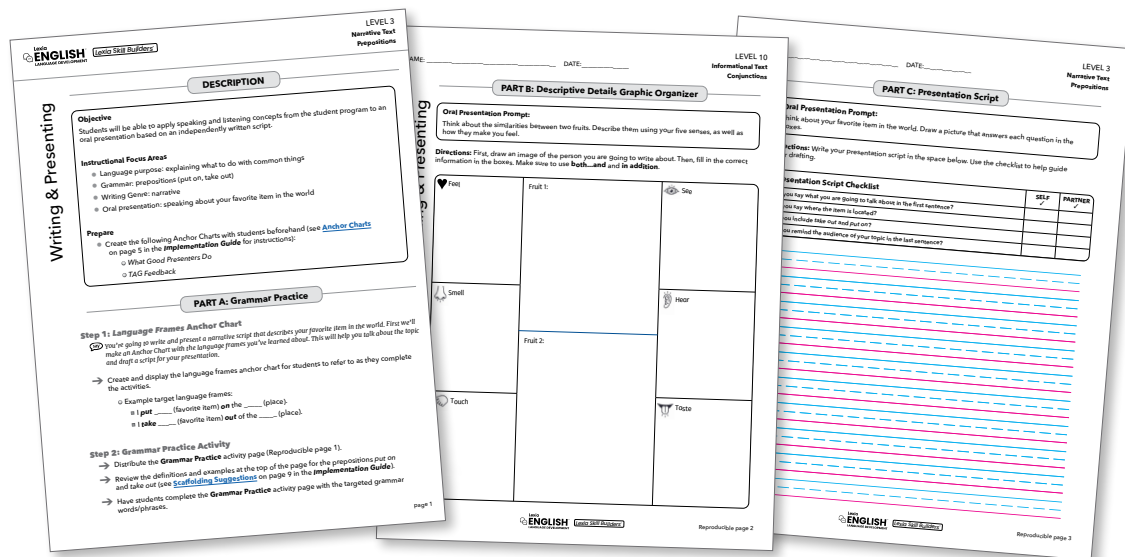# Lexia® English
Lexia Skill Builders® Overview

What are Lexia Skill Builders?

Lexia Skill Builders® for Lexia® English Language Development™ are designed to help students further engage with content from the student program through writing tasks and speaking routines focused on oral presentation skills.

Students plan and draft a presentation script using the language and grammar they have learned in the Lexia English student program. Opportunities for oral and written expression, peer collaboration, and skill refinement are embedded in the design of the Skill Builders.
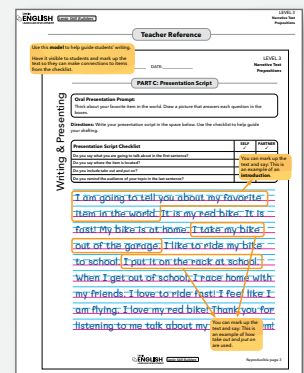

Why are Lexia Skill Builders important?

Skill Builders are designed to further support and enrich students' oral language development, offering students additional ways to engage with the content from the student program through writing, oral expression, and peer collaboration. All Skill Builder writing tasks are in the service of oral language development.

Answer Key & Sample Student Work

An answer key and samples of student work are included in each leveled set of Lexia Skill Builders.

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Where can Lexia Skill Builders be found?

In myLexia.com, there are several places to access Lexia Skill Builders that can be downloaded and printed. In the myLexia **Class Table**, the **Skill Builders** tab ❶ of the **Action Plan** displays a list of students who have completed a program level ❷ and are ready for independent application and generalization of the activities in that level.
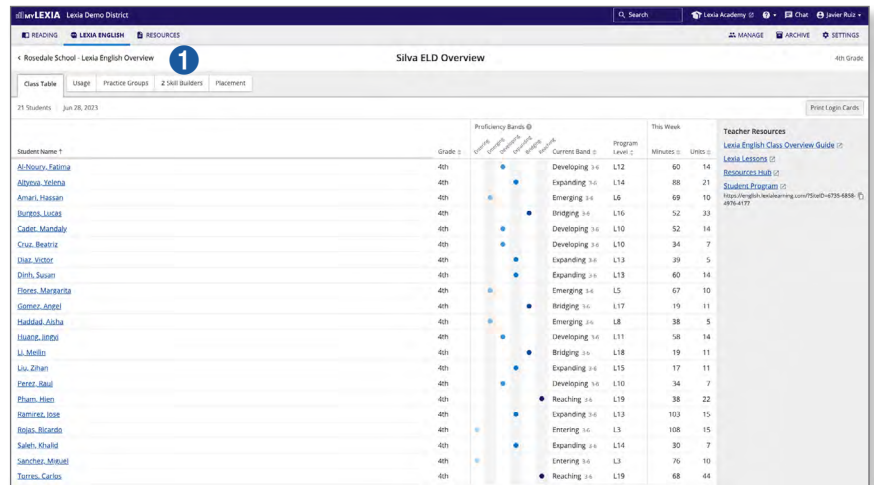
For teachers who want to have Lexia Skill Builders available as students complete individual online activities, sets can be downloaded and printed anytime from the Lexia Skill Builders Library in the Resources tab of **www.myLexia.com**.

To access digital Lexia Skill Builders, log in to **myLexia > Resources** to access the **Resources Hub > Support for Instruction** page. Selecting a digital Lexia Skill Builder prompts teachers to make their own copy in Google Drive™ online storage service. Because teachers are not accessing digital Skill Builders directly through the myLexia dashboard, they need to manually mark Skill Builders as delivered in the **Class Overview**.
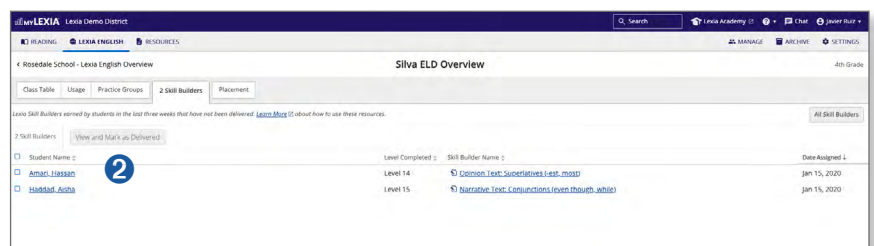
How can Lexia Skill Builders be used?

Students are encouraged to work on Lexia Skill Builders after they have successfully completed a full level in the student program. While the project-based approach of the Lexia English Skill Builders requires teacher facilitation, the tasks are designed for both independent practice and peer collaboration. The Skill Builders Implementation Guide provides step-by-step support and scaffolding suggestions for successful student engagement.

Lexia Skill Builders can be implemented in a variety of settings: whole class, small group, and one-on-one. Younger students in Kindergarten through Grade 2, as well as those beginning their schooling in English, may require additional accommodations in order to fully understand the directions, prompts, and other processes within each Skill Builder.

Usage tips from teachers

Anchor Charts: The collaborative creation of Anchor Charts is key to successful implementation and student engagement. Model the language frames from the level-specific Anchor Charts before introducing the Skill Builder tasks.

Partner Feedback: Select a student partner or a student pair to model giving and receiving feedback. Ensure the relevant Anchor Charts are accessible for the partner feedback conversation.

Scaffolding Suggestions: The Lexia English Skill Builders **Implementation Guide** includes Scaffolding Suggestions to support students who may require additional accommodations in order to fully understand the directions, prompts, and other processes.

Think Aloud: As needed, complete the Grammar Practice and Graphic Organizer components together with students. Share thinking aloud with students or engage them in a collective brainstorm.