# Using Lexia® PowerUp Literacy® at Home

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This year, your reader will be using Lexia® PowerUp Literacy®, a computer-based program that tailors instruction to their specific needs. The activities in PowerUp support and build on our English language arts classroom curriculum, focusing on three areas essential to becoming a proficient reader: word study, grammar, and comprehension.

Here's how PowerUp works:

- Your reader begins PowerUp at a starting point that fits their specific needs and works in online activities throughout the week.
- Online activities include direct instruction and feedback as your reader learns new skills.
- Progress and performance in the program is reported so teachers can provide help when needed.
- Paper-and-pencil activities are also used for practice and may be done in school or brought home.
- Achievement certificates may be sent home to celebrate success and to show progress in the program.

We hope you share in our excitement about this program!

Sincerely,

# Lexia PowerUp Literacy can be used at home. Getting started is easy!

Use one of the following browsers: Chrome, Edge, Firefox, or Safari. (Internet Explorer is not supported.) See the **System Requirements** for details.









- 2. To use on an iPad, download the Lexia PowerUp Literacy app.
- 3. Students should complete the tasks on their own. This is important because PowerUp provides extra support and instruction if students struggle with a task and alerts teachers when further help is required.
- 4. Our school uses a portal:
  - ☐ Our school logs in directly to <a href="https://www.lexiapowerup.com">www.lexiapowerup.com</a>:

Teacher Email (for set up)	
Student Username	
Password	

For additional information about supported devices, visit the Lexia Help Center for Support for Families.

Please note that Lexia Customer Support is not able to provide student usernames or passwords, or teacher emails.















# Tips for Home Use

## How can I support my reader's online learning?

#### Schedule time for learning.

Try to set a schedule that will help your reader reach their personalised weekly goal. Talk about the progress your reader is making toward their weekly time goal and the number of units they've completed. Keep in mind that the target number of minutes is for the entire week, not per day!

#### Set up for success.

PowerUp supports learning with audio directions, questions, and instruction. Provide a quiet space for learning, and check the volume before each session. (Headphones can be helpful but aren't necessary.)

#### Support independent learning.

It's important to let your reader work in PowerUp without help from parents, siblings, or other caregivers. PowerUp is designed to give support and instruction that helps students when they need it.

- Students set goals for their work in PowerUp and select a skill area to focus on each session. Once students have completed their weekly target minutes in a skill area, it is closed until the goal for other skill areas have been completed.
- Remind your reader to complete a unit before logging off. The green bar at the bottom of the screen fills to show progress in each unit.
- If your reader needs additional help, encourage them to use the program tools located on the activity screen.



 Have your reader log out by going back to the dashboard and selecting the X in the upper left. A confirmation message will be shown and logout is complete when the login screen displays. Logging out completely is important to accurately reflect the time your reader spends on each activity.

#### Celebrate progress and success!

Every time students log in, they are making progress toward their reading goals.

- Select the Your Progress button on the Student Dashboard see an overview of your reader's progress.
- Progress and performance in PowerUp is reported directly to teachers so they can provide additional help when needed. Teachers may share this information with you and make specific recommendations for you to support your reader.
- Teachers may also let you know when your reader earns an achievement certificate. Celebrate by asking your reader to share what they have learned.

## What resources can be used to support literacy learning at home?

As students work in PowerUp, their teacher receives progress and performance updates. Based on this information, teachers may share specific resources to support learning at home.

Lexia Anchor Charts are a downloadable tool used to support instruction and promote academic success. Anchor Charts can be viewed online for instruction or used as study guides.

Lexia Skill Builders are leveled practice materials that build automaticity, promote generalisation, and expand expressive language.

**Lexia Read @ Home Newsletters** offer hands-on activity ideas to promote literacy development at home. These fun games and projects can be completed with common household items.

Follow Lexia Learning on **Twitter**, **Facebook**, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u> to view tips and resources.