

UNDERSTANDING THE TERRANOVA HOME REPORT

The Home Report presents test information in a meaningful, easy-to-understand way that helps parents/guardians become more involved in their child's learning.

The front page of the Home Report is a graph that summarizes the student's achievement in the content areas tested.

Section (A):

The scale on the left side of the graph displays the range of national percentile scores—1 to 99—which are the basis of this report. The student's achievement is compared with that of the national sample of students upon which the test was "normed" (i.e., standardized). The 50th percentile is the national average.

Section B:

The black bar displays the student's actual National Percentile (NP) score for each content area tested on the TerraNova achievement test. The height of each bar is determined by the student's national percentile for that content area. The actual score is also printed at the top of the bar. For example, if your student obtained an NP of 65 in Reading, this means your student performed better than 65% of the students in the national norm group.

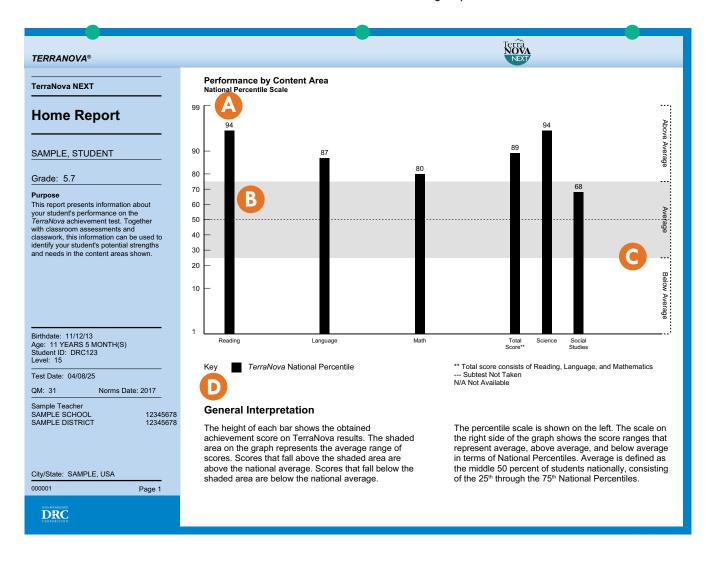
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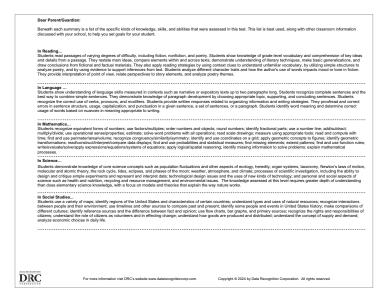
Score ranges representing average, below average, and above average achievement levels are shown on the right side of the graph. The gray shaded area—percentiles 25 to 75 indicates the average range.

Section D:

The General Interpretation section points out the most significant information conveyed by the report.

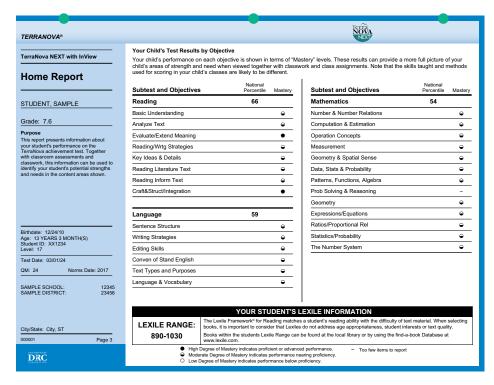


The second page of the Home Report presents detailed information about what was measured in the specific content area. This section includes content-based descriptions of the objectives and skills measured in each content area assessed. Along with information about the student's classroom performance, the information on the front side of the Home Report can be used to focus quickly on the areas of learning in which the student may need the most help. The information on page 2 of the Home Report can then be used for additional, more detailed discussion of the student's knowledge, skills, and abilities, and can assist in determining where to focus additional teaching.



PAGES 3-4 OF THE HOME REPORT

The next few pages show more detailed information on the objectives and standards assessed in the content areas. Depending on the subject areas tested and grade levels, you may see subheadings for Reading, Language, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies.



degree of mastery obtained by your student:

The circles on this page represent the

- A full darkened bubble represents High Mastery, indicative of proficient or advanced performance.
- A half-darkened bubble represents Moderate Degree of Mastery, indicative of nearing proficiency.
- An open bubble represents Low Mastery, indicative of performance that is below proficiency.

School districts have the option to add the Lexile Range information to the Home Report, which is located at the bottom of Page 3. The Lexile Framework for Reading matches a student's reading ability with the difficulty of text material. Parents/guardians may select books specific to their child's reading ability using the Lexile range at a local library or by using the find-a-book database at www.lexile.com. Many parents will utilize the Lexile range to locate books for summer reading that are tailored to their child's individual reading ability.

YOUR STUDENT'S LEXILE INFORMATION

LEXILE RANGE: 890-1030 The Lexile Framework® for Reading matches a student's reading ability with the difficulty of text material. When selecting books, it is important to consider that Lexiles do not address age appropriateness, student interests or text quality. Books within the students Lexile Range can be found at the local library or by using the find-a-book Database at www.lexile.com.



GUIDANCE ON REVIEWING TEST RESULTS

When reviewing your student's achievement and/or cognitive abilities results, it is important to note that test results represent performance in certain areas at only one particular time and must be reviewed together with the student's actual classroom work and other factors.

Information produced by testing is only one of the many variables that contribute to a student's academic portfolio. Ask the teacher if the test results are consistent with your child's classroom performance. Let the teacher know if you feel the results don't match what you feel to be your child's abilities. Pass along any information about unusual circumstances during the test-taking, illness for example. Ask your child's teacher to suggest activities that will help improve any weak areas revealed by the testing.

Tests are only one way to measure your child's progress in school. Remember there is no such thing as a bad test result. Every test-taking reveals important information about your child's progress in school. Continue to show interest in your child's school and schoolwork. Continue to encourage your child's interest in learning new things.





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For more information on the TerraNova assessment, visit www.TerraNovaNEXT.com.