



Accelerated Reader

Turning Reluctant Readers into Bookworms



What is Accelerated Reader?

AR is a reading program that helps teachers support and monitor students' reading practice. Your child picks a book at their level and reads it at their own pace. When finished, your child takes a short online quiz to measure their comprehension of the book. A pass of 85% or higher indicates that your child has understood what was read. Teachers use quiz results to set targets and direct ongoing reading practice.

What is a Star Reading test?

Star Reading is an online test used to measure your child's reading level. The multiple-choice tests are completed before every data collection. The results of the test provide students with a reading age and a Zone of Proximal Development (ZPD). The ZPD tells your child what range of book levels they can read.

How to Log on

Students can access quizzes via the school website (www.cliftonschoool.org) and by clicking on the **Library** option under the **Students** tab. The link to AR is at the bottom of the page via this icon → 

On the welcome page, your child needs to select **I am a Student** and then log in using their AR details. In most cases, their username will be the first letter of their forename followed by the first four letters of their surname.

For example: David Jones would enter **DJONE** as his username. The password for all students is **abc**.

If you need further help with logging on, please email Mrs Hewitt (ehewitt@cliftonschoool.org) or your English teacher.

How can you help at home?

As with anything, performance improves with practice. Reading with your child is an important part of developing a good reader and building a lifelong love of reading and learning, so make it family affair!

- Make time for them to read at home every day. Students are expected to do a minimum of 15 minutes of reading per night as part of their English homework.
- Encourage your child; discuss books and ask questions to check their understanding.
- Share books and stories; create a culture of reading at home.

