

READING PYRAMID Grading & Fast Facts

The Reading Pyramid will be assessed by each student's Humanities teacher by term based upon the number of books read with journal writing and reading goals recorded.

1st - 5th term standard will be:

Students will read at least 3 books in the 6 weeks of each term, with journal and goal writing.

- √ If a student did not have any evidence of reading (i.e. did not have journal, pyramid, etc.) they would receive a "0".
- √ If a student read 1 book in the 6 weeks of the term with some journal writing and set their goal, they would receive a "1".
- √ If a student read 2 books in the 6 weeks of the term, wrote in their journal, set their goal, they would receive a "2".
- √ If a student read 3 books in the 6 weeks of a term, wrote in journal and set their reading goal, they would receive a "3".
- √ If a student read 4 or more books in the 6 weeks of a term, wrote in journal and set their goal, they would receive a "4".

6th term we will assess the *completion* of a Reading Pyramid:

- √ "0" - If he/she didn't complete anything.
- √ "1" - If he/she read 1 to 9 books with complete journal writing.
- √ "2" - If he/she read 10 to 14 books with complete journal writing.
- √ "3" - If he/she read 15 books with complete journal writing.
- √ "4" - If he/she read 20 books or more with complete journal writing.

2012-2013 Term Deadlines:

Term 1 - October 9	Term 4 - March 8
Term 2 - November 28	Term 5 - April 26
Term 3 - January 24	Term 6 - June 11

Pyramid *Fast Facts*:

△ Students will not be able to carry over to the following term additional books over 4 in order to assure that the student is reading all year. Most of these kids are our true readers and will still meet or exceed the standard every term.

△ There will be rewards for early and multiple completions of the Reading Pyramid. These are called "Reading Pyramid Celebrations":
MOVIES - Students who complete the first pyramid by the end of 3rd term will have the option of attending a movie scheduled during late January or early February. Students who complete 2 pyramids by the end of the 5th term will have the option of attending another celebration, usually scheduled during May. REALLY RED HOT READERS are students who complete 3 or more pyramids by the end of the 5th term.

△ The completion of ONE pyramid is required. Anything above and beyond may be rewarded with Reading Celebrations.

△ In order to participate in any Reading Celebrations, students must have met standard each term.

△ Student book entries on the Reading Pyramid must be within their personal Reading Range. For example: a student with a range of 4.0 - 5.5 should not be reading a book that is 3.5. Students may read a measure above their range.

△ Students should not expect to complete several books just a few days before the end of a term. This rush is not viewed as responsible reading and journal writing.

△ The fiction genres and non-fiction Dewey Decimal distinctions are to be followed. If a student is struggling to understand or find books within these different areas, please ask for help. We love to help students!

Happy Reading!

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