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CCSS Level 2


**Unit 1 Maria's Visit**


Title — Author My Notes


Living in...Mexico – Chloe Perkins NC620L 

P is for Piñata: A Mexico Alphabet – Tony Johnston AD840L 

What Can You Do with a Paleta? – Carmen Tafolla AD960L 

Dear Primo: A Letter to My Cousin – Duncan Tonatiuh AD600L 

Henry and Mudge and the Careful Cousin – Cynthia Rylant 480L 


A Visitor for Bear – Bonny Becker AD530L 

Next Stop: Mexico – Ginger McDonnell

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Unit 2 Get Up and Move

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Oh, the Things You Can Do That Are Good for You!</i> – Tish Rabe 590L	
<i>The Monster Health Book: A Guide to Eating Healthy, Being Active & Feeling Great for Monsters & Kids!</i> – Edward Miller NC880L	
<i>Keep Running, Gingerbread Man</i> – Steve Smallman AD490L	
<i>The Busy Body Book: A Kid's Guide to Fitness</i> – Lizzy Rockwell 680L	
<i>303 Kid-Approved Exercises + Active Games</i> – Kimberly Wechsler	
<i>Move Your Body!: My Exercise Tips</i> – Gina Bellisario 470L	
<i>Good for Me: Play and Exercise</i> – Sharon Coan	
<i>Great Big Book of Children's Games: Over 450 Indoor and Outdoor Games for Kids</i> – Debra Wise	
<i>Yoga Games for Children: Fun and Fitness with Postures, Movements and Breath</i> – Danielle Bersma and Marjoke Visscher	

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Unit 3 A Knot Before Sailing

Title — Author

My Notes

My First Book of Knots: A Beginner's Picture Guide— Berndt Sundsten and Jan Jäger

Why Not Knot for Fun?: A Kid Friendly Guide to Knots and Adventure— Frank T. Hoffman and Kristin Svensson

The Visual Dictionary of Ships and Sailing— DK Publishing

Pirates, Ships, and Sailors: Twenty-Four Stories and Poems— Kathryn Jackson and Byron Jackson

The Kids' Outdoor Adventure Book: 448 Great Things to Do in Nature Before You Grow Up
— Stacy Tornio and Ken Keffer

Outdoor Activities for Kids: Over 100 Fun, Practical Things to Do Outside
— Clare Bradley and Cecilia Fitzsimons

The Nature Connection: An Outdoor Workbook for Kids, Families, and Classrooms— Clare Walker Leslie

Survivor Kid: A Practical Guide to Wilderness Survival— Denise Long

Ranger Rick Kids' Guide to Camping: All You Need to Know About Having Fun in the Outdoors
— Cherie Winner 880L



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Unit 4 Malik and the Race

Title — Author

My Notes

Building the Fastest Pinewood Derby Car: Speed Secrets for Crossing the Finish Line First!— Troy Thorne

Usain Bolt— Jeff Savage

Peg + Cat: The Race Car Problem— Jennifer Oxley and Billy Aronson AD560L



Eat My Dust! Henry Ford's First Race— Monica Kulling 490L



Ada Twist, Scientist— Andrea Beaty AD550L



Motion— Debra J. Housel 570L



Motion: Push and Pull, Fast and Slow— Darlene Stille IG570L



Newton and Me— Lynne Mayer AD540L



Florence Griffith Joyner— Emma E. Haldy 390L



Danica Patrick— Jon M. Fishman 810L



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Unit 5 The Right Ball for the Game


Title — Author

My Notes

Sports Science: 40 Goal-Scoring, High-Flying, Medal-Winning Experiments for Kids!— Jim Wiese

Sports Science— Shar Levine and Leslie Johnstone IG1010L 


How Basketball Works— Keltie Thomas 990L 


How Football Works— Keltie Thomas 1060L 


How Soccer Works— Keltie Thomas 1000L 

How Baseball Works— Keltie Thomas 1060L 

Play Soccer Like a Pro: Key Skills and Tips— Christopher Forest IG730L 

Play Baseball Like a Pro: Key Skills and Tips— Hans Hetrick IG760L 

Play Basketball Like a Pro: Key Skills and Tips— Nate LeBoutillier IG770L 

Play Football Like a Pro: Key Skills and Tips— Paul Deegan IG810L 





You Can't Spike Your Serves— Julie Gassman 620L 

I Don't Want to Live on the Tennis Court— Val Priebe 490L 

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Unit 6 A Basketful of Birds

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Birds, Nests and Eggs</i> — Mel Boring 830L	
<i>Bird (DK Eyewitness Books)</i> — David Burnie	
<i>Mama Built a Little Nest</i> — Jennifer Ward AD860L	
<i>A Nest Full of Eggs</i> — Priscilla Belz Jenkins AD630L	
<i>Birds Make Nests</i> — Michael Garland AD310	
<i>Waiting for High Tide</i> — Nikki McClure	
<i>Smile with My Animal Friends: Illustrated Children's Poems</i> — Alexandra Vasiliu	
<i>National Geographic Book of Animal Poetry: 200 Poems with Photographs that Squeak, Soar, and Roar!</i> —J. Patrick Lewis	
<i>A Kick in the Head: An Everyday Guide to Poetic Forms</i> — Paul B. Janeczko	
<i>A Writing Kind of Day: Poems for Young Poets</i> — Ralph Fletcher	

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Unit 7 Seeds: From Here to There and Seeds for Artwork

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Flip, Float, Fly: Seeds on the Move</i> — JoAnn Early Macken 520L 	
<i>From Bird Poop to Wind: How Seeds Get Around</i> — Ellen Lawrence IG560L 	
<i>From Seed to Plant</i> — Gail Gibbons 560L 	
<i>Oh Say Can You Seed?: All About Flowering Plants</i> — Bonnie Worth 650L 	
<i>Tell Me, Tree: All About Trees for Kids</i> — Gail Gibbons 580L 	
<i>The Science Behind: Plants</i> — Rachel Lynette IG560L 	
<i>Plant (DK Eyewitness Books)</i> — David Burnie IG1090L 	
<i>How Do Plants Make and Spread Their Seeds?</i> — Ruth Owen	
<i>Who Will Plant a Tree?</i> — Jerry Pallotta	
<i>What Kinds of Seeds Are These?</i> — Heidi Bee Roemer	

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Unit 8 The Wild Ride

Title — Author

My Notes

Walk Ride Rodeo: A Story about Amberley Snyder— Amberley Snyder

Rodeo Time: Reading a Schedule— Stuart J. Murphy

Rodeo— Robin Johnson 810L



Kylie Jean Rodeo Queen— Marci Peschke 550L



Bill Pickett: Rodeo-Ridin' Cowboy— Andrea D. Pinkney 1000L



Franklin and the Contest— Sharon Jennings 450L



The Sand Castle Contest— Robert Munsch AD460L



The Critter Club: Liz and the Sand-Castle Contest— Callie Barkley 590L



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Unit 9 Delicious Donuts

Title — Author

My Notes

The Donut Chef— Bob Staake

Kids Around the World Cook!: The Best Foods and Recipes from Many Lands— Arlette N. Braman

Donuts: The Hole Story— David Miles

The Hole Story of the Doughnut— Pat Miller AD900L



A Fine Dessert: Four Centuries, Four Families, One Delicious Treat— Emily Jenkins AD770L



What's on My Plate? Choosing from the Five Food Groups— Jennifer Boothroyd 510L



My Food, Your Food— Lisa Bullard AD520L



Everybody Cooks Rice— Norah Dooley AD690L



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Unit 10 The Wonder Boy of Japan

Title — Author

My Notes

Kintaro's Adventures: And Other Japanese Children's Favorite Stories— Florence Sakade

Follow Me Around: Japan— Wiley Blevins

Heroes and She-Roes: Poems of Amazing and Everyday Heroes— J. Patrick Lewis

Japanese Children's Favorite Stories— Florence Sakade 850L



All About Japan: Stories, Songs, Crafts and Games for Kids— Willamarie Moore 860L50



50 American Heroes Every Kid Should Meet— Dennis Denenberg and Lorraine Roscoe 920L



National Geographic Kids: Little Kids First Big Book of Who— Jill Esbaum NC820L











Book of Black Heroes from A to Z— Wade Hudson and Valerie Wilson Wesley 790L



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Unit 11 Traveling Together and Bike Sharing in Big Cities

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Let's Ride the City Bus!</i> — Elisa Peters 460L	
<i>Let's Ride the Streetcar!</i> — Elisa Peters 450L	
<i>Let's Ride the Subway!</i> — Elisa Peters 420L	
<i>The Way Downtown: Adventures in Public Transit</i> — Inna Gertsberg AD700L	
<i>Transportation!: How People Get Around</i> — Gail Gibbons 710L	
<i>Ice Road Truckers in Action</i> — Amy C. Rea 800L	
<i>People You Gotta Meet Before You Grow Up: Get to Know the Movers and Shakers, Heroes and Hotshots in Your Hometown</i> — Joe Rhatigan 1020L	
<i>Bus Drivers</i> — Jacqueline Laks Gorman 380L	
<i>Steam, Smoke, and Steel: Back in Time with Trains</i> — Patrick O'Brien	

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Unit 12 The Nine-Banded Armadillo

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Armadillo Rodeo</i> — Jan Brett 670L 	
<i>Amazing Armadillos</i> — Jennifer Guess Mckerley 700L 	
<i>The Astonishing Armadillo</i> — Dee Stuart NC1170L 	
<i>The Armadillo from Amarillo</i> — Lynne Cherry 790L 	
<i>Let's Look at Armadillos</i> — Judith Jango-Cohen 490L 	
<i>Kitty's Guide to Caring for Your Cat</i> — Anita Ganeri 590L 	
<i>Ruff's Guide to Caring for Your Dog</i> — Anita Ganeri 610L 	
<i>Animal Planet: Bearded Dragon</i> — Thomas Mazorlig	
<i>A Kid's Guide to Keeping Chickens</i> — Melissa Caughey	

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Unit 13 How Two Indian Boys Settled a Quarrel and The Quarrel Sticks

Title — Author

My Notes

Native American Games and Stories— James Bruchac and Joseph Bruchac

More Than Moccasins: A Kid's Activity Guide to Traditional North American Indian Life— Laurie Carlson

The Very First Americans— Cara Ashrose AD760L



If You Lived with the Iroquois— Ellen Levine 810L



The Iroquois— Emily J. Dolbear and Peter Benoit 850L












The Great Ball Game: A Muskogee Story— Joseph Bruchac 520L



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Unit 14 Oceans of Plastic

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>National Geographic Kids: First Big Book of the Ocean</i> — Catherine D. Hughes NC740L	
<i>Oceans</i> — Seymour Simon 1050L	
<i>Hello Ocean</i> — Pam Muñoz Ryan AD700L	
<i>Curious George Discovers the Ocean</i> — H.A. Rey AD720L	
<i>Plastic, Ahoy!: Investigating the Great Pacific Garbage Patch</i> — Patricia Newman 900L	
<i>Why Should I Recycle?</i> — Jen Green AD550L	
<i>What Milly Did: The Remarkable Pioneer of Plastics Recycling</i> — Elise Moser 1090L	
<i>Michael Recycle</i> — Ellie Bethel AD640L	
<i>Look Out for Litter</i> — Lisa Bullard 530L	

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Unit 15 The Plant Dance and The Garden Drought

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Down Comes the Rain</i> — Franklyn M. Branley 560L 	
<i>Come On, Rain!</i> — Karen Hesse AD780L 	
<i>The Rain Stomper</i> — Addie Boswell AD270L 	
<i>The Rain Came Down</i> — David Shannon 370L 	
<i>Mushroom in the Rain</i> — Mirra Ginsburg 380L 	
<i>Wanda's Roses</i> — Pat Brisson AD640L 	
<i>The Children's Garden: Growing Food in the City</i> — Carole Lexa Schaefer 910L 	
<i>National Geographic Book of Nature Poetry: More Than 200 Poems with Photographs That Float, Zoom, and Bloom!</i> — J. Patrick Lewis	
<i>A Stick Is an Excellent Thing: Poems Celebrating Outdoor Play</i> — Marilyn Singer	
<i>A Child's Garden of Verses</i> — Robert Louis Stevenson	

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Unit 16 Papel Picado: A Delicate Art

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Art for Kids: Drawing</i> – Kathryn Temple	
<i>How to Draw 101 Animals</i> – Dan Green	
<i>Make Papel Picado (Time for Kids)</i> – Conni Medina 410L 	
<i>Día de Los Muertos</i> – Roseanne Greenfield Thong AD840 	
<i>I Am an Artist</i> – Pat Lowery Collins 650L 	
<i>Maybe Something Beautiful</i> – F. Isabel Campoy AD580L 	
<i>Family Pictures/Cuadros de Familia</i> – Carmen Lomas Garza AD660L 	
<i>In My Family/En Mi Familia</i> – Carmen Lomas Garza 810L 	
<i>The Story of Paintings: A History of Art for Children</i> – Mick Manning 1090L 	

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**Unit 17 Fox and Stork**

Title — Author

My Notes

The Classic Treasury of Aesop's Fables— Don Daily

Aesop's Fables: 240 Short Stories for Children— Aesop

Very Short Fables to Read Together— Mary Ann Hoberman

Fable Comics— Chris Duffy

Draw Out the Story: Ten Secrets to Creating Your Own Comics— Brian McLachlan

The Berenstain Bears and the Golden Rule— Mike Berenstain AD540L

Fables— Arnold Lobel 540L

Aesop's Fables— Ann McGovern 780L

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**Unit 18 George Washington Carver: Plant Doctor**

Title — Author

My Notes

National Geographic Kids: George Washington Carver— Kitson Jazyuka

George Washington Carver: The Peanut Wizard— Laura Driscoll

Sybil Ludington's Midnight Ride— Marsha Amstel

Who Was George Washington Carver?— Jim Gigliotti 910LA

Weed Is a Flower: The Life of George Washington Carver— Alikei AD640L

Florence Nightingale— Shannon Zemlicka 560L

Nelson Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom— Chris Van Wyk AD840L

I Am Harriet Tubman— Brad Meltzer 560L

What Color Is My World?: The Lost History of African American Inventors
— Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Raymond Obstfeld 880L

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Unit 19 Lucky Mistakes

Title — Author

My Notes

Kites for Everyone: How to Make and Fly Them— Margaret Greger

Curious George Flies a Kite— Margret Rey 510L



Beautiful Oops!— Barney Saltzberg 40L



Mistakes That Worked: 40 Familiar Inventions & How They Came to Be
— Charlotte FoltzJones 1040L



The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes— Mark Pett and Gary Rubinstein 520L



Regina's Big Mistake— Marissa Moss AD420L



Making Mistakes on Purpose— Elise Primavera 760L



The Book of Mistakes— Corinna Luyken AD520L



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Unit 20 Building the Neighbor's Barn

Title — Author

My Notes

Barn Raising— Craig Brown

Barn Dance!— Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault

Can We Help?: Kids Volunteering to Help Their Communities— George Ancona

Raising Yoder's Barn— Jane Yolen AD860L



Farm Life Long Ago— Tim Johnson 480L



The One Day House— Julia Durango AD470L



The Kid's Guide to Service Projects— Barbara A. Lewis 850L



Helping Others (Kids Making a Difference)— Elizabeth Raum 900L



Real Kids, Real Stories, Real Change: Courageous Actions Around the World— Garth Sundem 980L



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Skill-Based Literature Level 2

Vocabulary




Title — Author	My Notes
<i>One Smart Cookie</i> — Amy Krouse Rosenthal	
<i>The Great Dictionary Caper</i> — Judy Sierra	
<i>The Pond</i> — Nicola Davies	
<i>Big Words for Little Geniuses</i> — Susan and James Patterson	
<i>The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus</i> — Jen Bryant 590L	
<i>You Nest Here With Me</i> — Jane Yolen and Heidi E.Y. Stemple AD520L	
<i>Electrical Wizard: How Nikola Tesla Lit Up the World</i> — Elizabeth Rusch 840L	
<i>Ebenezer Has a Word for Everything</i> — Chelsea H. Rowe AD510L	
<i>The Hueys in What's the Opposite?</i> — Oliver Jeffers AD270L	
<i>Snappy the Alligator (Did Not Ask to Be in This Book!)</i> — Julie Falatko AD560L	
<i>The King Who Rained</i> — Fred Gwynne AD440L	

Predictions












Title — Author	My Notes
<i>The Turnip</i> — Jan Brett AD610L	
<i>The Day the Crayons Quit</i> — Drew Daywalt AD 730L	
<i>Chester's Way</i> — Kevin Henkes 570L	
<i>What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?</i> — Steve Jenkins & Robin Page 510L	
<i>Elmer and Rose</i> — David McKee AD 540L	
<i>Enemy Pie</i> — Derek Munson AD 550L	
<i>Doctor De Soto</i> — William Steig AD 560L	
<i>Sylvester and the Magic Pebble</i> — William Steig AD 780L	
<i>Ruby the Copycat</i> — Peggy Rathmann 500L	
<i>Mailing May</i> — Michael O. Tunnell AD770L	
<i>Widget</i> — Lyn Rossiter McFarland 350L	
<i>The Stray Dog</i> — Marc Simont	









Connections

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Louisa May's Battle: How the Civil War Led to Little Women</i> – Kathleen Krull 1040L 	
<i>Take a Picture of Me, James VanDerZee!</i> – Andrea J. Loney 970L 	
<i>Dorothea Lange: The Photographer Who Found the Faces of the Depression</i> – Carole Boston Weatherford NC 1030L 	
<i>Pocket Full of Colors: The Magical World of Mary Blair, Disney Artist Extraordinaire</i> – Amy Guglielmo and Jacqueline Tourville 	
<i>Between the Lines: How Ernie Barnes Went from the Football Field to the Art Gallery</i> – Sandra Neil Wallace 660L 	


Inference and Synthesis

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Walk with Me</i> – Jairo Buitrago AD 490L 	
<i>Mr. Wuffles!</i> – David Wiesner NP 	
<i>How Do Dinosaurs Stay Safe?</i> – Jane Yolen AD 480L 	
<i>Wolf in the Snow</i> – Matthew Cordell	
<i>Imaginary Fred</i> – Eoin Colfer NC760L 	
<i>The Favorite Daughter</i> – Allen Say 510L 	
<i>My Lucky Day</i> – Keiko Kasza AD 490L 	
<i>We Found a Hat</i> – Jon Klassen 280L 	
<i>A Well-Mannered Young Wolf</i> – Jean Leroy 510L 	
<i>Accident!</i> – Andrea Tsurumi AD 270L 	
<i>After the Fall: How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again</i> – Dan Santat AD 550L 	
<i>The Memory Coat</i> – Elvira Woodruff AD 860L 	

Details and Key Ideas

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Prehistoric Actual Size</i> – Steve Jenkins IG 890L 	
<i>Lesser Spotted Animals</i> – Martin Brown 870L 	
<i>Trombone Shorty</i> – Troy Trombone Shorty Andrews 760L 	
<i>Frederick Douglass: The Lion Who Wrote History</i> – Walter Dean Myers 	
<i>Joltin' Joe DiMaggio</i> – Jonah Winter 720L 	
<i>Fifty Cents and a Dream: Young Booker T. Washington</i> – Jabari Asim NC 650L 	



From the Good Mountain: How Gutenberg Changed the World – James Rumford 680L 

The Tree Lady – H. Joseph Hopkins 760L 

Luna & Me: The True Story of a Girl Who Lived in a Tree to Save a Forest
– Jenny Sue Kosteck-Shaw 

Midnight Teacher: Lilly Ann Granderson and Her Secret School – Janet Halfmann 950L 

Danza! Amalia Hernández and El Ballet Folklórico de México – Duncan Tonatuh 980L 

Can an Aardvark Bark? – Melissa Stewart 720L 

Dangerous Jane – Suzanne Slade 770L 

Retelling, Paraphrasing, and Summarizing (Literary)

Title — Author My Notes

Sometimes You Fly – Katherine Applegate

TEK: The Modern Cave Boy – Patrick McDonnell

Creepy Pair of Underwear! – Aaron Reynolds AD 470L 

The Tea Party in the Woods – Akiko Miyakoshi AD 460L 


Nugget & Fang: Friends Forever—or Snack Time? – Tammi Sauer 480L 

Windblown – Édouard Manceau AD 430L 

Boom Snot Twitty – Doreen Cronin


Duck on a Tractor – David Shannon AD 570L 

Telephone – Mac Barnett

If You Give a Mouse a Brownie – Laura Numeroff AD 480L 


The Great Puppy Invasion – Alastair Heim AD 520L 

Fireflies! – Julie Brinckloe AD 550L 

Alexander, Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday – Judith Viorst AD 570L 

Retelling, Paraphrasing, and Summarizing (Informational)


Title — Author My Notes

This Is How We Do It: One Day in the Lives of Seven Kids from around the World
– Matt Lamothe NC 620L 

Becoming Babe Ruth – Matt Tavares AD 810L 

What Makes A Monster?: Discovering the World's Scariest Creatures – Jess Keating NC 

How to Be an Elephant: Growing Up in the African Wild – Katherine Roy NC 1310L 


Shark Lady: The True Story of How Eugenie Clark Became the Ocean's Most Fearless Scientist
– Jess Keating 730L 





Dazzle Ships: World War I and the Art of Confusion – Chris Barton 990L 


Maya Lin: Artist-Architect of Light and Lines: Designer of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial
– Jeanne Walker Harvey 800L 

One Proud Penny – Randy Siegel AD 960L 

Over and Under the Pond – Kate Messner AD 660L 

Preaching to the Chickens: The Story of Young John Lewis – Jabari Asim 670L 

Whoosh!: Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions – Chris Barton 820L 

Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life – Ashley Bryan 730L 


I am Gandhi – Brad Meltzer 560L 


Imagine That! How Dr. Seuss Wrote The Cat in the Hat – Judy Sierra

Theme

Title — Author

My Notes

Not Quite Narwhal – Jessie Sima AD 590L 


This Is Not My Hat – Jon Klassen AD 340L 

Alma and How She Got Her Name – Juana Martinez-Neal

That's Me Loving You – Amy Krouse Rosenthal

The OK Book – Amy Krouse Rosenthal

How Do Dinosaurs Stay Friends? – Jane Yolen AD 470L 

Waiting Is Not Easy! – Mo Willems 250L 

Big Cat, Little Cat – Elisha Cooper AD 370L 


Wordy Birdy – Tammi Sauer

Each Kindness – Jacqueline Woodson AD 530L 


Stellaluna – Jannell Cannon AD 550L 


How Chipmunk Got Tiny Feet: Native American Animal Origin Stories – Gerald Hausman


Salt in His Shoes: Michael Jordan in Pursuit of a Dream
– Deloris Jordan with Roslyn M. Jordan 630L 

The Invisible Boy – Trudy Ludwig AD 680L 


More Than Anything Else – Marie Bradby 570L 

One Green Apple – Eve Bunting 450L 

The Empty Pot – Demi 630L 

The Legendary Miss Lena Horne – Carole Boston Weatherford 1010L 

The Night Gardener – The Fan Brothers AD 570L 










Solving the Puzzle Under the Sea: Marie Tharp Maps the Ocean Floor – Robert Burleigh 750L 



Character

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>An A From Miss Keller</i> – Patricia Polacco 700L 	
<i>Chopsticks</i> – Amy Krouse Rosenthal AD 500L 	
<i>The Mermaid</i> – Jan Brett AD 540L 	
<i>The Digger and the Flower</i> – Joseph Kuefler	
<i>The Day the Crayons Came Home</i> – Drew Daywalt AD 550L 	
<i>Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut</i> – Derrick Barnes 700L 	
<i>Mary Had a Little Glam</i> – Tammi Sauer AD 560L 	
<i>Bloom</i> – Doreen Cronin 720L 	
<i>It Is Not Time for Sleeping</i> – Lisa Graff AD 500L 	
<i>The Dot</i> – Peter H. Reynolds AD 500L 	
<i>Lemonade in Winter: A Book About Two Kids Counting Money</i> – Emily Jenkins AD 480L 	
<i>Love, Triangle</i> – Marcie Colleen	
<i>Rapunzel</i> – Bethan Woolvin 620L 	
<i>Tyrannosaurus Rex vs. Edna the Very First Chicken</i> – Douglas Rees	
<i>Twinderella, A Fractioned Fairy Tale</i> – Corey Rosen Schwartz AD 580L 	
<i>Sarabella's Thinking Cap</i> – Judy Schachner AD 670L 	
<i>Sam, the Most Scaredy-Cat Kid in the Whole World</i> – Mo Willems 440L 	

Plot

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Mr. Wayne's Masterpiece</i> – Patricia Polacco	
<i>Fiona's Lace</i> – Patricia Polacco AD 740L 	
<i>Remembering Vera</i> – Patricia Polacco AD 780L 	
<i>Battle Bunny</i> – Jon Scieszka and Mac Barnett AD540L 	
<i>Robinson</i> – Peter Sís AD 520L 	
<i>No Kimchi For Me!</i> – Aram Kim AD 310L 	
<i>Creepy Carrots!</i> – Aaron Reynolds AD 490L 	
<i>Boy + Bot</i> – Ame Dyckman AD380L 	
<i>The Other Side</i> – Jacqueline Woodson AD 490L 	
<i>The Hard-Times Jar</i> – Ethel Footman Smothers AD 600L 	



Just a Dream – Chris Van Allsburg 550L



Bad Boys – Margie Palatini AD530L



The Plot Chickens – Mary Jane Auch AD 540L



Jack's Worry – Sam Zuppardi

Also an Octopus – Maggie Tokuda-Hall

Setting

Title — Author

My Notes

The Road Home – Katie Cotton

On A Magical Do-Nothing Day – Beatrice Alemagna

A Thirst For Home: A Story of Water across the World – Christine Ieronimo 610L



The Bear and the Piano – David Litchfield AD 620L



This is Our Baby, Born Today – Varsha Bajaj AD 530L



A Different Pond – Bao Phi 620L



I'm Gonna Climb a Mountain in My Patent Leather Shoes – Marilyn Singer

Love – Matt de la Peña

Owl Moon – Jane Yolen 550L



Before Morning – Joyce Sidman

Tucky Jo and Little Heart – Patricia Polacco AD 670L



Thunder Cake – Patricia Polacco 630L



Poetry

Title — Author

My Notes

Put Your Eyes Up Here And Other School Poems – Kalli Dakos NP



Once Inside the Library – Barbara A. Huff

The Free and the Brave: A Collection of Poems About The United States

– Compiled and Annotated by Patricia M. Stockland 910L



Comets, Stars, the Moon, and Mars: Space Poems and Paintings – Douglas Florian NP



Someone Used My Toothbrush! and Other Bathroom Poems – Carol Diggory Shields

It's Snowing! It's Snowing!: Winter Poems – Jack Prelutsky

Tap Dancing on the Roof: Sijo (Poems) – Linda Sue Park 650L



One Minute till Bedtime: 60-Second Poems to Send You Off to Sleep – Kenn Nesbitt

On the Spot – Amy Krouse Rosenthal & Lea Redmond



Flutter & Hum: Animal Poems/Aleteo y Zumbido: Poemas de Animales – Julie Paschkis BR 60L



Jazz Day: The Making of a Famous Photograph – Roxane Orgill

When Green Becomes Tomatoes: Poems for All Seasons – Julie Fogliano NP



Poetry for Young People: Robert Frost – Edited by Gary D. Schmidt NP



Poetry for Young People: Emily Dickinson – Edited by Frances Schoonmaker Bolin NP



Poetry for Young People: Walt Whitman – Edited by Jonathan Levin NP



Drama

Title — Author

My Notes

Readers' Theater: Tall Tales – Retold by Maureen Gerard, Ph.D.

12 Fabulously Funny Fairy Tale Plays – Justin McCory Martin

Much Ado About Nothing for Kids – Lois Burdett

A Midsummer Night's Dream for Kids – Louis Burdett

Hamlet for Kids – Louis Burdett

25 Just-Right Plays for Emergent Readers – Carol Pugliano-Martin

20 Great Plays for Children – Edited by Coleman A. Jennings

Greek Myth Plays – Carol Pugliano-Martin

10-Minute Plays for Kids (Applause Acting) – Lawrence Harbison

The Tempest for Kids – Louis Burdett NP



Arthur's Thanksgiving – Marc Brown 560L



Informational Texts: Central Ideas, Supporting Evidence, and Organizational Patterns

Title — Author

My Notes

Flying Solo: How Ruth Elder Soared into America's Heart – Julie Cummins

In the Middle of Fall – Kevin Henkes 390L



The Youngest Marcher: The Story of Audrey Faye Hendricks, a Young Civil Rights Activist
– Cynthia Levinson 720L



Grace Hopper: Queen of Computer Code – Laurie Wallmark 730L



Trudy's Big Swim: How Gertrude Ederle Swam the English Channel and Took the World by Storm – Sue Macy AD980L



A Home for Mr. Emerson – Barbara Kerley 830L



Caroline's Comets: A True Story – Emily Arnold McCully AD 800L



I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark – Debbie Levy 710L





The Hole Story of the Doughnut – Pat Miller AD900L



Jubilee! One Man's Big, Bold, and Very, Very Loud Celebration of Peace – Alicia Potter 610L



Penguin Day: A Family Story – Nic Bishop 480L



Hidden Figures – Margot Lee Shetterly 980L



Plants Can't Sit Still – Rebecca E. Hirsch AD 510



How We Learned the Earth Is Round – Patricia Lauber 550L



Fire! Fire! – Gail Gibbons 660L



Persuasive/Argumentative Texts

Title — Author

My Notes

I Really Like Slop! – Mo Willems 190L



Don't Let the Pigeon Stay Up Late! – Mo Willems AD 470L



I Wanna New Room – Karen Kaufman Orloff AD 540L



I Wanna Iguana – Karen Kaufman Orloff AD 580L



My Brother Dan's Delicious – Steven L. Layne AD 970L



Can I Bring Woolly to the Library, Ms. Reeder? – Lois G. Grambling NC 830L



Can I Bring Saber to New York City, Ms. Mayor? – Lois G. Grambling AD 620L



Hey, Little Ant – Phillip and Hannah Hoose NP



Earrings! – Judith Viorst 470L



Trust Me, Jack's Beanstalk Stinks!: The Story of Jack and the Beanstalk as Told by the Giant
– Eric Braun 520L



Animals should definitely not wear clothing. – Judi Barrett NP



Never Take a Shark to the Dentist: (and other things not to do) – Judi Barrett AD 290L



Author's Purpose/Message and Text Structure(Literary)

Title — Author

My Notes

Dear Girl, – Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Paris Rosenthal AD 480L



Lionheart – Richard Collingridge AD 450L



Aberdeen – Stacey Previn AD 500L



The Night World – Mordicai Gerstein AD 430L



The Only Child – Guojing NP



Waiting – Kevin Henkes 440L



Toys Meet Snow – Emily Jenkins AD 500L





Sidewalk Flowers – JonArno Lawson

Thank You and Good Night – Patrick McDonnell AD 480L



Mighty, Mighty Construction Site – Sherri Duskey Rinker AD 710L



Author's Purpose and Text Structure (Informational)

Title — Author

My Notes

The Watcher: Jane Goodall's Life with the Chimps – Jeanette Winter AD 630L



14 Cows for America – Carmen Agra Deedy AD 540L



Ada's Violin: The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay – Susan Hood 820L



Margaret and the Moon: How Margaret Hamilton Saved the First Lunar Landing – Dean Robbins 630L



Mae Among the Stars – Roda Ahmed

Becoming Bach – Tom Leonard

Soldier Song: A True Story of the Civil War – Debbie Levy

Shaking Things Up: 14 Young Women Who Changed the World – Susan Hood

Libba: The Magnificent Musical Life of Elizabeth Cotton – Laura Veirs 580L



Be A King: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Dream and You – Carole Boston Weatherford 360L



Let the Children March – Monica Clark-Robinson 650L



My Journey to the Stars – Scott Kelly 680L



Danger! Volcanoes – Seymour Simon 790L



Print and Graphic Features

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Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site – Sherri Duskey Rinker AD 610L



The Noisy Paint Box: The Colors and Sounds of Kandinsky's Abstract Art – Barb Rosenstock AD630L



The Book With No Pictures – B.J. Novak 490L



Big Machines: The Story of Virginia Lee Burton – Sherri Duskey Rinker AD 640L



A Hundred Billion Trillion Stars – Seth Fishman

Grand Canyon – Jason Chin 1000L



The Ferris Wheel: The Story of Inventor George Ferris – Betsy Harvey Kraft 770L



Bone by Bone: Comparing Animal Skeletons – Sara Levine 580L



Mama Africa!: How Miriam Makeba Spread Hope with Her Song – Kathryn Erskine 630L



Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear – Lindsay Mattick 590L





Six Dots: A Story of Young Louis Braille – Jen Bryant 590L







Papa Is a Poet: A Story About Robert Frost – Natalie S. Bober AD 1010L 


Apples – Gail Gibbons 650L 

Zita the Spacegirl – Ben Hatke GN310L 

Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute – Jarrett J. Krosoczka GN520L 

Knights of the Lunch Table: The Dodgeball Chronicles – Frank Cammuso GN 250L 

Dragonbreath – Ursula Vernon 700L 

Squish No. 1: Super Amoeba – Jennifer L. Holm & Matthew Holm GN 520L 

Imagery, Literal and Figurative Language, and Sound Devices

Title — Author My Notes

They Say Blue – Jillian Tamaki


I Wish You More – Amy Krouse Rosenthal AD280L 


When Spring Comes – Kevin Henkes 500L 

Listen to My Trumpet! – Mo Willems

Pink Is For Blobfish: Discovering the World's Perfectly Pink Animals – Jess Keating NC1040L 

Last Stop on Market Street – Matt de la Peña AD610L 


The Most Magnificent Thing – Ashley Spires AD380L 


You Never Heard of Willie Mays?! – Jonah Winter 850L 


Yellow Time – Lauren Stringer 580L 

Fearless Flyer: Ruth Law and Her Flying Machine – Heather Lang AD700L 

Lighter than Air: Sophie Blanchard, the First Woman Pilot – Matthew Clark Smith

Long-Armed Ludy and the First Women's Olympics – Jean L.S. Patrick 650L 

Betty's Burgled Bakery: An Alliteration Adventure – Travis Nichols GN480L 

In a Pickle: And Other Funny Idioms – Marvin Terban 780L 


You're Toast and Other Metaphors We Adore – Nancy Loewen 530L 


Click, Clack, Surprise! – Doreen Cronin AD400L 

Literary Devices, including Point of View

Title — Author My Notes

Exclamation Mark – Amy Krouse Rosenthal 360L 

The Pigeon Needs a Bath! – Mo Willems AD 350L 

Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type – Doreen Cronin AD 470L 



They All Saw a Cat – Brendan Wenzel AD 310L



City Shapes – Diana Murray AD 930L



Lenny & Lucy – Philip C. Stead AD 630L



The Dog That Nino Didn't Have – Edward van de Vendel AD 470L



This Is the Rope: A Story from the Great Migration – Jacqueline Woodson AD 790L



Leave Me Alone! – Vera Brosgol

Steam Train, Dream Train – Sherri Duskey Rinker AD 610L



A Leaf Can Be . . . – Laura Purdie Salas AD 260L



School's First Day of School – Adam Rex 580L



The Hickory Chair – Lisa Rowe Fraustino AD 850L



Voices in the Park – Anthony Browne 560L



Author's Use of Language and Voice

Title — Author

My Notes

A Dark, Dark Cave – Eric Hoffman AD 320L



Hensel and Gretel: Ninja Chicks – Corey Rosen Schwartz and Rebecca J. Gomez AD700L



Chicken in Space – Adam Lehrhaupt AD 370L



One Day in the Eucalyptus, Eucalyptus Tree – Daniel Bernstrom AD 570L



Hoot and Peep – Lita Judge AD 490L



The Princess and the Pony – Kate Beaton AD 530L



This Bridge Will Not Be Gray – Dave Eggers 720L



The Bossier Baby – Marla Frazee AD 510L



Du Iz Tak? – Carson Ellis



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BR	A book with a Lexile measure of OL or below is coded BR for Beginning Reader. These books are appropriate for emergent readers. Often BR books are not used for independent reading, but are read aloud by an adult to or with the child.
NC	These NC Non-Conforming books have a Lexile measure markedly higher than is typical for the intended audience or designated developmental level of the book. The NC code is useful when matching high-ability readers with a book that is still at an appropriate developmental level.
AD	Picture books often get an AD or Adult Directed code. They are usually read to a child, rather than a child reading them independently. Although seemingly easy reading, some picture books actually have pretty high Lexile measures, and could present a challenging independent reading experience to an age-appropriate reader. Initially, an adult may want to read the book along with a child.
IG	Books that consist of short, stand-alone pieces of text like in an encyclopedia or glossary are given an IG code for Illustrated Guide. Usually nonfiction, IG books are often used as a reference resource rather than read in their entirety like a storybook. The IG code does not have anything to do with reading levels, but instead conveys an idea of the kind of book and what the book typically will be used for in the classroom or library
HL	Librarians, teachers, and booksellers sometimes refer to young adult books written at low levels as high-low books. HL books are useful when matching older (grade 7 and beyond) struggling or reluctant readers with books about age-appropriate topics and issues written at elementary-school reading levels.
GN	Graphic novels and comic books get a GN code. Text appears primarily in voice or thought bubbles integrated into comic book-style illustrations. The impact of the pictures on reading comprehension is not captured in the Lexile measure of a graphic novel.
NP	Non-Prose



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