What are Lexia® Skill Checks?

Overview

Skill Checks are one of the embedded assessment tools used in Lexia® Core5® Reading to provide timely and actionable insights. Skill Checks complement the placement tool and Lexia's patented Assessment Without Testing® process to provide a comprehensive picture of a student's acquisition of literacy skills.

These short, strategic checks occur at the end of each level in Core5. They cover essential skills for each activity, providing valuable and actionable insights into a student's understanding of skills, and guiding teacher support and skills tracking.

Skill Checks provide a way to validate student understanding as students progress to the next level, demonstrating the student's mastery of key skills. They also highlight students' strengths across activities and illuminate areas where additional reinforcement may be beneficial.

The design and student experience in Skill Checks is similar to the learning units in Core5. This consistency promotes student confidence and success as they demonstrate their learning.

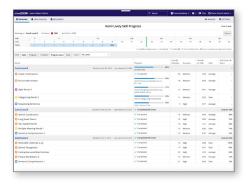
How do Skill Checks differ from the Core5 learning experience?

Skill Checks are a flexible, quick check for learning. They are intended to provide confirmation of a student's understanding of key skills. By design:

- Skill Checks do not include corrective feedback or instructional branching.
- For many activities, responses are saved after each question so students can return to the section where they left off if a unit is not completed.

When do Skill Checks occur?

- Skill Checks happen at the end of each level in Core5. After students have finished the learning content for all five activities, they move on to the Skill Checks for that level.
- Students can complete the Skill Check for each activity in any order they choose.



















How long do Skill Checks take to complete?

- Each activity in Core5 has a Skill Check unit. Most Skill Check units include about ten questions.
- The length of time it takes each student will depend on the student and the level in which they are working.
 Most students will need less than 25 minutes to finish all five Skill Checks for a level.
- Without instructional branching, a Skill Check unit is shorter than a typical Core5 unit.

What happens after Skill Checks?

After completing the Skill Checks, students celebrate the completion of a level and move on to the next level. You can find Achievement Certificates and Lexia Skill Builders in the Action Plan on the myLexia Class Overview. Skill Check data is included in the Student Skills Report and Student Detailed Skills Report.

Data Review Process

Where and how should Skill Check data be reviewed?

As soon as a student finishes a level, you can review the results of the Skill Checks by logging into myLexia and viewing the Student Skills Report. This may be valuable for students who are prioritized for support, such as those working on material below their current grade, or students who have been flagged for instruction. You can also incorporate this data into your monthly or quarterly data reviews as an indication of student performance on key skills.

To consider Skill Check data as part of your regular myLexia data routine:

- On the Student Skills Report, review the student's Overall Score on the Skill Checks. Is the overall
 performance below 75%? If yes, prioritize additional data review, including a detailed look at Skill Check
 performance for each activity.
- Review the student's Activity Score for each Skill Check. Are there activities with performance below 75%?
 If yes, review the student's Rate and Accuracy and Student Detailed Skills Report.
- 3. As needed, provide additional teacher-mediated instruction and practice opportunities using Lexia instructional resources, such as Lexia Connections.

