



WARESBORO ELEMENTARY



PARENT UNIVERSITY

5TH GRADE

2023-24





PREPARING
YOUR CHILD
FOR THE

GEORGIA MILESTONES

ASSESSMENT





MILESTONE HIGHLIGHTS

- What is the format of the Georgia Milestones?
- What are the achievement levels and what do they mean?
- What are Lexile scores?
- How are we preparing your child?
- What resources are available to parents?



TESTING DATES

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| • ELA 1, 2, 3 | April 23-25 |
| • Science | April 29 |
| • Math 1, 2 | April 30-May 1 |



COMPONENTS OF THE TEST



- English Language Arts
 - Reading and Vocabulary
 - Writing and Language
- Mathematics
- Science

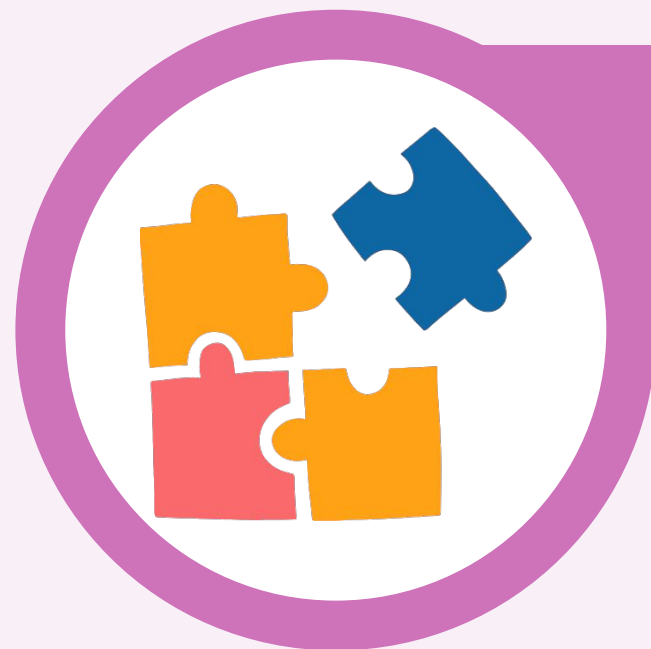




LEVEL 1 - BEGINNING LEARNER

- Does not yet demonstrate proficiency in the knowledge and skills at this grade level
- Will need substantial academic support to be prepared for the next grade level





LEVEL 2 - DEVELOPING LEARNER

- Demonstrates partial proficiency in the knowledge and skills necessary for this grade level
- Will need additional academic support to ensure success in the next grade level





LEVEL 3 - PROFICIENT LEARNER

- Demonstrates proficiency in the knowledge and skills necessary at this grade level
- Is prepared for the next grade level



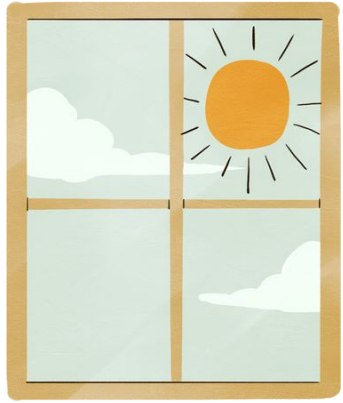


LEVEL 4 - DISTINGUISHED LEARNER

- Demonstrates advanced proficiency in the knowledge and skills necessary at this grade level
- Is well prepared for the next grade level



WHAT ARE LEXILE SCORES?



Lexile levels are scores that match a student's reading ability with the difficulty of text material. It is interpreted as the level of book a student can read with 75% comprehension. This is the level that experts feel provides students with a certain level of comfort while still offering a challenge.



5TH GRADE LEXILE BAND

830 -1010



CLOSE READING

Close reading is a close interaction with the text that involves re-reading and reflecting in order to gain a deeper understanding of the text.

Teacher asks the author telling me here?

- Are there any hard or important words?
- What does the author want me to understand?
- How does the author play with language to add to



STRATEGIES

- Question during reading
- Self-questioning
- Questioning the text
- Questioning the author
- Recount details in the reader's own words



WRITING



Students are being taught to:

- Write across the curriculum
- Read and then compare two texts, citing evidence found in the story
- Show how they got their answers in all subject areas
- Write answers that prove they understand what they read



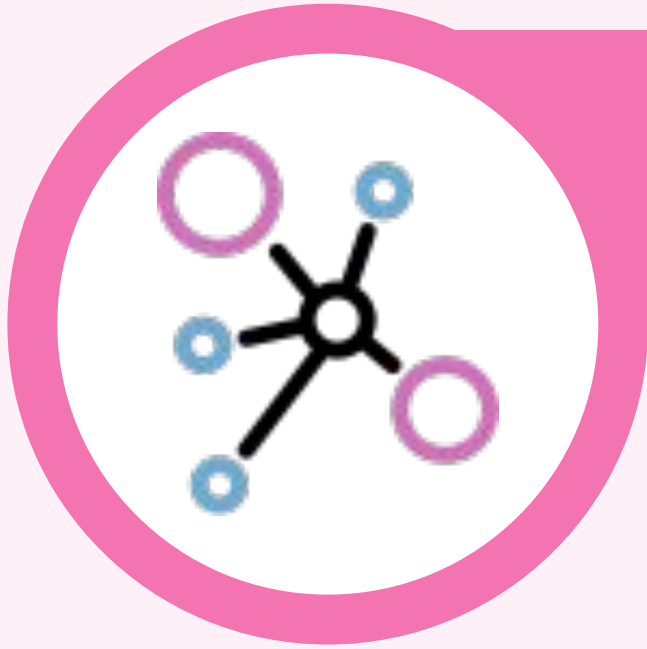


STAMINA

- Reading stamina is a child's ability to focus and read independently for extended periods of time without giving up or getting too tired.
- No matter a test taker's age or command of general reading strategies, sitting, reading, thinking, rereading, and answering questions for several hours, several days in a row, is tough.
- If students can sit, read, reread, and think for long chunks of time, they will be better prepared to sit, read, reread, think, and answer questions when it is time to take a standardized test.



TYPES OF TEST QUESTIONS



- Selected Response - Multiple Choice
- Technology Enhanced Items
- Short Constructed Response
- Extended Constructed Response





PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

- 5th Graders must pass
 - ELA
 - Math
 - Receive a + Lexile Score





TEST TAKING TIPS

Successful test takers must:

- be smart readers and writers.
- use close reading skills and writing strategies.
- remember the “vocabulary” of the test that they have been taught.





WHAT CAN YOU DO AT HOME TO HELP?

- Read nightly and encourage your child to sit for 20 minutes reading silently to him or herself to build stamina.
- Practice math fluency and work on math packets each night.
- Practice typing on the computer.
- Help students review graded papers for understanding.
- Practice using educational websites.

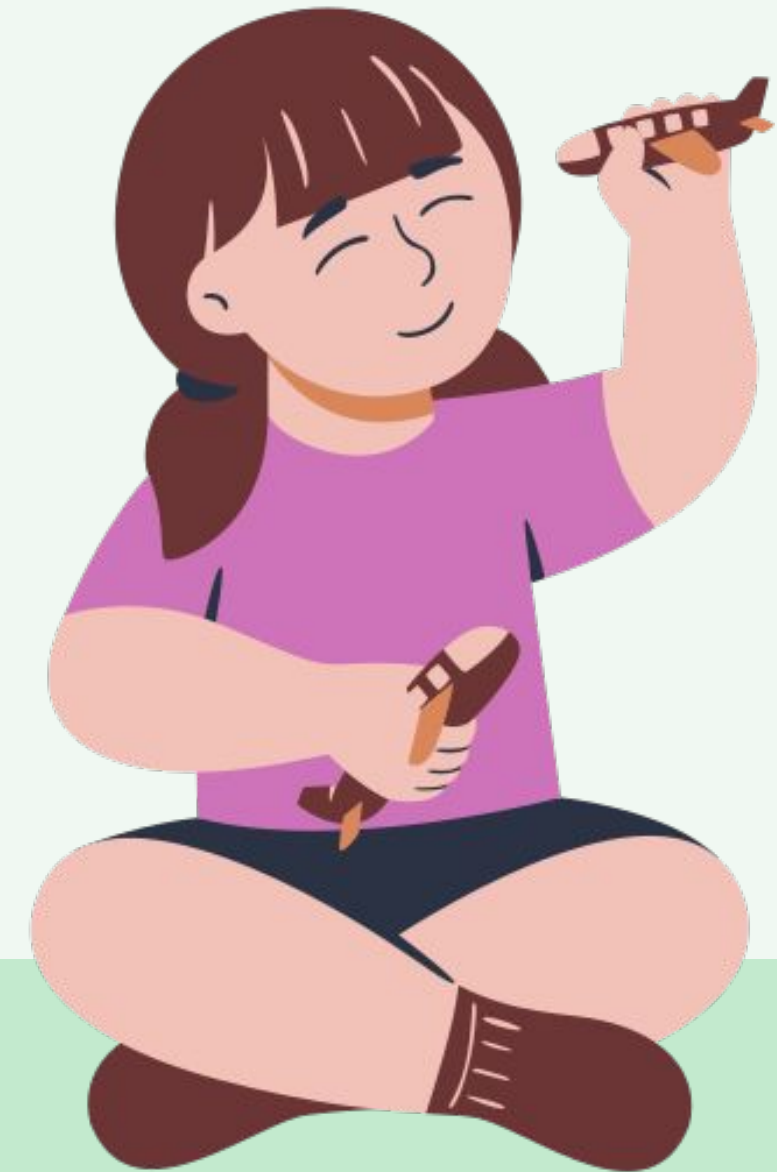


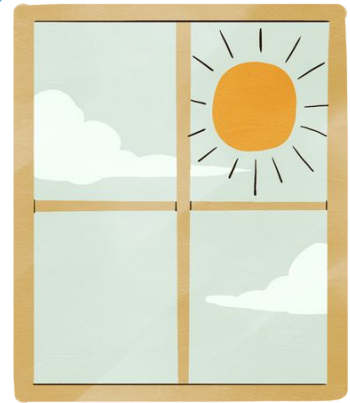


WHAT ARE WE DOING TO PREPARE YOUR STUDENTS?

We are teaching them:

- Close Reading
- Guided Reading
- Comparing/Contrasting books/passages
- Looking for text evidence
- Writing across the curriculum
- Stamina
- Math Fact Fluency





USEFUL PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES FOR HOME

- Reflex Math
- IXL - Language Arts, Math, and Science
- Progress Learning
- Study Island
- GaDoe Georgia Milestones Study/Resource Guide for Students/Parents



