Help Your Product Stand Out Beyond the Noise

More content than ever before is being delivered as audio.1 Provide your customers with a scientific and objective way to see if students can comprehend what they’re hearing.

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With This New Listening Framework, Educators Can:

- Assess listening skills using Lexile® measures, a system they know and trust.
- Improve students’ listening comprehension by matching them to audio content at their level.
- Get a more complete picture of student literacy by comparing their listening and oral and silent reading abilities.

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Why Assess Listening?

Listening is an important piece of the literacy construct – a critical skill required for success in school and careers. Findings of the Graduate Management Admission Council’s recent study show that communication skills top the list – with listening ranked second – of skills and abilities employers look for in new hires.2 In addition:

- Better listeners make better readers. A true picture of a student’s literacy lies in understanding both reading and listening skills together.3
- Listening is a part of many states’ ELA standards, accounting for 20 percent of ELA test scores.
- 80 percent of what we learn, we learn by listening.4

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**How It Works**
Leverage the universal Lexile scale to evaluate listening and match students to audio!

**STUDENT IS ASSESSED**
Students listen to audio passages, such as teacher talks, narratives, radio reports and dialogues. Students then perform tasks testing their understanding of the audio passages and receive a *Lexile listening measure.*

**AUDIO IS ANALYZED**
Listening analyzer software processes audio files and returns a *Lexile audio measure* based on four indicators: vocabulary, grammar, word sounds and delivery.

**THE MATCH**
Students with listening measures can connect with audio materials of appropriate complexity that target their listening ability and facilitate growth.

- The *listening ability of a student* is determined by how accurately they understood the audio. The higher the Lexile measure, the more advanced the student is.

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1000L — 900L — 800L — 700L — 600L — 500L — 400L — 300L — 200L — 100L — 0L
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- The *difficulty of an audio passage* is based on vocabulary, grammar, word sounds and delivery. The higher the Lexile measure, the more complex the audio passage is.

**Learn More**
We can help you develop an assessment or product that reports student listening ability in a variety of ways. For more information, contact:

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