

Language and Independence Level Grids

Familiar Book Language Levels (FLL) and Independence Levels (IL)

FLL 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expresses familiarity and uses schema to read Reads with a high level of accuracy—content, language, and syntax Reads with expression and intonation that matches tone of text 				
FLL 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expresses familiarity Connects one page to the next to form more cohesive text Reads with more content and language accuracy that's true to the text 				
FLL 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses more detail when naming objects and actions May connect one page to the next occasionally Relies on schema to read with more content accuracy 				
FLL 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attends to illustrations Names and labels objects and actions May not connect one page to the next May not rely upon recall of the story 				
IL 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May resist or say "I can't read" Frequently appeals to an adult for help May need a prompt or nudge for each page Relies on an adult for help to start to read and to continue reading 	IL 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May say "I can't read" at first May need a prompt or nudge to get started, but quickly takes over after a page or two May talk to an adult about text but rarely to appeal for help Relies mostly on pictures, text schema, or content knowledge to move through text 	IL 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self-initiates reading Reads with or without an adult Resourcefully uses pictures, schema for text, and/or content knowledge to read independently May ask an adult a question about content but quickly moves on independently

Language and Independence Level Grids (Continued)

Unfamiliar Book Language Levels (ULL) and Independence Levels (IL)

ULL 3	ULL 2	ULL 1	IL 2	IL 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Elaborates more for each page; sounds like sentences instead of phrases• Uses sense of text and literary language to connect pages• Imagines dialogue• May editorialize about text or illustrations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Uses more detail when naming objects and actions• Uses words to connect one page to the next (<i>and then, then, etc.</i>)• May infer characters' feelings• May infer events that aren't represented in illustrations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attends to illustrations• Names and labels objects and actions• May not connect one page to the next	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May say, "I can't read"• Frequently appeals to an adult for help• May need a prompt or nudge for each page• Relies on an adult for help to start to read and to continue reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Self-initiates reading• Reads with or without an adult• Resourcefully uses pictures, schema for text, and/or content knowledge to read independently• May ask an adult a question about content but quickly moves on independently

APPENDIX D

Language and Independence Level Grids (Continued)

Informational Book Language Levels (IL) and Independence Levels (IL)

IL 3					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Acknowledges that text teaches about a topicUses domain-specific vocabularyMay include own schema for topic (accurate or not)Relies upon prior experiences with informational text to sound like an informational text that's teaching something					
IL 2					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Elaborates more when naming items, objects, and actionsUses words to connect one page to the next (<i>and then, then, etc.</i>)May switch between reading the text and editorializing about the topic or picturesSounds like a story more than an informational text					
IL 1					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Attends to illustrationsNames and labels objects, and actionsMay not connect the pagesReading may not reveal any schema for how informational text might go or sound					
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