



The Raygor Readability Estimate *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Brontë

Passage A (pg. 3):

John Reed was a schoolboy of fourteen years old; four years older than I, for I was but ten; large and stout for his age, with a dingy and unwholesome skin; thick lineaments in a spacious visage, heavy limbs and large extremities. He gorged himself habitually at table, which made him bilious, and gave him a dim and bleared eye with flabby cheeks. He ought now to have been at school; but his mamma had taken him home for a month or two, “on account of his delicate health.” Mr. Miles, the master, affirmed that he would do very well

Passage B (pg. 215):

In such conversation an hour was soon gone: Bessie restored to me my bonnet, &c., and, accompanied by her, I quitted the lodge for the hall. It was also accompanied by her that I had, nearly nine years ago, walked down the path I was now ascending. On a dark, misty, raw morning in January, I had left a hostile roof with a desperate and embittered heart—a sense outlawry and almost of reprobation—to seek the chilly harborage of Lowood: that bourne so far away and unexplored. The same hostile roof now again rose before me: my prospects were

Passage C (pg. 432):

Mr. Rochester continued blind the first two years of our union: perhaps it was that circumstance that drew us so near—that knit us so very close: for I was then his vision, as I am still his right hand. Literally, I was (what he often called me) the apple of his eye. He saw nature—he saw books through me; and never did I weary of gazing for his behalf, and of putting into words the effect of field, tree, town, river, cloud, sunbeam—of the landscape before us; of the weather round us—and impressing by sound

	Sentences	Words
Passage A	3.2	20
Passage B	3.6	25
Passage C	2.8	18
Total	<hr/> 9.6	<hr/> 63
Average	3.2	21

- ❖ This gives the novel a readability level that is invalid. However, the suggested reading level is 11th or 12th grade.