

Accelerated Reader Guide for Parents

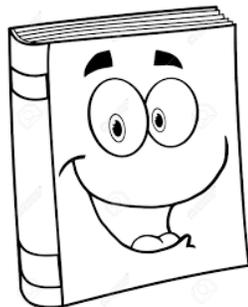


Accelerated Reader (AR) is a program designed to encourage students to read. AR tests student comprehension of books they have read using an online computer program. Most of the books in our school Library have an AR test available. All library books are clearly marked with reading level and quiz point value. The point value is the maximum number of points that can be earned from that book, if the student scores 100% on the quiz. If a student misses a question(s), partial credit is rewarded.

Goals and Test Procedures

SHCS students take the STAR Reading test twice a year. This test provides data on their reading comprehension level so your child's teacher can assign an appropriate reading range and point goal. Most point goals are easily attainable within a quarter, however, please encourage your child to **KEEP** reading once they have reached their point goal. Continuous reading creates a habit that will benefit your student in numerous ways. Special celebrations and rewards are given to students who read above and beyond their point goals.

This year, students will have the opportunity to take AR tests during their library class and in their classroom with their teachers permission.



Accelerated Reader Guidelines

- ◆ Students must read the entire book before taking a test on it.
- ◆ Do not take a test if you have only "seen the movie".
- ◆ Students should not talk to other students while they are testing, or help them with their test in any way.
- ◆ Tests may only be taken with your reading teacher, or in the Library.
- ◆ Parents should use Renaissance Home Connect to check their child's AR progress on a regular basis.
- ◆ Students should use the school's on-line catalog and AR Bookfinder to research books and their levels. Links to both sites can be found on the Library/Media page of our school website.

Please direct any additional questions or concerns to Mrs. Cooksey at S.Cooksey@StHelenSchoolVero.org