

Education Assessment

✓ Educational value has been assessed

Raz-Kids is a website that gives students access to a virtual bookroom of more than 400+ ebooks. Students can choose between listening to their books, reading them aloud (and recording their reading), or simply reading silently. Teachers and parents can access a simple dashboard to see and even hear all of the work students are doing. There are also comprehension quizzes for each of the texts that include a set of multiple-choice questions, as well as a constructed response question focused on the main theme or idea in the book, allowing parents and teachers to monitor student progress. Students earn stars for practice and achievement that can be redeemed to customize their own Raz Rocket or to create a personal robot avatar (Common Sense Media).

Other products in the Learning A-Z family:

Foundations A-Z (replacing **Headsprout** - still available but will be retired in 2024) is built on the Science of Reading and delivers an explicit, research-based, K-5 foundational skills solution that integrates systematic, explicit instruction and clearly modeled lessons.

Raz-Plus is a blended learning platform that combines teacher-led whole-class and small-group instruction with technology-enabled resources for personalized reading practice. All resources are accessible online and available in printable, projectable, and digital formats to strengthen the connection between what is being taught and what students independently practice.

Raz-Plus ELL provides a number of research-based resources and teaching strategies specifically designed for helping English language learners achieve success with social and academic English. Raz-Plus ELL resources are organized in content area topics at varying grade ranges, and include integrated grammar and vocabulary support.

Raz-Plus Connected Classroom enhances Raz-Plus with a library of tools and resources to create personalized learning pathways for all students.

Reading A-Z offers an extensive collection of leveled reading resources.

Vocabulary A-Z is a digital solution for helping K-5 students build vocabulary, spelling, and phonics skills and increase reading comprehension. With Vocabulary A-Z, teachers can differentiate instruction and practice with premade and customizable word lists, digital and printable lessons, and online game-based activities and quizzes.

Writing A-Z combines explicit, systematic writing instruction and guided practice, with the singular purpose of making students better writers.

Science A-Z is a resource that blends science and literacy into one K-6 curriculum. The product delivers thousands of resources in Life Science, Earth and Space Science, Physical Science, Engineering, and Process Science. Science A-Z also delivers engaging science experiments and hands-on activities that allow students to think and act like scientists.

Raz Kids and the other Learning A-Z products can be used as one of many resources in a classroom to teach reading. All products are subscription based.

Preliminary Privacy Impact Assessment

Digital resource	All products are included in the Learning A-Z family Privacy Policy Children Privacy Policy
Does a PIA exist? (Vendor, ERAC)	Common Sense Media ERAC / FocusED
Is there a 'data link' (e.g.. Pulling PI data from one source to another)?	No
Describe how PI is (requires examining TOU and Privacy Policy)	
Collected What PI data is collected? List all the PI that could be collected from students, teachers, parents through using the service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● First Name (Student) - use alias ● Last Name (Student) - use alias ● Grade (Student) ● First Name (Teacher) ● Last Name (Teacher) ● Browser Info (Eg: IP, cookies) <p>Although first and last names are required they do not need to be the actual names of the teachers or students</p>
Used What is the PI used for? Will PI be used to make decisions that directly affect individuals? Does the company use the PI to advertise its services or those of other companies to students, teachers or parents?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Improve customer service by having access to relevant data for teacher initiated support calls ● User aggregated group - how they use the services and resources ● Provide website improvements in customer experience and product improvement ● No advertisements targeted at children
Disclosed Who will/can have access (vendor, partners, legal)?	Not shared with any third parties except for those limited purposes provided that we have given them permission
Secured Measures in place to secure – encryption, passwords, software and platform updates, independent testing for security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Encryption ● physical access controls ● information access controls ● anti-virus and anti-malware software
Stored Where is the data being stored? - What hosting providers are being used?	Servers are stored outside of Canada

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What hosting region(s) are data being stored in? 	
<p>Kept Accurate</p>	<p>Teachers can make changes to your account at any time.</p>
<p>Retained Expiry, deletion, backup/restore</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How are requests made by students, teachers, parents, district staff for data to be: Deleted, Downloaded - What are the retention policies (not, e.g., 1 yr retention if PI used to make decisions that affect individuals) 	<p>Time not specified</p>
<p>RECOMMENDATIONS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Approve the application/extension with some considerations</p>	<p>COMMENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use student alias ● Fictitious email address for each student must be used (Can be the same for each student) - do NOT share parent email address ● Can be used with voice but students should not reveal any additional PI
<p>Date submitted to IT/Privacy: 2021-06-09</p> <p>Revised version submitted 2023-02-13</p>	<p>Decision / Date: June 28, 2021</p>