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GSE Level 5



Unit 1 Women's Work


Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Rosie the Riveter: Women Working on the Home Front in World War II</i> — Penny Colman 1060L	
<i>Those Extraordinary Women of World War I</i> — Karen Zeinert	
<i>Doing Our Part: American Women on the Home Front During World War II</i> — Susan Sinnott 1160L	
<i>When Men, Women, and Children Saved the World!: World War II</i> — Carole Marsh	
<i>We Can Do It!: Stories of Women in World War II</i> — Andrew Langley	
<i>Rosie the Riveter: Women in World War II</i> — Sean Stewart Price	
<i>Women Go to Work, 1941–1945</i> — Donna Roppelt	
<i>We Did It!: American Women During World War II</i> — Claudia Hagen	
<i>Women in World War I</i> — Nick Hunter 1090L 	
<i>Rosie Revere, Engineer</i> — Andrea Beaty AD780L 	
<i>A New Coat for Anna</i> — Harriet Ziefert 580L 	
<i>Amelia to Zora: Twenty-Six Women Who Changed the World</i> — Cynthia Chin-Lee AD1040L 	

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Unit 2 The Secret Garden

Title — Author My Notes

The Secret Garden— Frances Hodgson Burnett 710L 

The Secret Garden— Deborah Hautzig 510L 

Turtle in Paradise— Jennifer L. Holm 610L 

Bridge to Terabithia— Katherine Paterson 810L 

The Lions of Little Rock— Kristin Levine 630L 

The Secret Garden—retold by Martha Hailey DuBose

The Colour of Home— Mary Hoffman

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Unit 3 How I See it: One Kid's Take on Modern Life

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Cell Phone Pros and Cons</i> — Lesley Ward	
<i>The Technology Tail: A Digital Footprint Story</i> — Julia Cook	
<i>Technology: A Byte-Size World!</i> — Dan Green	
<i>History of Video Games</i> — David Paris and Stephanie Herweck Paris	
<i>Kidnet: The Kid's Guide to Surfing Through Cyberspace</i> — Debra and Brad Schepp	
<i>The Internet Sleuths</i> — A.M. Marcus	
<i>Secret Coders: Get with the Program!</i> — Gene Luen Yang	
<i>Mousetracks: A Kid's Computer Idea Book</i> — Peggy L. Steinhauser	
<i>The Homework Machine</i> — Dan Gutman 680L 	
<i>The Flinkwater Factor</i> — Pete Hautman 740L 	
<i>Diary of a Minecraft Zombie</i> — Zack Zombie 650L 	
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Unit 4 The Legend of Elephant and Monkey and The Bundle of Kindling

Title — Author My Notes

That Fruit Is Mine!– Anuska Allepuz


What If You Had an Animal Nose!?– Sandra Markle


Sam & Dave Dig a Hole– Mac Barnett 450L 

Up the Creek– Nicholas Oldland AD700L 

Prince and Pirate– Charlotte Gunnufson AD640L 

The Whispering Town– Jennifer Elvgren 530L 

The Terrible Two– Mac Barnett 620L 

Escape From Mr. Lemoncello's Library– Chris Grabenstein 720L 

Half Upon a Time– James Riley 800L 

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Unit 5 A Shrinking River

Title — Author

My Notes

Rio Grande: From the Rocky Mountains to the Gulf of Mexico— Peter Lourie 100L



The Rio Grande—Katie Marsico 990L



The Rio Grande— Kathleen Fahey

American Sisters: Down the Rio Grande, 1829— Laurie Lawlor

My Land Sings: Stories from the Rio Grande— Rudolfo Anaya

Porky's Quest: An Adventure in the Rio Grande Bosque— Lauren Bennett

The Rio Grande— Tim McNeese

10 Things You Can Do to Save Water— Jenny Mason

Why Do We Need Water?— Kelley MacAulay

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**Unit 6 Sliding Into the Future and Midnight Hide and Seek**

Title — Author

My Notes

Book Speak!: Poems about Books— Laura Purdie Salas

The Arrow Finds Its Mark: A Book of Found Poems— edited by Georgia Heard

Every Thing On It— Shel Silverstein

A Stick Is an Excellent Thing: Poems Celebrating Outdoor Play— Marilyn Singer

Lemonade and Other Poems Squeezed from a Single Word— Bob Raczka

Talking Like the Rain: A Read-to-Me Book of Poems— Selected by X.J. Kennedy and Dorothy M. Kennedy



Where the Sidewalk Ends— Shel Silverstein

A Pizza the Size of the Sun— Jack Prelutsky

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Unit 7 The Harvest Brigade of 1944

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>World War II on the Home Front: An Interactive History Adventure</i> — Martin Gitlin 630L	
<i>Harvest Time</i> — Erika L. Shores	
<i>Machines on the Farm</i> — Sian Smith NC540L	
<i>Massey-Ferguson Tractors</i> — Michael Williams	
<i>DK Find Out! World War II</i> — Brian Williams	
<i>World War II for Kids</i> — Richard Panchyk	
<i>World War II Days: Discover the Past with Exciting Projects, Games, Activities, and Recipes</i> — David C. King	
<i>Fantastic Farm Machines</i> — Cris Peterson	
<i>DK Eyewitness Books: World War II</i> — Simon Adams	
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**Unit 8 The Pause**

Title — Author My Notes

Who Is Pelé?— James Buckley Jr. 880L 

Champions of Women's Soccer— Ann Killion 1090L 

Goal!: Soccer as You've Never Seen It Before— DK IG1040L 

Soccer Star— Mina Javaherbin ID550L 

Nations of South America— Speedy Publishing

The History of the Internet and the World Wide Web— Art Wolinsky

DK Eyewitness Books: Soccer— Hugh Hornby



Soccer Shooting & Finishing: A Step-By-Step Guide on How to Score— Dylan Joseph

The World Wide Web: What It Is and How to Use It— Tricia Yearling

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Unit 9 Seeing Double

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Twins!</i> – Elaine Scott 660L 	
<i>The Trouble with Twins</i> – Kathryn Siebel 710L 	
<i>You Know You're a Twin When...</i> – Adria A. Ellerbrock	
<i>The Kurious Kid Presents: Twins</i> – Brian Cliette	
<i>Double Take: The Story of Twins</i> – Daniel Jussim	
<i>Take Two!: A Celebration of Twins</i> – J. Patrick Lewis and Jane Yolen	
<i>Sisters First: Stories from Our Wild and Wonderful Life</i> – Jenna Bush Hager and Barbara Pierce Bush	
<i>Chicken Soup for the Soul: Twins and More</i> – Jack Canfield, Mark Victor Hansen, and Susan M. Heim	
<i>Festivals Together: Guide to Multicultural Celebration</i> – Sue Fitzjohn, Minda Weston, and Judy Large	
<i>Festivals, Family, and Food</i> – Diana Carey and Judy Large	

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Unit 10 Willa Beatrice Brown: American Aviator and The Tuskegee Airmen

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Who Were the Tuskegee Airmen?</i> – Sherri L. Smith 840L 	
<i>The Tuskegee Airmen</i> – Christine Zuchora-Walske 1090L 	
<i>Eyewitness to the Role of Women in World War II</i> – Jill Sherman 680L 	
<i>We Can Do It!: Stories of Women in World War II</i> – Andrew Langley 940L 	
<i>Black Pioneers of Science and Invention</i> – Louis Haber 1230L 	
<i>Hidden Figures</i> – Margot Lee Shetterly 1120L 	
<i>Tiny Stitches: The Life of Medical Pioneer Vivien Thomas</i> – Gwendolyn Hooks 920L 	
<i>Mae Among the Stars</i> – Roda Ahmed AD580L 	
<i>The Tuskegee Airmen Story</i> – Scott Slaughter	
<i>Code Girls: The Untold Story of the American Women Code Breakers of World War II</i> – Liza Mundy	
<i>The Tuskegee Airmen Story</i> – Lynn M. Homan and Thomas Reilly	

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**Unit 11 What a Find**

Title — Author My Notes

Archaeologists in Action— Megan Kopp 990L



Archaeology: Cool Women Who Dig— Anita Yasuda 970L



100 Things to Be When You Grow Up— Lisa M. Gerry 1030L



Career Ideas for Kids Who Like Sports— Diane Lindsey Reeves 1070L



So, You Want to Work with Animals?— J.M. Bedell 1090L



Career Ideas for Kids Who Like Art— Diane Lindsey Reeves






Hands-On Archaeology: Real-Life Activities for Kids— John R. White

Archaeology for Kids: Uncovering the Mysteries of Our Past— Richard Panchyk

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Unit 12 Voices Only, Please and Human Drum Machines

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>When the Beat Was Born: DJ Kool Herc & the Creation of Hip Hop</i> — Laban Carrick Hill AD770L	
<i>What Is Hip-Hop?</i> — Eric Morse NC840L	
<i>Hip-Hop History</i> — Wendy Garofoli 910L	
<i>Hip-Hop: A Short History</i> — Rosa Waters 1170L	
<i>American Hip-Hop: Rappers, DJs, and Hard Beats</i> — Nathan Sacks IG1020L	
<i>Exploring the Science of Sounds: 100 Musical Activities for Young Children</i> — Abigail Flesch Connors	
<i>We Rock!: A Fun Family Guide for Exploring Rock Music History</i> — Jason Hanley	
<i>It's a Hip-Hop Hip-Hop World for Every B-Boy and B-Girl</i> — A.D. Largie	
<i>Beatbox Brothers</i> — Marg McAlister	
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Unit 13 The Enchanted Watch

Title — Author My Notes

American Fairy Tales— L. Frank Baum

Classic Fairy Tales— Scott Gustafson

The Land of Stories series — Chris Colfer

The Classic Fairy Tales— Edited by Maria Tatar

Ella Enchanted— Gail Carson Levine 670L



Whatever After: Fairest of All— Sarah Mlynowski 400L



If the Magic Fits— Susan Maupin Schmid 630L



The Sasquatch Escape— Suzanne Selfors 630L




Aleca Zamm Is a Wonder— Ginger Rue 660L



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Unit 14 Cornhole

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Tag, Toss & Run: 40 Classic Lawn Games</i> — Paul Tukey and Victoria Rowell	
<i>Cornhole: Throwing Bags in a Hole</i> — Mark Rogers	
<i>The Outrageous Outdoor Games Book</i> — Bob Gregson	
<i>101 Fun Outdoor Activities for Children</i> — Fiona Bird	
<i>Go Out and Play!</i> — Kaboom!	
<i>Play These Games: 101 Delightful Diversions Using Everyday Items</i> — Heather Swain	
<i>Master-Mind: Over 100 Games, Tests, and Puzzles to Unleash Your Inner Genius</i> — Stephanie Warren Drimmer	
<i>101 Kids Activities That Are the Bestest, Funnest Ever!</i> — Holly Homer and Rachel Miller	
<i>Alex and the Wednesday Chess Club</i> — Janet S. Wong	
<i>Busting Boredom in the Great Outdoors</i> — Tyler Omoth IG770L 	

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Unit 15 Keelboat Annie

Title — Author

My Notes

Keelboat Annie— retold by Janet P. Johnson

Steamboat Annie and the Thousand-Pound Catfish— Catherine Wright

Tall Tales Collection— Steven Kellogg

Keelboat Annie— retold by Antonio Blane

American Tall Tales— Mary Pope Osborne 970L



Jackrabbit McCabe & the Electric Telegraph— Lucy Margaret Rozier AD930L



Meanwhile Back at the Ranch— Trinka Hakes Noble AD620L



Thunder Rose— Jerdine Nolen AD910L




Fortunately, the Milk— Neil Gaiman 680L



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Unit 16 Hong Yi: Art, Her Way and Unconventional Art Isn't Child's Play

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>13 Art Techniques Children Should Know</i> — Angela Wenzel	
<i>Nature's Art Box</i> — Laura C. Martin	
<i>C.R.A.F.T.: Creating Really Awesome Free Things</i> — Jamie Dorobek	
<i>Make It: Unusual Art</i> — Heather E. Schwartz	
<i>Rock Art!: Painting on Rocks, Stones and Pebbles</i> — Denise Scicluna	
<i>String Art</i> — Klutz	
<i>Funky Junk</i> — Gary Kings and Richard Ginger	
<i>Junk Re-Think: Amazing Creations You Can Build from Junk!</i> — Brian Yanish	
<i>500 Kids Art Ideas</i> — Gavin Andrews	
<i>51 Things to Make with Cardboard Tubes</i> — Fiona Hayes	
<i>Astonishing Art with Recycled Rubbish</i> — Susan Martineau	
<i>Look What You Can Make with Recycled Paper</i> — Highlights	
<i>Art with Anything</i> — MaryAnn F. Kohl	
<i>The Night Gardener</i> — Terry Fan and Eric Fan AD570L 	

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Unit 17 The Dreams of Whispering Wind

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>Native American Myths</i> — Anita Dala	
<i>Native American Civilization</i> — Andy Mathis and Marion Wood	
<i>Learning about Native Americans with Arts & Crafts</i> — Kira Freed	
<i>Arts and Crafts of the Native Americans</i> — Ting Morris	
<i>The Art of Native American Turquoise Jewelry</i> — Ann Stalcup	
<i>A Kid's Guide to Native American History</i> — Yvonne Wakim Dennis	
<i>Explore Native American Cultures!</i> — Anita Yasuda 900L 	
<i>Native Americans: Discover the History & Cultures of the First Americans</i> — Kim Kavin 1080L 	
<i>They Dance in the Sky: Native American Star Myths</i> —Jean Guard Monroe and Ray A. Williamson 940L 	

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Unit 18 Buffalo Dusk and First People


Title — Author	My Notes
<i>The Trail of Tears</i> — Joseph Bruchac 610L 	
<i>Buffalo Before Breakfast</i> — Mary Pope Osborne 380L 	
<i>The Buffalo and the Indians: A Shared Destiny</i> — Dorothy Hinshaw Patent 1120L 	
<i>Indian Handcrafts: How to Craft Dozens of the Practice Objects Using Tradition Indian Techniques</i> —C. Keith Wilbur, M.D.	
<i>More Than Moccasins: A Kid's Activity Guide to Traditional North American Indian Life</i> — Laurie Carlson	
<i>Following the Great Herds: The Plains Indians and the American Buffalo</i> — Ryan P. Randolph	
<i>The Inca: Activities and Crafts from a Mysterious Land</i> — Arlette N. Braman	
<i>The Wisdom of the Native Americans</i> — Edited by Kent Nerburn	
<i>American Indians Crafts Kids Can Do!</i> — Carol Gnojewski	
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**Unit 19 How the Mice Overcame the Warriors and Mourning Dove and Ant**

Title — Author My Notes

The Lion & the Mouse— Jerry Pinkney 760L 

Fables— Arnold Lobel 490L 

Arrow to the Sun— Gerald McDermott 480L 

Favorite North American Indian Legends— Edited by Philip Smith

Trickster: Native American Tales/A Graphic Collection— Matt Dembicki






Aesop's Favorite Fables— Illustrated by Milo Winter

The Legend of Sleeping Bear— Kathy-jo Wargin

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Unit 20 The Coney Island Hot Dog

Title — Author	My Notes
<i>The Rose Horse</i> — Deborah Lee Rose	
<i>Return to Coney Island</i> — Melissa Stoller	
<i>Coney Island: The History of New York City's Most Famous Amusement Park Resort</i> — Charles River Editors	
<i>Coney Island: 150 years of Rides, Fires, Floods, the Rich, the Poor and Finally Robert Moses</i> — William J. Phalen	
<i>Nathan's Famous Hot Dog Cookbook</i> — Murray Handwerker	
<i>We Have a Winner!: America's Weird and Wonderful Races, Derbies, Pageants, and Eating Contests</i> — Railey Jane Savage	
<i>What Was Ellis Island?</i> — Patricia Brennan Demuth 800L 	
<i>Ellis Island: An Interactive History Adventure</i> — Michael Burgan 600L 	
<i>Hot Dog! Eleanor Roosevelt Throws a Picnic</i> — Leslie Kimmelman 810L 	
<i>Hot Diggity Dog: The History of the Hot Dog</i> — Adrienne Sylver AD930L 	
<i>Ellis Island</i> — Elizabeth Carney 800L 	

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Skill-Based Literature Level 5

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 AD 520L	
<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 AD 510L	
<i>The Hueys in What's the Opposite?</i> – Oliver Jeffers AD 270L	
<i>Snappy the Alligator (Did Not Ask to Be in This Book!)</i> – Julie Falatko AD 560L	
<i>The King Who Rained</i> – Fred Gwynne AD 440L	

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 Kostecki-Shaw 

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

Danza!: Amalia Hernández and El Ballet Folklórico de México – Duncan Tonatiuh 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

An A From Miss Keller – Patricia Polacco 700L



Chopsticks – Amy Krouse Rosenthal AD 500L



The Mermaid – Jan Brett AD 540L



The Digger and the Flower – Joseph Kuefler

The Day the Crayons Came Home – Drew Daywalt AD 550L



Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut – Derrick Barnes 700L



Mary Had a Little Glam – Tammi Sauer AD 560L



Bloom – Doreen Cronin 720L



It Is Not Time for Sleeping – Lisa Graff AD 500L



The Dot – Peter H. Reynolds AD 500L



Lemonade in Winter: A Book About Two Kids Counting Money – Emily Jenkins AD 480L



Love, Triangle – Marcie Colleen

Rapunzel – Bethan Woolvin 620L



Tyrannosaurus Rex vs. Edna the Very First Chicken – Douglas Rees

Twinderella, A Fractioned Fairy Tale – Corey Rosen Schwartz AD 580L



Sarabella's Thinking Cap – Judy Schachner AD 670L



Sam, the Most Scaredy-Cat Kid in the Whole World – Mo Willems 440L



Plot

Title — Author

My Notes

Mr. Wayne's Masterpiece – Patricia Polacco

Fiona's Lace – Patricia Polacco AD 740L



Remembering Vera – Patricia Polacco AD 780L



Battle Bunny – Jon Scieszka and Mac Barnett AD540L



Robinson – Peter Sís AD 520L



No Kimchi For Me! – Aram Kim AD 310L



Creepy Carrots! – Aaron Reynolds AD 490L



Boy + Bot – Ame Dyckman AD380L



The Other Side – Jacqueline Woodson AD 490L






The Hard-Times Jar – 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





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


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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

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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)

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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)

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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

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Exclamation Mark – Amy Krouse Rosenthal 360L 



<i>The Pigeon Needs a Bath!</i> – Mo Willems AD 350L	
<i>Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type</i> – Doreen Cronin AD 470L	
<i>They All Saw a Cat</i> – Brendan Wenzel AD 310L	
<i>City Shapes</i> – Diana Murray AD 930L	
<i>Lenny & Lucy</i> – Philip C. Stead AD 630L	
<i>The Dog That Nino Didn't Have</i> – Edward van de Vendel AD 470L	
<i>This Is the Rope: A Story from the Great Migration</i> – Jacqueline Woodson AD 790L	
<i>Leave Me Alone!</i> – Vera Brosgol	
<i>Steam Train, Dream Train</i> – Sherri Duskey Rinker AD 610L	
<i>A Leaf Can Be . . .</i> – Laura Purdie Salas AD 260L	
<i>School's First Day of School</i> – Adam Rex 580L	
<i>The Hickory Chair</i> – Lisa Rowe Fraustino AD 850L	
<i>Voices in the Park</i> – Anthony Browne 560L	

Author's Use of Language and Voice

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<i>A Dark, Dark Cave</i> – Eric Hoffman AD 320L	
<i>Hensel and Gretel: Ninja Chicks</i> – Corey Rosen Schwartz and Rebecca J. Gomez AD700L	
<i>Chicken in Space</i> – Adam Lehrhaupt AD 370L	
<i>One Day in the Eucalyptus, Eucalyptus Tree</i> – Daniel Bernstrom AD 570L	
<i>Hoot and Peep</i> – Lita Judge AD 490L	
<i>The Princess and the Pony</i> – Kate Beaton AD 530L	
<i>This Bridge Will Not Be Gray</i> – Dave Eggers 720L	
<i>The Bossier Baby</i> – Marla Frazee AD 510L	
<i>Du Iz Tak?</i> – Carson Ellis	
<i>Ideas Are All Around</i> – Philip C. Stead AD600L	
<i>Nighty-Night, Cooper</i> – Laura Numeroff	
<i>The Journey</i> – Francesca Sanna AD630L	
<i>Jazz Age Josephine</i> – Jonah Winter NC600L	
<i>Muhammad Ali: Champion of the World</i> – Jonah Winter AD860L	
<i>Saving Sweetness</i> – Diane Stanley AD820L	



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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



Other Resources I've Found

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