

Text Usability Features of Centrally Purchased Online Subscription Services

2012-2013 School Year

Centrally Purchased Online Subscription Services	Text Usability Features					
	Read aloud option built-in	Images paired with text	Video or audio paired with text	Leveled text	“Print” format to copy into Word or print	Dictionary built-in
CultureGrams (all schools)	NR	y	y	Lexile Range ES-MS	y	N
Encyclopaedia Britannica Online School Edition (all schools)	y	y	y	Lexile Range ES-MS-HS	y	y (double-click)
Encyclopaedia Britannica Student NewsNet (all Schools)	NR	y	y	N	y	N
One More Story (elementary schools)	y	y	N	Lexile, AR, DRA and Fountas & Pinnell	N	N
PebbleGo Animals (elementary schools)	y	y	y	N	y	Select words
PebbleGo Earth and Space (elementary schools)	y	y	y	N	y	Select words

NR = can be read with use of Natural Reader program (on all MCPS computers, free download for home)

For list of services available at home, see <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/students/homework.aspx>

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SIRS Discoverer (all schools)	NR	Y	N	Lexile, Color-coded	Y	N
SIRS Decades (all schools)	NR	Y	N	N	Y	N
TumbleBook Library (all schools)	Y	Y	Y	Lexile AR	N	N
History Reference Center (MS and HS)	Y	Y	Y	Lexile Range (ES-MS-HS)	Y	N
MasterFILE Premier (MS and HS)	NR	Y	Y	Lexile Range (ES-MS-HS)	Y	N
Science Reference Center (MS and HS)	Y	Y	Y	Lexile Range (ES-MS-HS)	Y	N
Student Resources in Context (MS and HS)	Y	Y	N	Lexile,	Y	N
US History in Context (MS and HS)	Y	Y	N	Lexile,	Y	N
Opposing Viewpoints (HS)	Y	Y	N	Lexile,	Y	N
SIRS Issues Researcher (HS)	Y	Y	N	Lexile	Y	N
SIRS Renaissance (HS)	NR	N	N	Lexile	Y	N

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