

# A Parent's Guide to Renaissance Home Connect



## Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are pleased that you will soon begin using Renaissance Home Connect as a way of monitoring and encouraging your child's reading and/or math practice. We are confident that you'll find it to be a valuable tool for monitoring your child's progress. Research confirms that parental involvement in a child's education is a strong predictor of student achievement. Thank you for your involvement in your child's education.

Sincerely,

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<b>Name</b> _____
<b>Student Login</b> _____
<b>Student Password</b> _____
<b>Renaissance Home Connect Web Address</b> _____

# Become a More Informed Parent

Now you can view your child's academic progress online!

Renaissance Home Connect provides parents with a snapshot of their child's reading progress, including average percent correct on quizzes, number of points earned, and results on the last quiz.

The main dashboard displays the following information:

- My Overall Progress:** Quizzes 87.5% (average % correct), Points 27.7 (87% of goal), ATOS Book Level 4.0 (average level).
- My Last Quiz:** Taken 1/13/2009, 9 of 10 Correct (90%), 2.6 of 3.0 Points.
- Reader Certifications:** Last Achieved: Advanced Reader (1/9/2009), Current Goal: Star Reader.
- Find Books:** AR BookFinder link.

**Email Setup**  
Share Scores and Progress

First Name:   
Email:   
Retype Email:

An invitation email will be sent when you click Add. The user must accept before you can share scores.

People on my email list (6 maximum):  
Aunt Rebecca rcane@myemailprovider.com  
gnc@myemailprovider.com

You have the option to receive email notifications at home or at work when your child has completed an Accelerated Reader Quiz.

**My Words Learned**

Word	Grade Level	Word	Grade Level
gullible	11	congratulations	5
unremitting	11	criminal	5
versatile	11	luck	5
sac	10	miracle	5
injustice	9	hedges	5
swivel	8	peering	5
atlas	7	produce	5
hissal	7	properly	5
hobson	7	sharply	5
	7	spade	5
	7	spade	5

This screen provides a list of words learned and results on their latest Vocabulary Practice Quiz.

**Booksshelf**  
My Reading Practice Quizzes

Grid of book covers including 'Elephants', 'Charlotte's Web', 'The Hobbit', 'The Catcher in the Rye', 'The Outsider', 'The Sandlot', 'The Sandlot 2', 'The Sandlot 3', 'The Sandlot 4', 'The Sandlot 5', 'The Sandlot 6', 'The Sandlot 7', 'The Sandlot 8', 'The Sandlot 9', 'The Sandlot 10'.

This screen enables you and your child to see all the books the child has read. By clicking on a book cover, you can get details on the book such as ATOS book level, word count, points, and more.

**AR BookFinder**  
Quick Search | Advanced Search

Enter Keyword:

You can search for book titles based on keywords. If you want to search for in the blank field above, select book titles to add to your new search.

Renaissance Home Connect links to AR BookFinder, the new online search tool that makes it easy for you and your child to search for the next AR book to read.

Current Marking Period:   
Current Marking Period:   
School Year:

goal 85  
100  
Above Goal

Your child's progress toward reading goals can be monitored by either marking period or school year by using the drop-down menu.

Renaissance Home Connect also provides you with a snapshot of your child's math progress, including average percent correct on tests, number of math objectives mastered, and results on the last test.

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reading **math**

Accelerated Math MathFacts in a Flash

Tests Practice & Exercises Math Glossary

**My Overall Progress**  
 10/16/2008 - 1/15/2009 (92% Complete)

**Tests** 87%  
 average % correct

**Objectives Ready to Test** 3

**Mastered Objectives** 36  
 90% of goal

**Objectives Mastered** 128

Tests Taken: 39 Test Problems Worked: 195 Total Problems Worked: 563

**My Last Test**  
 Completed 1/13/2009

**Problems 5-17 Form 2541** 82%  
 % correct

Problems: Correct Incorrect Objectives

4/5 5. 90 Estimate time  
 4/5 14. 91 Tell time to hour & minute  
 1/1 93 Calculate elapsed time

**Email Setup**  
 Share Scores and Progress

First Name:   
 Email:   
 Retype Email:

**Add** An invitation is sent when you click and accept

people on my email list (5 maximum)

You have the option to receive email notifications at home or at work when your child has completed an Accelerated Math test.

**Objectives Mastered**

Week Beginning	Objectives Mastered
May 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WP-Subtract money expressions</li> <li>Subtract money expressions</li> <li>Add money expressions</li> </ul>
Apr 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WP-Subtract same-place decimals</li> <li>Count money</li> <li>WP-Add money expressions</li> <li>WP-Add same-place decimals</li> </ul>

This screen enables you and your child to view a list of all of the math objectives that have been mastered during the school year and the week in which they were mastered.

**Worked Examples**  
 Objective 122

Print or Save

**WP: DETERMINE THE PERIMETER OR AREA OF A POLYGON**

**PROBLEM**  
 One of the greens of a miniature golf course is shown below. What is the area of the green?

Diagram showing a rectangle with dimensions 6 ft by 10 ft and a smaller rectangle inside with dimensions 4 ft by 4 ft.

**STEP 1**  
 Separate the figure into two rectangles.

Worked Examples build procedural knowledge for math skills by providing step-by-step guidance on how to solve problems for each Accelerated Math objective.

**My Last Session at School**  
 Taken 1/13/2009

**Addition of 2, 3** 90%  
 average % correct

Accuracy	Time
Actual: 36 of 40 Correct (90%)	1 Minute, 39 Seconds
Goal: 40 of 40 Correct (100%)	2 Minutes, 00 Seconds

**Correct Problems**  
 $2 + 9 = 11$     $3 + 7 = 10$

Renaissance Home Connect is also available for MathFacts in a Flash to allow you and your child to view progress and receive extra practice on math facts.

(Requires Renaissance Place Edition of MathFacts in a Flash.)

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Accelerated Math MathFacts in a Flash

Tests Practice & Exercises

**My Overall Progress**  
 10/16/2008 - 1/13/2009 (92% Complete)

**Practice & Exercises** 90%  
 average % correct

**My Last Practice**  
 Completed 1/13/2009

**Problems 6-22 Form 510** 88%  
 % correct

Problems: Correct Incorrect Objectives

1/13 13. 90 Estimate metric weight  
 1/13 14. 90 Measure metric length with ruler  
 1/13 15. 90 Read calendars  
 1/13 16. 90 Subtract 1-digit numerator proper fractions\*  
 1/13 17. 90 Subtract 1-digit denominator proper fractions\*  
 1/13 18. 90 Fluency with decimals (hundredths)\*

**Current Practice**  
 Problems 1-15 Form 511  
 Score Assignment  
 Reprint

**Current Exercise**  
 Problems 7-11 Form 1432  
 Score Assignment  
 Reprint

**Practice**  
 Accelerated Math™ Tuesday, January 6, 2009, 3:43 PM

Form Number 511 (Reprint)

**Problem**  
 Jill spends 7 dimes and 3 pennies. How much does Jill spend?  
 (a) 37¢ (b) 10¢ (c) 73¢ (d) 38¢

Look for a pattern. What comes next?  
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If your child leaves a homework assignment or exercise at school, you can reprint it at home.

**Score Practice**  
 Assignment Printed 1/9/2009

**Form 511**

1.  A  B  C  D  Not Answered

2.  A  B  C  D  Not Answered

3.  A  B  C  D  Not Answered

4.  A  B  C  D  Not Answered

If the teacher has the scoring preference turned on, your child can score assignments from home by filling in the electronic scan card just like they would a paper one.

## **What is Renaissance Home Connect?**

Renaissance Home Connect is a tool that connects the school and home to keep parents informed of their child's progress toward Accelerated Reader, Accelerated Math, and MathFacts in a Flash goals, and encourages the child to practice reading and math at home.

## **How does Renaissance Home Connect help me improve my child's reading progress?**

- You can view your child's progress toward reading goals and reader certification, and view all books that your child has read and quizzes your child has taken.
- You can view all words a child has learned through Vocabulary Practice Quizzes. In addition, words the child missed are clearly marked so you can help your child learn those words.
- You can access a new online search tool, AR BookFinder, to search for books using various criteria, including author, subject, or reading level.
- You can receive emails that reveal results for Reading Practice Quizzes and Vocabulary Practice Quizzes and provide links to the Web site where you can check progress.

## **How does Renaissance Home Connect help me improve my child's math progress?**

- You can see the most recent practice and test results, as well as overall percent correct and total math objectives mastered toward goals.
- You can reprint and score practice and exercise assignments from home.
- You can give your child more practice on all levels of math facts from home via the Web without the need to install separate software.
- You can receive emails that reveal results of math tests and provide links to the Web site where you can check progress.

## **How do I get access to Renaissance Home Connect?**

Schools that have Enterprise Editions of Accelerated Reader or Accelerated Math will automatically have access to Renaissance Home Connect. Renaissance Home Connect for MathFacts in a Flash is available to schools with Renaissance Place version of MathFacts in a Flash. Your child's teacher will provide you with the Web address for Renaissance Home Connect. The same login and password that your child uses at school will work at home.

## **What if I have questions about using Renaissance Home Connect?**

Contact your child's school if you need help using Renaissance Home Connect or have questions about it.