EEF Effectiveness Study: Lexia® Core5® Reading

The Education Endowment Foundation's (EEF) large-scale effectiveness study of Lexia Core5 Reading adds further robust evidence to our growing research base, giving educators even greater confidence that the programme delivers strong outcomes and represents good value for money.

Key Results

Overall Impact (All Pupils)

Struggling readers using Lexia Core5 made the equivalent of **2 additional months' progress** in reading compared to pupils of similar ability who did not use the programme. This effect was seen in **as little as 12 weeks' use.**

Impact on Inclusion

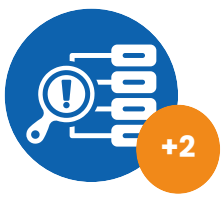
Pupils eligible for Free School Meals also made 2 additional months' progress, and as a result, the EEF suggests Lexia Core5 Reading could be a good investment for Pupil Premium spend.

Exploratory evidence also suggests that pupils with English as an Additional Language (EAL) made up to **3 months' additional progress**.*

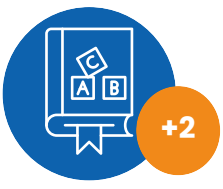
Skill Specific Gains

Struggling readers in Lexia Schools made **2 additional months' progress** in:

Word identification



Applying phonics



Passage comprehension

Achieving positive results in a study of this scale is a significant achievement, with relatively few education programmes demonstrating this level of impact through rigorous, large-scale independent evaluation.

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Study Overview & Conditions

Following the success of an earlier efficacy trial, the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) conducted a large-scale effectiveness study to further evaluate the impact of **Lexia Core5 Reading** for struggling readers in real school settings.

We're an EEF Promising Programme

Design and Scope

2197 pupils

224 schools

12 weeks duration

4x 30min sessions weekly

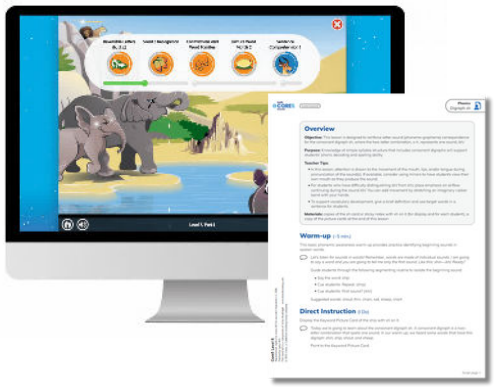
The study involved **2197 Year 2 pupils** across **224 primary schools** across England during the academic years 2023/24 and 2024/25.

The trial had a split-cohort design with data collected over two cohorts of pupils across the two academic years.

Intervention

Pupils used Lexia for a minimum of 12 weeks, with four to five 30-minute sessions per week.

The programme **combines personalised, adaptive online learning** with **teacher-led offline activities**, covering key literacy skills: phonics, word recognition, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.



Evaluation Quality

The trial achieved a **high evidence security rating** (4/5 on the EEF padlock scale), meaning the results can be considered both robust and reliable.

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Implementation Highlights and Teacher Feedback

High-Quality Delivery

Schools were able to deliver Lexia as intended and experienced few barriers to doing so. Implementation of Lexia was facilitated by high-quality training and support from LexiaUK and by schools' allocation of dedicated equipment, staff, space and time to Lexia sessions.

More Pupils Supported

Particularly in schools with resourcing challenges, Lexia's personalised, technology-led approach appears to have enabled more pupils to receive regular instruction at a level appropriate for them.

Positive Staff Feedback

80% of staff agreed that Lexia was effective in supporting struggling readers.

Engaging

Over 80% agreed that pupils engaged well with the programme and confidence improved.

Staff time saved

Multiple schools noted that Lexia was valuable in saving teachers' time on tasks such as marking and assessment.

Free Trial

See the Impact for Yourself

Experience how Lexia Core5 can support accelerated reading progress at your school with a **30-day free trial.**

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* As this was a relatively small EAL sample, further testing will be needed to verify this evidence.