



Scholastic Reading Counts![™] Enterprise Edition

Relying on the breadth of the classroom and school library resources, *Scholastic Reading Counts!* leverages an independent reading program into a measurable and highly motivating strategy to raise reading achievement for students in Grades K-12. This technology-based program assesses students' mastery of fiction, nonfiction, and curriculum-based texts, and then provides educators with complete reports on their reading performances.

Program Design

The only motivational reading program that relies on the *Lexile Framework[™] for Reading*, *Scholastic Reading Counts!* (SRC) fosters a positive learning and teaching experience by integrating assessment-based technology into the daily practice of reading.

1. Students create their own reading lists. *Scholastic Reading Counts!* prompts students to select topics of interest, then generates a reading list for them to view at the appropriate reading level range. Students will be offered many engaging titles to choose from and read.
2. Students quickly check their comprehension with a computer-generated quiz. *Scholastic Reading Counts!* recognizes reading success and provides instant feedback. Over 40,000 quiz titles are available to support leveled reading and curriculum needs.
3. Educators meet accountability requirements. Educators easily track reading progress by school, class, group, and student. Instant, data-driven reports help inform instruction. Teachers know what progress students have made and when to intervene.

Management System and Reports

Scholastic Reading Counts! Enterprise Edition provides continuous assessment and immediate feedback for administrators, teachers, parents, and students using the *Scholastic Achievement Manager* (SAM). SAM can scale support and program implementation and data management to the district level.

- Reports—SAM aggregates and disaggregates data to provide powerful reports on students' performance and program usage. These reports allow teachers and administrators to learn more about the books read by students, the level of student and class participation in the program, student success with quizzes, and overall reading progress. SAM also generates customizable reports that detail students' achievement levels and progress toward reading goals. Educators can use the data to differentiate instruction for readers of all ability levels.
- Book Expert—SAM provides a new and easy way to get the books and quizzes schools need for their independent reading programs. Teachers can easily search the entire SRC database to identify books that fit students' and curriculum needs. This software feature also allows teachers to read a synopsis of each book and print book labels to organize a class or school library.
- Resources—SAM keeps teachers up-to-date with access to all program materials. Teachers can download and print the latest copies of support materials directly from the Resources folder in SAM.
- Parent Letters—Keeping parents informed on their children's participating on the program and reading progress is easy with parent letters available in English and Spanish.

Motivation and Engagement

Students in the *Reading Counts!* program enjoy reading leveled books that they have selected and that give them the appropriate amount of reading challenge. High-interest, age appropriate, personalized congratulations screens pop up when students successfully complete a quiz. *Scholastic Reading Counts!* also offers creative incentive ideas to motivate readers and generate excitement. Students can be awarded achievement certificates and ribbons, earn points to exchange for a variety of available incentives, or receive classroom theme prizes. Elementary, middle, and high school students select from different screens with appropriate topic choices. The *Read-O-Meter* gives students a voice by allowing them to rate a book after they have successfully completed a quiz. Students can also use the *Read-O-Meter* results to inform their future reading choices.

Home-School Connection

Reading Counts! provides multiple means for involving parents in their children's reading program. Parent Letters describe the program and list ways to encourage reading at home. Parents support reading at home by reading aloud the leveled books students choose and promoting reading for pleasure. Test results and progress reports are shared with parents during conference times or sent home. Students can share their successes with parents during a "Family Reading Night" or Open House.

Professional Development

Scholastic offers a full-day, *Reading Counts!* (SRC) Implementation Training for teachers and media specialists. This optional training helps teachers and media specialists get started using the program in their classrooms and libraries, along with providing strategies for setting goals, motivating readers, and monitoring reading progress. Participants will learn how to effectively use *Scholastic Reading Counts!*, including:

- Understanding how SRC meets the research-based criteria for effective reading programs
- Experiencing the SRC software and hands-on practice with the management system to customize the reading quizzes
- Analyzing report data to monitor reading progress and provide targeted instruction
- Exploring strategies for setting goals and motivating independent readers

 For additional information about *Scholastic Reading Counts!*, visit www.scholastic.com/src.