Level: Allows students to search outside their grade's educational level. This expands a list to show additional checkboxes and educational levels. Click the boxes to choose the educational levels students may access.

Click **Save** to save the settings. Click **Restore Defaults** to revert to the defaults.

To set the criteria for student award certificates, use the pull-down menu to choose between **Points Earned** (the

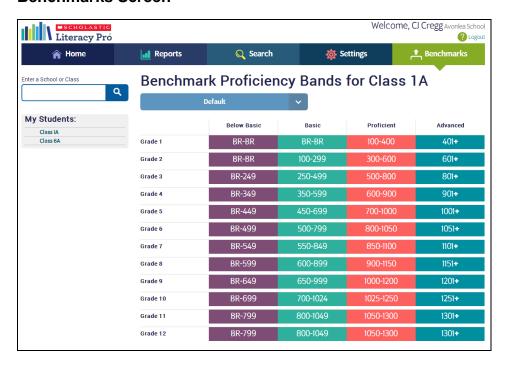


default setting) and **Quizzes Passed**. Click the numbers to activate a text box under each award level. The values of award levels can be edited by typing in the text box. Click **Save** to save the settings.





#### **Benchmarks Screen**



The Benchmarks Screen is where teachers may view and administrators may edit the Scholastic Literacy Pro proficiency bands. Only administrators may change the benchmark proficiency bands applied to a school or class.

The four proficiency bands are:

- Advanced: Students scoring in this range exhibit superior performance when reading text that is year/grade-level appropriate.
- Proficient: Students scoring in this range exhibit competent ("year/grade-level") performance when reading text that is year/grade-level appropriate.
- Basic: Students scoring in this range exhibit minimally competent ("below year/grade-level") performance when reading year/grade-level appropriate text.
- Below Basic: Students scoring in this range do not exhibit minimally competent performance when reading year/grade-level appropriate text.

Choose which benchmark settings to apply by using the pull-down menu and clicking the setting. This changes the displayed benchmarks. Note that the benchmark selected will control which reports are viewable on the Home screen.

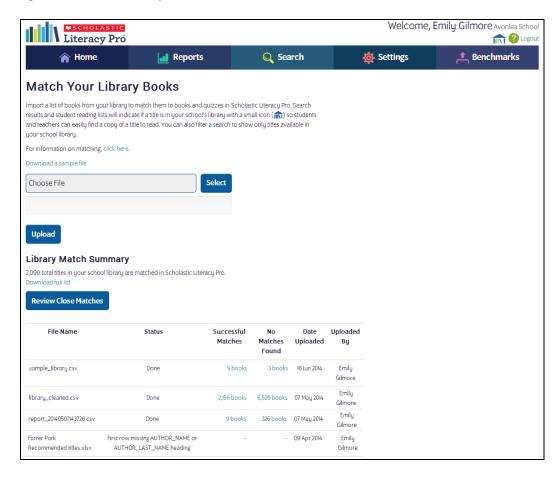




# **Library Match Screen**

To access the Library Match feature, click the Library Match icon in the upper right. This feature is only available to site administrators.





The Library Match screen is where administrators may upload a list of books from their school library to match them to books and quizzes in Literacy Pro. Titles that are matched will display with a small icon next to them in search results and Recommended Reading Lists.

Once a file is uploaded, the results will display in a table, showing the file name, status, number of successful matches, number of unsuccessful matches, date uploaded, and the administrator who uploaded the file. Clicking on the number of successful or unsuccessful matches will prompt a CSV download of the titles that were successfully or unsuccessfully matched.

The Library Match Summary shows the total number of titles that have been matched in Literacy Pro. Click **Download full list** to download a CSV file of all the titles that have been matched.



If titles in the import file were not an exact match to the titles in Literacy Pro, the **Review Close Matches** button will appear. Click the button to view the Review Close Matches screen.

| Review Close Matches  |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| The imported books below did not exactly match any books in Literacy Pro. Review the possible close matches listed next to each book. If a possible match is the correct book, select it. If none of the possible matches are correct, select None of the above. To view more possible matches, click View more. Your selections will automatically be saved. |  |  |
| Imported book   | Possible book matches                              |  |
| Great Beak Lake   | Great African American-Olympic (960L) Shaun Hunter |  |
|   | Great Aussie Inventions (1040L) Amy Hunter         |  |
|   | Great Bear Lake (750L) Erin Hunter                 |  |
|   | Great Bear Lake (Seekers) (750L) Erin Hunter       |  |
|   | ○ None of the above                                |  |
|   | Clear selection                                    |  |
|   | Save and continue >                                |  |

Imported titles will show alongside possible matches from the Literacy Pro database. If a possible match is the correct book, select the radio button next to that title. If none of the possible matches are correct, select **None of the above**. To view more possible matches for a title, click **View more**. Click **Clear selection** to clear the selected radio button.

Click **Save and continue** to save the selections and move to the next page of matches. Titles that are marked as a match will now appear in search results and Recommended Reading Lists as matched.



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