

Accelerated Reader Contract

Term: _____

Students are encouraged to read any books they choose, but the only way to earn reading points is to pass Accelerated Reader tests. Students should therefore do the “required” reading first! Reading is its own reward, and it is perfectly reasonable to expect students to read from a prescribed list some of the time. Our AR list has more than 4000 titles, and students have a 25-minute silent reading period *during the school day*. Earning the required reading points is not an unreasonable expectation.

I, _____, will read the following novel(s) this term:
(student name)

Title of Novel	Author	Reading Level	Point Value

If you are reading more than three novels this term, list others on the back and check here: ✓ .

By signing this contract, I am promising that

- I will take all Accelerated Reader tests without help;
- I have chosen the novels carefully, based on my own reading competence and interest.

By signing this contract, I affirm that I understand the following:

- It is strongly recommended that students read novels that fall within their own ZPD (zone of proximal reading development).
- I will be allowed to take Accelerated Reader tests only on the novels listed above.
- Points I earn from reading books other than those listed will not be included in my term grade.
- Accelerated Reader tests may only be taken once, regardless of the score I receive.
- Any changes made to this contract must be completed before midterm and must include a parent signature.
- Reading points will account for **20% of the term grade**. To receive full reading points for the term, the requirements are as follows:
 - **7th Grade: 20 AR points per term**
 - **8th Grade: 25 AR points per term**
 - **9th Grade: 30 AR points per term**
- Reading points will not be figured into my grade until the last week of the term.
- Any form of cheating or deception in the Accelerated Reader program will result in loss of all reading points for the term and a “U” citizenship grade.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parents: Please sign below to indicate that you have seen this contract and approved your student’s choice of book(s) for the term. If you have any questions about this contract, please contact the teacher. If your child would like to earn reading points for a book that the school does not have on its AR list, you are welcome to help our school write a test. Thank you!

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

Please sign and return this contract to the teacher by _____.