Mom about Luca’s puppy on the way home.

Write about the pet you hope to own someday. "Those of you again. Except Posey. She didn’t have a pet. Not can read it to the class. " Everyone got excited a story about your own dog or pet. "Then you interested in dogs. So this week, you can write we’ll do. " Miss Lee stood up. "You are all very sound went up around the circle. "Here’s what that group of Negroes stepping out of the fancy Pullman cars Rube rented and hitched to bats, and balls. They rode to the games in well equipped, with clean, new uniforms, cars, or sometimes they’d even have to "hobo" in a Northern Landscape."
Dear Georgia parents,

I cannot emphasize enough the importance of reading and literacy to your child's academic development. Literacy is the building block upon which other academic attainment is built; it is a crucial focus for us here at the Department of Education and a major determining factor in your child's success.

We have a number of literacy initiatives underway at the state level, from the Striving Reader Comprehensive Literacy initiative to our cross-agency partnerships with the Get Georgia Reading campaign to donation drives that aim to get books into the hands of as many Georgia students as possible.

We are also pleased to provide Lexile® measures—which measure a student's reading ability—on selected test reports. As a way to monitor the development of your student's reading ability, the Lexile® Framework for Reading has been linked with the Georgia Milestones assessment system. This allows teachers, students and parents to gauge the status and progression of a student's reading ability.

Lexile measures are a resource both for understanding a student's reading ability and finding reading material appropriate to that level. Parents, teachers, and students can use the Lexile measure of text complexity to determine whether a text is too easy, too difficult, or just right for a student. Rather than being just a "score," the Lexile measure is a tool for parents, educators and students.

Parents, I encourage you to engage in your child's academic development and use Lexile measures to find books that match your child's reading level. The Lexile® Map provides a sampling of titles matched to appropriate levels of reading ability, and you can use the "Find a Book" search tool to build custom reading lists based on Lexile range and personal interests, and check availability at the local library.

To learn more about Lexile measures, visit www.gadoe.org/lexile.aspx and www.georgiastandards.org/resources/pages/tools/lexileframeworkforreading.aspx. You will be able to access the popular "Find a Book" tool and other helpful guidance on selecting reading material matched to your student's reading ability. These resources can be used to support and monitor a child's progress toward becoming a better reader.

A love for reading can make all the difference in a child's academic and personal success. I urge you to take advantage of these resources and join us in our efforts to get Georgia's students reading.

Sincerely,

Richard Woods
State School Superintendent