

Reading Level Correlation Chart

Grade	<u>Accelerated Reader</u> ATOS Levels	<u>Fountas & Pinnell</u> Guided Reading Levels (GRL)	<p>This chart provides approximate correlations for the two most common reading level scales can help you identify books at your child's current reading level when other leveling systems are used.</p> <p>Minneapolis Public Schools use the Fountas & Pinnell system, also commonly referred to as Guided Reading Level (GR or GRL). The Accelerated Reader (sometimes called ATOS) system is commonly found on Scholastic books and order forms.</p>
K	0.1	A	
		B	
		C	
1	1.0-1.9	D	
		E	
		F	
		G	
		H	
		I	
		J	
2	2.0-2.9	J	
		K	
		L	
		M	
3	3.0-3.9	M	
		M	
		N	
		N	
4	4.0-4.9	O	
		P	
		P	
5	5.0-5.9	Q	
		Q	
		R	
5	5.0-5.9	S	
		T	
		U - W	

Guided Reading Level (GRL) - Irene C. Fountas, a professor in the School of Education at Lesley University in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Gay Su Pinnell, a professor in the School of Teaching and Learning at Ohio State University, used their extensive literacy education experience to develop the Guided Reading system. Based on criteria such as vocabulary, sentence complexity, book and print features (i.e. pages and illustrations), text structure (i.e. flashbacks), and themes and ideas, Fountas and Pinnell split literacy development into four stages. These stages are:

- Emergent Readers (Levels A-E);
- Early Readers (Levels F-J);
- Early Fluent Readers (Levels K-P); and
- Fluent Readers (Levels Q-W).

In addition to leveled text, Guided Reading uses shared reading, read aloud, and interactive writing activities to support the program.

ATOS Level - Developed by Renaissance Learning, the ATOS Readability Formula determines the reading difficulty of a book by calculating the: semantic difficulty (measuring word length, frequency, and familiarity); syntactic difficulty (measuring sentence length); and book length. The ATOS leveling system is used in the Accelerated Reader reading management program.

The Scholastic Book Wizard can help you to identify the level for a given book, or to find books at a given level: <http://bookwizard.scholastic.com/tbw/homePage.do>. By choosing "Guided Reading", you can identify books according to the Fountas & Pinnell scale

- *Important: Before searching for a book on this site you must go to the top of the page in "Your Reading Level System" and check the circle "Guided Reading" and click "SET". Once completed, enter the title or author in the "Quick Search" box and click "Search". The level of the book is under "Guided Reading".*

The screenshot shows the Scholastic Teacher Book Wizard website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Scholastic logo and links for Teachers, Parents, Kids, Administrator, Librarians, and More. Below this is a search bar and a 'My Account' link. The main content area is divided into four tabs: TEACHING RESOURCES, STUDENT ACTIVITIES, BOOKS & AUTHORS, and CONNECT. Under the BOOKS & AUTHORS tab, there are sub-links for New & Noteworthy, Teacher Book Wizard™, Book List Exchange, All About Authors, and Teaching With Books. A featured banner for Teacher Book Wizard™ includes a quote from Elizabeth Mazzurco, a Grade 2 teacher: "The leveling system makes finding 'just right' books easy." To the right of the banner, the 'Your Reading Level System' section is highlighted with a red circle. It contains four radio button options: Grade Level Equivalent (selected), Lexile Framework, Guided Reading, and DRA. A 'Set' button is located to the right of these options. Below the radio buttons are buttons for BookAlike™, Quick Search, Leveled Search, and Help.