BestMARC™ How-To: Using Advanced Filters

Overview: BestMARC™ is an online, MARC record and metadata database, used by libraries to find, edit and create MARC records for their collection database. The **Advanced Filters** button adds Lexile® and reading program criteria to your MARC record search.

Using Advanced Filters.

1.

Click on the **Advanced Filters** button.

Use the **Advanced Filters** button to find the Lexile® or reading program level for a specific book or for books by a specific author within a level range.

2. To use BestMARC's search, you must have at least one of the following criteria: **Author - Title - ISBN**

3.

Click and drag the ends of the slider to adjust the Lexile Level range you want to find.

Choose the program you want from the menu. For Lexiles® choose a range by moving the buttons at either end of the slider bar.

The help buttons explain how to set each program.

4.

You can select any or all of the reading programs in a single search. Different programs have different range indicators.

5.

Once chosen, the advanced filter criteria display next to the **Advanced Filters** button.
To reset the filters, click on **Advanced Filters** and change your criteria.

6.

Displaying Book records with Author "Mercer Mayer", Accelerated Reader [1.5 - 6.0 LG]

Info	Match ?	Quality ?	Detail ?		Reading Programs ?	
SURPRISE! Book - Fiction BestMARC	8	87	Surprise / Mayer, Mercer, McGraw-Hill Children's Pub.,	1577688147 First readers, skills and practice 2001. 24 p. :	AR: BL 3.8 Pts 0.5 MM: 100	Edit and Save
SURPRISE!			Surprise! /	1577686381	AR: BL 3.8 Pts 0.5	

Selected Lexile® and reading program levels are shown in a column on the search results, as well as in the search results header.

The green "MM" refers to Mitinet Measures™, a Mitinet™ exclusive reading level correlation for books without registered Lexile® levels. No correlation is perfect, but Mitinet Measures™ levels come within 50 points (+ or -) of the potential registered Lexile® level, 92% of the time, and dramatically increase the number of items in your collection including in reading program specific searches.

To find out more about other BestMARC™ features:

1. Use the built-in Help buttons identified by a **?**
2. Check out our other How-To slideshows on the BestMARC™ Support page.
3. Or contact our Technical Support Department at 800-824-6272 Option #3.

Thank you!