

Your child reads independently, or on his/her own, at a **level E**. Readers at **level E** encounter texts that have three to eight lines of print per page. They are able to read sentences that carry over two to three lines or even across two pages. Students are relying more on the print as they read texts with less supportive pictures. They read without pointing, but you may see them use their finger to help them break apart unknown words.

Your child is learning to recognize more sight words, which are the most commonly used words (for example: and, for, but, with). You can find more sight words by clicking on this link and referring to the first hundred word list: <http://www.spelling-words-well.com/sight-word-list.html>

The following table shows the expected ranges of levels at specific grade levels. Make note of where your child should be by the end of the school year:

Kindergarten	1st Grade	2nd Grade	3rd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade
RB, A, B, C, D	D, E, F, G, H, I, J	J, K, L, M	M, N, O, P	P, Q, R, S	S, T, U

You can help your child reach the end of year goal by following the ABC's of active reading. It is helpful to:

Ask questions

- Why do you think the character is acting the way he/she is acting? What makes you think this way?
- How did the author make this story surprising or funny? Use parts of the story in your answer.
- How can you tell the text is fiction or nonfiction?

Build vocabulary

- Discuss unknown words.
- Ask your child to read the sight words on the page.
- Ask your child to point to and read nouns (words that name a person, place, thing or animal) in the story.

Connect with the world

- What is your opinion of the text? Does the book have a good beginning and end? Why do you think this way?
- Tell me about a time when you have felt like the character.
- Did you learn new things about the topic of the book? What new things?

Keep reading every night! Remember your child can read level E books by him/herself and can read level F books with your help. The lists below are sample level E and F books.

Sample Level E Books		
TITLE	AUTHOR	FICTION / NONFICTION
All Around Our Country	Hutchins, Jeannie	Nonfiction
Animal Pals	Cherrington, Janelle	Nonfiction
The Pet That I Want	Packard, Mary	Nonfiction
Tails	Bonnell, Kris	Nonfiction
Who Loves Buddy?	McGougan, Kathy	Fiction
Sea Turtles in the Sand	Bonnell, Kris	Nonfiction
Which Hat Today?	McGougan, Kathy	Fiction
Sunflowers	Bonnell, Kris	Nonfiction
Pictures from Long Ago	Tree, Rebecca	Nonfiction
Monkey See, Monkey Do	Gave, Marc	Fiction
Dragon Egg	Mallory Loehr	Fiction
Sample Level F Books		
Title	Author	FICTION / NONFICTION
Chloe the Chameleon	Warren, Celia	Fiction
Seasons	Spinelle, Nancy Louise	Nonfiction
Happy Easter, Dear Dragon	Hillert, Margaret	Fiction
Little Monsters	Pienkowski, Jan	Fiction
Biscuit Visits the Big City	Capucilli, Alyssa Satin	Fiction
This Little Chick	Lawrence, John	Nonfiction
Penguins	Bonnell, Kris	Nonfiction
Adventures of Buddy and Stuffed Buddy	McGougan, Kathy	Fiction
Circus Fish	Coulton, Mia	Fiction
Tornadoes	Bonnell, Kris	Nonfiction

To access online resources, such as Kids A-Z to read leveled books on the iPad, computer, or smartphone, go to <https://bit.ly/CMSfamiliesread>.

You can also refer to your child's mCLASS Literacy Performance Report for more information.