



Matching Readers with Text

1300L **1776: America and Britain at War*** MCCULLOUGH

But from this point on, the citizen-soldiers of Washington's army were no longer to be fighting only for the defense of their country, or for their rightful liberties as freeborn Englishmen, as they had at Lexington and Concord, Bunker Hill and through the long siege at Boston. It was now a proudly proclaimed, all-out war for an independent America, a new America, and thus a new day of freedom and equality. At his home in Newport, Nathanael Greene's mentor, the Reverend Ezra Stiles, wrote in his diary almost in disbelief: Thus the Congress has tied a Gordian knot, which the Parl [iament] will find they can neither cut, nor untie. The thirteen united colonies now rise into an Independent Republic among the kingdoms, states, and empires on earth... And have I lived to see such an important and astonishing revolution?

900L **We are the Ship:**

The Story of Negro League Baseball NELSON

Rube ran his ball club like it was a major league team. Most Negro teams back then weren't very well organized. Didn't always have enough equipment or even matching uniforms. Most times they went from game to game scattered among different cars, or sometimes they'd even have to "hobo" — which means hitch a ride on the back of someone's truck to get to the next town for a game. But not Rube's team. They were always well equipped, with clean, new uniforms, bats, and balls. They rode to the games in fancy Pullman cars Rube rented and hitched to the back of the train. It was something to see that group of Negroes stepping out of the train, dressed in suits and hats. They were big-leaguers.

300L **Princess Posey and the Next-Door Dog** GREENE

"We have to stop now," said Miss Lee. "It's time for reading." "Ohhh..." A disappointed sound went up around the circle. "Here's what we'll do." Miss Lee stood up. "You are all very interested in dogs. So this week, you can write a story about your own dog or pet. Then you can read it to the class." Everyone got excited again. Except Posey. She didn't have a pet. Not a dog. Not a cat. Not a hamster. "Those of you who don't have a pet," Miss Lee said, "can write about the pet you hope to own someday." Miss Lee had saved the day! Now Posey had something to write about, too. Posey told her mom about Luca's puppy on the way home.

TEXT LEXILE RANGES TO GUIDE READING FOR COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS

GRADES	CCSS LEXILE TEXT RANGE
11-12	1185L-1385L
9-10	1050L-1335L
6-8	925L-1185L
4-5	740L-1010L
2-3	420L-820L
1	190L-530L

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*GN DENOTES GRAPHIC NOVEL, IG DENOTES ILLUSTRATED GUIDE
**COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS TEXT EXEMPLAR

1500L+	SAMPLE TITLES	INFORMATIONAL TITLES
	LITERATURE TITLES	
	1640L The Plot Against America (ROTH)	1600L Sustaining Life: How Human Health Depends on Biodiversity (CHIVIAN & BERNSTEIN)
	1560L Rob Roy (SCOTT)	1550L The Art of War (SUN TZU)
	1530L The Good Earth (BUCK)	1520L Fair Play: The Ethics of Sport (SIMON)
1400L	1520L A Fable (FAULKNER)	1500L Critique of Pure Reason (KANT)
	1500L The Decameron (BOCCACCIO)	
	1460L The Legend of Sleepy Hollow (IRVING)	1480L America's Constitution: A Biography** (AMAR)
	1450L Billy Budd** (MELVILLE)	1430L The Declaration of Independence
	1430L The Story of King Arthur and His Knights (PYLE)	1420L Gettysburg Address (LINCOLN)
1300L	1420L Life All Around Me by Ellen Foster (GIBBONS)	1410L Profiles in Courage (KENNEDY)
	1420L The Scarlet Letter** (HAWTHORNE)	1400L The Life and Times of Frederick Douglass (DOUGLASS)
	1360L Robinson Crusoe (DEFOE)	
	1350L The Secret Sharer (CONRAD)	1390L In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto (POLLAN)
	1340L The Hunchback of Notre Dame (HUGO)	1370L Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice (BLOOM)
1200L	1340L The Metamorphosis** (KAFKA)	1340L Walden** (THOREAU)
	1340L Fever Pitch (HORNBY)	1300L Arctic Dreams: Imagination and Desire in a Northern Landscape (LOPEZ)
	1280L The House of the Spirits (ALLENDE)	
	1270L Tarzan of the Apes (BURROUGHS)	1290L A Brief History of Time (HAWKING)
	1270L Chronicle of a Death Foretold (GARCÍA MÁRQUEZ)	1280L Black, Blue, and Gray: African Americans in the Civil War** (HASKINS)
1100L	1220L Annie John (KINCAID)	1240L Blood Done Sign My Name (TYSON)
	1210L The Namesake** (LAHIRI)	1200L The Dark Game: True Spy Stories (JANE CZKO)
	1180L The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time (HADDON)	
	1170L The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay (CHABON)	1160L The Longitude Prize** (DASH)
	1150L A Wizard of Earthsea (LE GUIN)	1160L In Search of Our Mothers' Gardens (WALKER)
1000L	1110L A Separate Peace (KNOWLES)	1130L The Great Fire** (MURPHY)
		1100L Vincent Van Gogh: Portrait of an Artist** (GREENBERG & JORDAN)
	1080L I Heard the Owl Call My Name (CRAVEN)	
	1070L Savvy (LAW)	1070L Geeks: How Two Lost Boys Rode the Internet Out of Idaho** (KATZ)
	1070L Around the World in 80 Days (VERNE)	1030L Phineas Gage (FLEISCHMAN)
900L	1010L The Pearl (STEINBECK)	1010L Travels With Charley: In Search of America** (STEINBECK)
	1000L Hobbit or There and Back Again (TOLKIEN)	1000L Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice (HOOSE)
	980L Dovey Coe (DOWELL)	
	950L Bud, Not Buddy (CURTIS)	990L Seabiscuit (HILLENBRAND)
	940L Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (ROWLING)	970L The Kid's Guide to Money: Earning It, Saving It, Spending It, Growing It, Sharing It** (OTFINOSKI)
800L	940L Heat (LUPICA)	950L Jim Thorpe, Original All-American (BRUCHAC)
	900L City of Fire (YEP)	920L Talking with Artists (CUMMINGS)
	GN840L* The Odyssey (HINDS)	
	830L Baseball in April and Other Stories (SOTO)	880L The Circuit (JIMENEZ)
	820L Maniac Magee (SPINELLI)	870L The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens (COVEY)
700L	820L Where the Mountain Meets the Moon** (LIN)	IG860L* Animals Nobody Loves (SEYMOUR)
	800L Homeless Bird (WHELAN)	830L Quest for the Tree Kangaroo: An Expedition to the Cloud Forest of New Guinea** (MONTGOMERY)
	770L Walk Two Moons (CREECH)	
	760L Hoot (HIAASEN)	790L Be Water, My Friend: The Early Years of Bruce Lee (MOCHIZUKI)
	750L Esperanza Rising (RYAN)	760L Stay: The True Story of Ten Dogs (MUNTEAN)
600L	720L Nancy's Mysterious Letter (KEENE)	IG760L* Mapping Shipwrecks with Coordinate Planes (WALL)
	GN720L* Sherlock Holmes (DOYLE)	720L Pretty in Print: Questioning Magazines (BOTZAKIS)
	680L Charlotte's Web (WHITE)	
	660L Holes (SACHAR)	690L Where Do Polar Bears Live?* (THOMSON)
	620L M.C. Higgins, the Great** (HAMILTON)	680L An Eye for Color: The Story of Josef Albers (WING)
500L	610L Mountain Bike Mania (CHRISTOPHER)	660L Remember: The Journey to School Integration (MORRISON)
	610L A Year Down Yonder (PECK)	660L From Seed to Plant** (GIBBONS)
	560L Sarah, Plain and Tall (MACLACHLAN)	630L Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes (COERR)
	530L It's All Greek to Me (SCIESZKA)	
	520L John Henry: An American Legend (KEATS)	IG590L* Claude Monet (CONNOLLY)
400L	500L Judy Moody Saves the World (MCDONALD)	560L Lemons and Lemonade: A Book about Supply and Demand (LOEWEN)
	500L The Curse of the Cheese Pyramid (STILTON)	530L Langston Hughes: Great American Poet (MCKISSACK)
	460L Chrysanthemum (HENKES)	510L A Picture for Marc (KIMMEL)
	410L The Enormous Crocodile (DAHL)	
	GN400L* Pilot And Huxley (MCGUINNESS)	480L Martin Luther King, Jr. and the March on Washington** (RUFFIN)
300L	400L The Fire Cat** (AVERILL)	460L Half You Heard of Fractions? (ADAMSON)
	400L Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa** (SILVERMAN)	420L Rally for Recycling (BULLARD)
	380L Martha Bakes a Cake (BARSS)	400L Animals in Winter (RUSTAD)
	380L Junie B. Jones is (Almost) a Flower Girl (PARK)	
	360L Poppleton in Winter** (RYLANT)	GN380L* BMX Blitz (CIENCIN)
200L	340L Never Swipe a Bully's Bear (APPLEGATE)	380L Lemonade for Sale (MURPHY)
	330L Frog and Toad Together** (LOBEL)	350L A Snowy Day (SCHAEFER)
	280L Hi! Fly Guy** (ARNOLD)	330L Freedom River (RAPAPORT)
	260L The Cat in the Hat (SEUSS)	300L From Tree to Paper (MARSHALL)
	GN240L* Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute (KROSOCZKA)	290L The Story of Pocahontas (JENNER)
	200L The Best Bug Parade (MURPHY)	250L Math in the Kitchen (AMATO)
		230L What Makes Day and Night (BRANLEY)
		220L I Love Trains! (STURGES)
		210L Sharks! (CLARKE)

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