

What does your ZPD mean?

BELOW ZPD Comfort Zone



- This is an easier read, perfect for reading at home or on holiday
- Maybe it's part of a series you enjoy or is by an author you really like
- Ask your teacher first

LOWER ZPD Exploration Zone



- Go wild and try something new!
- Explore new genres, authors and book lengths
- Challenge yourself if you can

UPPER ZPD Deep Dive



Plan ahead:

- ✓ Choose a book you are excited about
- ✓ Pick a shorter book first
- ✓ Make notes as you read – remember the 5Ws!
- ✓ Ask your teacher for advice

ABOVE ZPD Read Together



- This is a challenging read
- Who would enjoy reading this book with you?
 - A parent?
 - An older sibling?
 - A friend?
- Ask your teacher first

Zone of Proximal Development (ZPD)

The Zone of Proximal Development (ZPD) defines the readability range within which pupils should read to best develop their reading, while avoiding frustration. The ZPD is especially useful for pupils using Renaissance Accelerated Reader, which lists readability levels for all quizzed books. However, success at any difficulty also depends on a student's interest in a book, and knowledge of its content.