



DRA Levels Conversion Chart

	DRA Levels
Emergent Readers	A – 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simple patterned text • Limited number of pages • Few words per page • Strong picture support
Emergent Readers <i>bridging to</i> Beginning Readers	3 – 4
Beginning Readers	4 – 14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited words on a page • Strong picture support • Carefully controlled text and repeated vocabulary • Familiar language
Beginning Readers <i>bridging to</i> Transitional Readers	14 – 18
Transitional Readers	18 – 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More pages with more text per page • Longer and more complex sentences • Less reliance on pictures • Richer vocabulary • Greater variety in sentence pattern
Transitional Reader <i>bridging to</i> Independent Readers	24 – 30
Independent Readers	30 – 44 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More text per page • Challenging vocabulary • More complex sentences • Less familiar, more varied topics • Varied writing styles • More descriptive language • Chapters
Independent Readers <i>bridging to</i> Extending Readers (44+)	44 +

Extending Readers DRA Levels 44 - 80