

Raygor Readability Instructions



This strategy was designed by Alton Raygor in 1977. It is a formula devised to estimate the reading level of a book. This formula does not consider the individual student but considers students in general; therefore the individual student backgrounds have not been considered.

Directions:

Step 1: The first step is to count out three 100-word sections from the beginning, middle, and end of the book.

Step 2: In each section count how many sentences you have. If your 100 count ends in the middle of a sentence than estimate to the tenths of a sentence.

Step 3: Now take each 100-word section and underline the words that have six or more letters. Count how many six lettered, or more, words there are in each passage.

Step 4: To find the reading level of your book; find the number of sentences in your passage on the vertical axis of the graph, then find the number of words with six or more letters on the horizontal axis. Plot points for each axis, where the dots intersect will tell you for what reading level your book is intended.