

# ACER Certificates in Mathematics and Reading

*In 2017, you have the opportunity to register your child for ACER Certificates in Mathematics and Reading.*

## **ACER Certificates in Mathematics and Reading give your child the opportunity to:**

- understand their abilities in mathematics, or reading or both
- set and track progress toward higher levels of knowledge and skill
- identify performance within skill areas to inform personal learning plans, and
- be recognised and receive a printed certificate from ACER, a lapel ACER Certificate badge and a report from Australia's internationally recognised leading provider of educational assessment, ACER.

## **Who is ACER?**

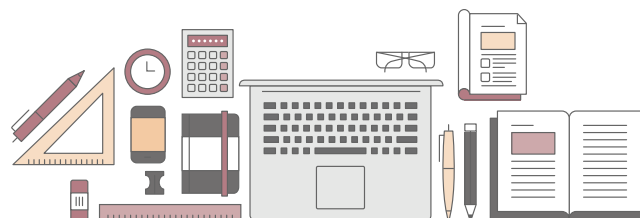
The Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) is internationally recognised as Australia's leading provider of education assessment. Pioneering the acclaimed system for testing and benchmarking student achievement, ACER Certificates recognise and encourage students' progressive achievement in mathematics and reading.

**An ACER Certificate represents excellence and quality in education assessment, ensuring confidence and widespread recognition for ACER Certificate levels achieved.**



## **Why mathematics and reading?**

Student ability in mathematics and reading is fundamental for success not only throughout school, but throughout life. Mathematics and reading form an important foundation for students' success when studying in specialised areas.



**Register your child at  
[www.acer.edu.au/academy](http://www.acer.edu.au/academy)**

## What's involved?

ACER Certificates comprise a one-hour online test that your child can sit at their registered school. Students will receive a digital report on their results and, if successful, be awarded a formal ACER Certificate along with a lapel badge to acknowledge the achievement they have demonstrated.

A fee of \$25 per ACER Certificate test is payable upon your child's online registration. Once registered your child will receive access to supplementary and independent learning activities via an online application to assist with their ACER Certificate test preparation.



For each student who sits an ACER Certificate at their school, the school will receive 10 per cent of the student fee paid.

**Student registration opens  
Wednesday 1 February 2017.**

## Selecting ACER Certificate test levels

Research demonstrates that in any given school year level, student achievement in mathematics and reading can vary as much as six years. ACER Certificates in Mathematics and Reading assess knowledge and skills independent of school year level.

In 2017, ACER Certificates are available for students from Year 3 onwards. The appropriate ACER Certificate level for each student must be nominated by the parent or guardian at the time of registration. As a parent or guardian, we strongly encourage you to discuss the appropriate ACER Certificate level with your child's classroom teacher. Be sure to select a level that will challenge your child and enable them to experience success.

ACER Certificate Level	Recommended ACER Certificate levels based on Australian student achievement
5 (available November 2017)	ACER Certificate level 5 is appropriate for above average Year 11 or 12 students
4 (available November 2017)	ACER Certificate level 4 is appropriate for above average Year 9 or 10 students and for average Year 11 or 12 students
3	ACER Certificate level 3 is appropriate for above average Year 7 or 8 and for average Year 9 or 10 students
2	ACER Certificate level 2 is appropriate for above average Year 5 or 6 students and for average Year 7 or 8 students
1	ACER Certificate level 1 is appropriate for above average Year 3 or 4 students and for average Year 5 or 6 students

Note: ACER Certificate test level recommendations are only a guide and should be considered separately for mathematics and reading.

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