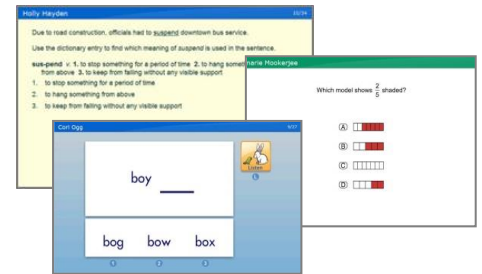


# Key Questions STAR Assessments™ Can Help You Answer



- STAR Reading™
- STAR Math™
- STAR Early Literacy™

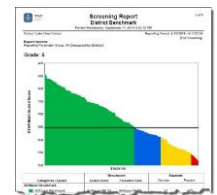
STAR Assessments™ offer expanded skills-based testing, providing even more information to help you better understand student performance and improve instruction.



## Which students are reaching benchmark and which need intervention?

### Screening Report

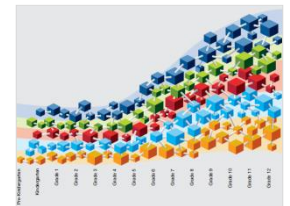
Use the **Screening Report** to help you plan for intervention and prioritize student need across an entire grade level or within a single class. The Screening Report allows you to consider student performance in relation to school, district, or state benchmarks.\*



## How do expectations change as students progress?

### Core Progress™ learning progressions

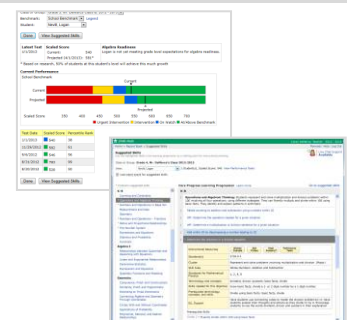
**Core Progress™ learning progressions** identify the continuums of concepts, strategies, behaviors, and skills students develop as they progress through increasingly sophisticated levels of understanding to meet grade-level expectations. View prerequisite and related skills, access skill probes and examples, and consult instructional resources to use for lesson planning and instruction. Use Core Progress learning progressions to help plan instruction, diagnose problems, and make assessment data actionable.



## Where could instruction focus to move students forward?

### STAR Record Book

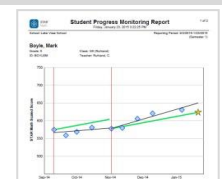
After administering a STAR™ assessment, teachers can use an interactive tool called the **STAR Record Book** to view results. Teachers can choose to view suggested skills to locate a student's entry point in the Core Progress learning progressions based upon scaled score. The Record Book also allows you to form instructional groups of students and view skill suggestions based upon the group's median scaled score. While the skills identified are not intended to be taught as discrete skills, they can be used as a starting place for planning differentiated instruction.



## Are students responding to the intervention?

### Student Progress Monitoring Report

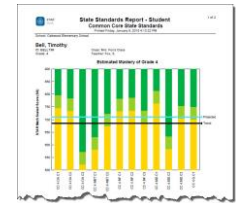
The **Student Progress Monitoring Report** plots a student's scores in relation to an individualized goal set by the teacher with the help of the STAR's goal setting tool. By using the Student Progress Monitoring Report to track progress, you'll have actionable data to help you determine the effectiveness of the intervention.



## Are students mastering state and Common Core State Standards?

### State Standards Report

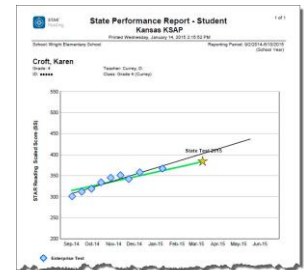
The **State Standards Report – Student** estimates current student mastery of state standards, and projects expected mastery levels by the end of the school year. This report can help you identify grade-level standards that may be more difficult for students to master. Customize this report to compare student performance to your state standards or to Common Core State Standards.



## Are students on track to reach proficiency on the state test?

### State Performance Report\*

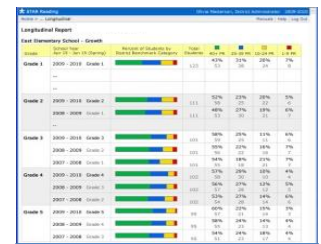
**State Performance Reports** help you determine whether students are on track to achieve proficiency on your state test. By testing students periodically prior to the state test, you have an early indication of which students may be at risk of not meeting your state proficiency requirements—in time to make instructional changes. The **State Performance Report – Student** shows the student’s growth trajectory in relation to your state test proficiency threshold. The **State Performance Report – Class** shows the average scores for a class and lists the students on and below the pathway to proficiency.



## Are students growing from year to year?

### Longitudinal Report (Growth and Cross Sectional)

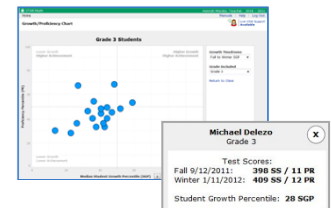
**Longitudinal Reports** help you spot trends in the data you have been accumulating over the years. You can look at your data in two ways. When you view growth data, you see how the same students scored from year to year—for example, how a group of students performed in third grade, fourth grade, and fifth grade. When you view cross-sectional data, you see how students in the same grade performed each year—for example, how this year’s fifth graders compared to last year’s fifth graders.



## How much are students at all proficiency levels learning and growing? Are there students who need more challenge?

### Growth Proficiency Chart

The **Growth Proficiency Chart** plots proficiency data and Student Growth Percentile (SGP) for each student on an interactive display. The SGP, also found on the Growth Report, helps you determine if students are growing at an adequate rate. Use this chart to help ensure you’re providing an environment in which all students are learning and growing.



\*Renaissance Learning links its STAR scale with each state test’s scale to estimate which STAR scaled scores will fall into the state test’s performance levels at the time of the state test. Reports using state benchmarks are available after the linking study is complete.