

## Implementing Lexia Reading Software (for School Technology Staff)

Your school or district has chosen to implement Lexia Reading. As the Technology Coordinator (or equivalent) you are now tasked with the technical implementation of the Lexia Reading student software. This document provides an overview of installation options to help you determine the best method for your environment.

### Before You Start

- Student computers must meet the **minimum hardware requirements** to run Lexia Reading:

Operating Systems	Memory	Disk Space
Windows XP (SP3), Vista, Windows 7 (Professional and Ultimate)	256 MB	500 MB
Mac OS X 10.4 or higher		
<b>Additional Requirements:</b> 16MB Video RAM Minimum screen resolution of 800x600 Persistent internet connection (student software uses minimal bandwidth) Headset (recommended) or speakers		

- If your network uses **proxy servers**, you must configure proxy settings within the software and update school whitelists: [www.lexialearning.com/products/mylexia/faqs/proxy.html](http://www.lexialearning.com/products/mylexia/faqs/proxy.html)
- Lexia Reading may be installed on **unlimited** student computers. Licensing is controlled by Lexia's central website and is based on concurrent usage.
- Schools do **not** need to complete any **server installations**. Data from student use of Lexia Reading is stored on a secure server by Lexia.
- To install Lexia Reading, you must have sufficient **privileges** to complete a standard installation. Administrative privileges are not required to run the software as a student.
- All of Lexia Reading's **administrative/teacher functionality** (versus student) is fully web-based and only requires internet access and a browser: [www.mylexia.com](http://www.mylexia.com). Teacher accounts must be created in order for teachers to login to MyLexia.

### Overview of Installation Options

*Lexia Reading* requires local software to be installed on each student computer. The following installation options are available:

**Simple Copy** – *Lexia Reading* software can be installed and configured on a single computer and then copied across the network to additional computers. The software does not require registry entries, so only a simple copy of the Lexia directory structure and the desktop shortcut is required. For detailed instructions on installing and configuring the student software, see: [www.lexialearning.com/files/support/LexiaReadingInstallationInstructions.pdf](http://www.lexialearning.com/files/support/LexiaReadingInstallationInstructions.pdf)

**MSI Installer** – Lexia provides a separate MSI installation package that can be modified to contain all customer-specific information, and then deployed using Active Directory or any other deployment tool that supports MSI. For detailed instructions on deploying MSI packages, see: [www.lexialearning.com/mylexia/faqs/msi.html](http://www.lexialearning.com/mylexia/faqs/msi.html)

**Remote/Unattended Install** – School technicians can configure student computers to call a batch file at startup. Lexia offers a command line installer with configuration options that contain all necessary parameters. For detailed instructions and sample files, see: [www.lexialearning.com/files/support/LexiaReadingCmdInstall.pdf](http://www.lexialearning.com/files/support/LexiaReadingCmdInstall.pdf)

**Manual Copy** – *Lexia Reading* software can be installed and configured onto a thumb drive, and then manually copied to individual student computers. The software does not require registry entries, so only a simple copy of the Lexia directory structure and the desktop shortcut is required. For detailed instructions, see: [www.lexialearning.com/products/mylexia/faqs/thumbdrive.html](http://www.lexialearning.com/products/mylexia/faqs/thumbdrive.html)

**Apple Remote Desktop** – Schools using Apple Remote Desktop can create a custom package to distribute *Lexia Reading* across the network. For detailed instructions, see: [www.lexialearning.com/products/mylexia/faqs/applereMOTE.html](http://www.lexialearning.com/products/mylexia/faqs/applereMOTE.html)

**Base Image Install** – Adding the *Lexia Reading* software to your system disk image and then re-imaging your computers is always an option. For detailed instructions on installing and configuring the student software, see: [www.lexialearning.com/files/support/LexiaReadingInstallationInstructions.pdf](http://www.lexialearning.com/files/support/LexiaReadingInstallationInstructions.pdf)

## Additional Technical Considerations

**Windows 7 / Vista** – Schools using Windows 7 or Vista should read the following document: [www.lexialearning.com/products/mylexia/faqs/v5OSNotes.html](http://www.lexialearning.com/products/mylexia/faqs/v5OSNotes.html)

**Thin Clients** – *Lexia Reading* supports NComputing.

## Questions? Contact Lexia Customer Support

Lexia Customer Support is available to assist you with any questions. We will be happy to review your environment and suggest an installation method that will work for you.

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