


All American Boys<br>By: Jason Reynolds (2015)

When a quick stop at the corner store suddenly escalates into police brutality, high school classmates Rashad (who is African American) and Quinn (who is white) are linked and altered by the violence--Rashad as victim and Quinn as a witness. 316pgs


LEXILE: HL770L


## All the Light We Cannot See

By: Anthony Doerr (2014)
A blind French girl and a German boy's paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II. Deftly interweaving the lives of MarieLaure and Werner, he illuminates the ways, against all odds, people try to be good to one another. 531pgs
LEXILE: 880L O


## Animal Farm

By: George Orwell (1945)
A political satire in which the animals take over running the farm but find their Utopian state turning into a dictatorship. 113pgs
LEXILE: 1170L


## The Boy in <br> the Black Suit

By: Jason Reynolds (2015)
Soon after his mother's death, Matt takes a job at a funeral home in his tough Brooklyn neighborhood and, while attending and assisting with funerals, begins to accept her death and his responsibilities as a man. 255pgs


## As I Lay Dying:

The Corrected Text
By: William Faulkner (1990)
Describes a family's struggle to get their mother properly buried, while they encounter catastrophes of flood and fire, as well as the chaos of their feelings. 267pgs
LEXILE: 870L


## The Book Thief

By: Markus Zusak (2006)
Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel--a young German girl whose bookstealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors. 552pgs
LEXILE: 730L O 쿤

LEXILE: HL760L


## Butterfly Yellow

By: Thanhha Lai (2019)
In the final days of the Vietnam War, Hang takes her little brother, Linh, to the airport, determined to find a way to safety in America. In a split second, Linh is ripped from her arms--and Hang is left behind in the war-torn country. 284pgs
LEXILE: NA


## Candide

By: Voltaire (1759)
In the story of the trials and travails of the youthful Candide, his mentor Dr. Pangloss, and a host of other characters, Voltaire mercilessly satirizes and exposes romance, science, philosophy, religion, and government. 144pgs
LEXILE: NA


## Code of Honor

By: Alan Gratz (2015)
When Iranian American, Kamran Smith, learns that his big brother, Darius, has been labeled a terrorist, he sets out to piece together the codes and clues that will save his brother's life and his country from a deadly terrorist attack. 278pgs
LEXILE: HL660L

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## Dear Martin

By: Nic Stone (2017)
Justyce McAllister is a good kid, an honor student, and always there to help a friend--but none of that matters to the police officer who just put him in handcuffs. Despite leaving his rough neighborhood behind, he can't escape the scorn of his former peers or the ridicule of his new classmates. 224pgs
LEXILE: HL72OL


## Eleanor and Park <br> By: Rainbow Rowell (2016)

Set over one school year in 1986, this is the story of two star-crossed misfits--smart enough to know that first love seldom lasts, but brave and desperate enough to try. 366pgs
LEXILE: HL580L O B A M


## Every Moment After <br> By: Joseph Moldover (2019)

After high school graduation, best friends Matt and Cole strive to put behind them the school shooting they survived in first grade and begin to live. 364pgs
LEXILE: HLTOOL


## Fahrenheit 451

By: Ray Bradbury (1951)
A totalitarian regime has ordered all books to be destroyed, but one of the book burners, Guy Montag, suddenly realizes their merit. 159pgs 㗉 LEXILE: 890L


The Fault in Our Stars
By: John Green (2012)
Sixteen-year-old Hazel, a stage IV thyroid cancer patient, has accepted her terminal diagnosis until a chance meeting with a boy at cancer support group forces her to reexamine her perspective on love, loss, and life. 318pgs

LEXILE: 850L O


## Frankenstein

By: Mary Shelley (1818)
A monster assembled by a scientist from parts of dead bodies develops a mind of his own as he learns to loathe himself and hate his creator. 273pgs



## Gabi, a Girl in Pieces

By: Isabel Quintero
(2014)

Gabi wants a lot of things. She wishes she wasn't fat. She hopes her father wasn't addicted to meth. But in the middle of her whirling twirling world, the thing she unexpectedly finds is poetry. 284pgs
LEXILE: HL820L O


The Help<br>By: Kathryn Stockett (2016)

In Jackson, Mississippi, in 1962, some lines are not crossed. With the civil rights movement exploding all around them, three women start a campaign of their own, forever changing a town and the way women view one another. 640pgs
LEXILE: 730L


## The Great Gatsby

 By: F. Scott Fitzgerald (1925)Tells the tragic love story of Gatsby and Daisy Buchanan, a dashing, enigmatic millionaire obsessed with an elusive, spoiled young woman. 180pgs



## The Hate U Give By: Angie Thomas (2017)

After witnessing her friend's death at the hands of a police officer, Starr Carter's life is complicated when the police and a local drug lord try to intimidate her to learn what happened the night Kahlil died. 444pgs
LEXILE: HL590L O B


The House on Mango Street By: Sandra Cisneros (1984)
Esperanza is a young girl growing up in the Latino section of Chicago, not wanting to belong to her rundown neighborhood. Esperanza finds the power within herself to become who she wants to be.
110pgs
LEXILE: 870L



House of Purple Cedar
By: Tim Tingle (2014)
Skullyville, a once-thriving Choctaw community, was destroyed by landgrabbers, culminating in the arson on New Year's Eve, 1896, of New Hope Academy for Girls. Twenty Choctaw girls died, but Rose escaped. 326pgs
LEXILE: 860L O


## The Impossible Knife of Memory

By: Laurie Halse Anderson (2015)

Hayley Kincaid and her father move back to their hometown to try a 'normal' life, but the horrors he saw in the war threaten to destroy their lives. 391pgs
LEXILE: 720L

## Impossible Music

By: Sean Williams (2019)
Devastated by a stroke that causes him to lose his hearing, a teen musician resists transition therapy before a tough new friend challenges him to create a new music form that helps him better understand his relationship to the hearing world. 310pgs
LEXILE: HL82OL

## If Beale Street Could Talk

By: James Baldwin (1974)
Their love sustains a young African American couple in their struggle against injustice and racial oppression. 197pgs
LEXILE: NA EA


## If I Was Your Girl

By: Meredith Russo
(2018)

Amanda Hardy only wants to fit in at her new school, but she is keeping a big secret, so when she falls for Grant, guarded Amanda finds herself yearning to share with him everything about herself, including her previous life as Andrew. 313pgs
LEXILE: HL770L


## Jackpot

By: Nic Stone (2019)
When Rico sells a jackpot-winning lotto ticket, she thinks maybe her luck will finally change, but only if she and her popular and wildly wealthy classmate, Zan, can find the ticket holder who hasn't claimed the prize. 343pgs
LEXILE: HL670L


## The Joy Luck Club <br> By: Amy Tan (1990)

Presents the alternating stories of four Chinese women in pre-1949 China and their American-born daughters in California. 329pgs

## LEXILE: 930L



## Jubilee

By: Margaret Walker (1966)
The fortunes of a girl, first as a slave during the Civil War and then as a woman freed by the Emancipation Proclamation. 504pgs
LEXILE: 1090L


## The Marrow Thieves By: Cherie Dimaline (2017)

The indigenous people of North America are being hunted and harvested for their bone marrow, which carries the key to recovering something the rest of the population has lost: the ability to dream. 234pgs

LEXILE: HL590L


The Jungle<br>By: Upton Sinclair (1906)

Jurgis Rudkus, a Lithuanian immigrant, lured by appealing advertisements, comes to Chicago to make money in the stockyards, but the reality is different from what he expects. 475pgs
LEXILE: 1140L 三 © \& R


## Metamorphoses By: Ovid (NA)

Divided into 15 books dealing with the creation of the world, earth, its phenomena, and a host of Greek myths and legends, Ovid's book has ingrained itself into the collective mind of Western culture, sparking an infinite number of imitations and spin-off works to the present day. 367pgs
LEXILE: NA


## Little Brother

By: Cory Doctorow (2008)

Interrogated for days by the Department of Homeland Security in the aftermath of a major terrorist attack on San Francisco, Marcus is released into a police state and decides to use his expertise in computer hacking to set things right. 284pgs
LEXILE: HL820L


Miss E.
By: Brian Herberger (2016)
In 1967, Bets's life was in transitionher family moves to California, and her father goes to serve in the Vietnam War. All the while, Bets is faced with her conflicting feelings about the war her father is fighting in. 250pgs
LEXILE: 870L


Never Fall Down: A Boy
Soldier's Story of Survival By: Patricia McCormick (2012)

Cambodian child soldier Arn ChornPond defied the odds and used all of his courage and wits to survive the murderous regime of the Khmer Rouge. 216pgs
LEXILE: 710L O


## Of Mice and Men

By: John Steinbeck (1937)
The tragic story of two itinerant ranch hands on the run--one is the lifelong companion to the other, a developmentally disabled man. 107pgs
LEXILE: 630L \# R


The Old Man<br>and the Sea<br>By: Ernest Hemingway (2014)

Santiago is a Cuban fisherman who encounters a giant marlin in the Gulf Stream, and the battle for his catch becomes one of survival against a band of marauding sharks. 38pgs
LEXILE: GN940L


Orphan, Monster, Spy By: Matt Killeen (2019)

After her mother is shot at a checkpoint, Sarah, a Jewish teenager, agrees to help the resistance by posing as the daughter of a wealthy Nazi to gain access to the blueprints of a bomb that could destroy Western Europe. 423 pgs
LEXILE: HL670L


## Out of Darkness

By: Ashley Hope Perez (2015)
Loosely based on a school explosion that took place in New London, Texas, in 1937, this is the story of two teenagers: Naomi, who is Mexican, and Wash, who is black, and their dealings with race, segregation, love, and the forces that destroy people. 408pgs
LEXILE: HL660L O


## Patron Saints of Nothing

By: Randy Ribay (2020)
A compelling coming-of-age story about grief, guilt, and the risks a Filipino-American teenager takes to uncover the truth about his cousin's murder. 352pgs
LEXILE: 840L O


## The Poet X

By: Elizabeth Acevedo (2019)
Xiomara Batista feels unheard and unable to hide in her Harlem neighborhood. Ever since her body grew into curves, she has learned to let her fists and her fierceness do the talking. 348pgs LEXILE: HL800L O


## Red Badge of Courage

 By: Stephen Crane (2006)Henry Fleming, a young Union soldier, struggles with his conflicting emotions about violence, death, and the nature of bravery in this ironic, skeptical account of the Civil War. 88pgs
LEXILE: GN890L E P


## Salt to the Sea

By: Ruta Sepetys (2017)
As World War II draws to a close, refugees try to escape the war's final dangers, only to find themselves aboard a ship with a target on its hull. 418pgs
LEXILE: HL560L E


The Scarlet Letter By: Nathaniel Hawthorne (1850)
Classic tale about Hester, her lover, their child, and Hester's husband, and the effect of sin on the mind and spirit of these characters. 326pgs

LEXILE: NA ER


## The Secret Life of Bees

 By: Sue Monk Kidd (2002)After her "stand-in mother," a bold black woman named Rosaleen, insults the three biggest racists in town, Lily Owens joins Rosaleen on a journey to Tiburon, South Carolina, where they are taken in by three black, bee-keeping sisters. 302pgs

LEXILE: 840L


## Their Eyes Were Watching God

By: Zora Neale Hurston (1937)
When Janie Starks returns home, she seeks identity and independence as the small southern black community buzzes with gossip about the outcome of her affair with a younger man. 219pgs
LEXILE: 890L


## To Kill a Mockingbird

 By: Harper Lee (1960)In the South, defending a black man is a faux pax. The main character learns this lesson at a young age when her father defends a black man accused of a crime. 324pgs
LEXILE: 840L


## The Tortilla Curtain By: T.C. Boyle (2011)

The lives of two very different couples--wealthy Los Angeles liberals Delaney and Kyra Mossbacher, and Candido and America Rincon, a pair of undocumented Mexican immigrants--suddenly collide, in a story that unfolds from the shifting viewpoints of the various characters. 366pgs
LEXILE: 1210L


What I Carry<br>By: Jennifer Longo (2020)

In her final year in foster care, seventeen-year-old Muir tries to survive her senior year before aging out of the system. 322pgs

LEXILE: HL690L


## When You Ask Me Where I'm Going <br> By: Jasmin Kaur (2019)

The six sections of the book explore what it means to be a young woman living in a world that doesn't always hear her and tells the story of Kiran as she flees a history of trauma and raises her daughter, Sahaara, while living undocumented in North America. 244pgs
LEXILE: NA

## You Bring the Distant Near By: Mitali Perkins (1984)

From 1965 through the present, an Indian American family adjusts to life in New York City, alternately fending off and welcoming challenges to their traditions. 320pgs
LEXILE: HL72OL O



30 Activists Under 30 Who are Changing the World
By: Shirley R. Steinberg (2019)
This inspirational resource allows students to see how their peers are changing the world. 274pgs
LEXILE: NA


Accused!: The Trials of the Scottsboro Boys By: Larry Dane Brimner (2019)

This account tells the story of the Scottsboro Boys, nine African American teenagers who, when riding the rails during the Great Depression, found their lives destroyed after being falsely accused. 189pgs
LEXILE: NA


Americanized: Rebel Without a Green Card By: Sara Saedi (2019)
In San Jose, California, in the 1990s, teenage Sara keeps a diary of life as an Iranian American and her discovery that she and her family entered as undocumented immigrants. 291pgs
LEXILE: 1030L


## The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin By: Benjamin Franklin (1868)

Statesman Benjamin Franklin recalls his life, from his youth as a rebellious runaway apprentice to a successful leader, printer, journalist, social and political reformer, scientist, and philosopher. 136pgs
LEXILE: NA ©


## The Autobiography

 of Medgar Evers By: Medgar Wiley Evers (2005)Presents a collection of the papers, essays, and letters of Medgar Evers, a hero of the American civil rights movement who was murdered in 1963 by white supremacists. 352pgs
LEXILE: NA


## Black and White Airmen: Their True History

By: John Fleischman (2007)
Presents the true story of two men--one African American, the other white--who lived in the same Ohio neighborhood, went to the same school, joined the Army Air Corps in 1941, and finally became close friends nearly sixty years later. 160pgs
LEXILE: 1050L


Blacklisted!: Hollywood, the Cold War, and the First Amendment
By: Larry Dane Brimner (2018)
Highlights the experiences of nineteen men from the film industry who were called before the House of Representatives' Committee on Un-American Activities, all nineteen insisting that these trials violated their First Amendment rights. 171pgs
LEXILE: 1230L


## Boots on the Ground: America's War in Vietnam <br> By: Elizabeth Partridge (2018)

It provides the personal stories of an American nurse, six American soldiers, and one Vietnamese refugee to explore the history and ramifications of the Vietnam War. 213pgs
LEXILE: 960L


The Burning Tigris
By: Peter Balakian (2003)
Presents a study of the Armenian genocide, which began in the 1890s when Sultan Abdul Hamid II ordered the massacre of Armenians, and discusses the American response to the crisis and its implications for genocides in the twenty-first century. 528 pgs
Lexile: 1400L


## Claudette Colvin:

 Twice Toward Justice By: Phillip Hoose (2011)Because Claudette Colvin was considered too emotional to be the "face" of the bus boycott, the importance of Colvin's actions was lost. However, she later testified in a federal lawsuit that helped end discrimination on public transportation. 150pgs

LEXILE: 1000L O


## Code Girls

By: Liza Mundy (2019)
More than ten thousand women served as codebreakers during World War II, recruited by the U.S. Army and Navy. While their brothers and boyfriends took up arms, these women moved to the nation's capital to learn the top-secret art of code breaking. 320pgs
LEXILE: 1050L


The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America By: Richard Rothstein (2017)
Explores the history of America's housing policy, as well as the racial divide and discriminatory patterns that continue to this day. 368pgs
Lexile: NA O


Come On In, America: The United States in World War I
By: Linda Barrett Osborne (2017)

Explores why and how the United States joined World War I, and how it changed American history. 170pgs
LEXILE: 1100 C


## Dead Wake: <br> The Last Crossing of the Lusitania By: Erik Larson (2016)

Chronicles the last and fatal voyage of the Lusitania, moving between events on the luxury ocean liner as it returned to its homeport of Liverpool from New York City to those on the German submarine U-20. 452pgs
Lexile: 1190L


## The Disappearing Spoon

 By: Sam Kean (2002)Examines the stories behind the creation of the periodic table, focusing on the history of gold, carbon, silicon, and neon. 391pgs LEXILE: 1300L


## Dispatches From Pluto:

 Lost and Found in the Mississippi Delta By: Richard Grant (2015)Englishman Richard Grant writes about his first year of living in a home on the Mississippi Delta, describing life in the country, race relations in Mississippi, and how the Delta became home. 302pgs
LEXILE: NA O


Every Falling Star
By: Sungju Lee (2016)
The memoir of Sungju, who grew up in North Korea and, at the age of twelve, was forced to live on the streets after his parents disappeared. Finally, after years of being homeless and living with a gang, Sungju is reunited with his maternal grandparents and, eventually, his father. 328pgs
LEXILE: 880L


## Fake Politics

By: Jason Bisnoff (2019)
Tells the stories of how grassroots campaigns have transformed political activism into a veiled lobbying effort by the rich and the powerful like big tobacco, news media outlets, and the oil industry. 203pgs

LEXILE: NA


Fault Lines in the Constitution
By: Cynthia Levinson (2019)
It looks at the history of the writing of the United States Constitution, discussing that the nation is still suffering from the consequences of disputes and decisions made in 1787, as the new government was being created. 271pgs

LEXILE: 1120L


Freedom Summer By: Susan Goldman Rubin (2015)

Introduces the efforts of student volunteers who traveled to
Mississippi in 1964 to encourage African Americans to exercise their right to vote and discusses the violent resistance they faced from supporters of segregation. 120pgs
LEXILE: 980L


Getting Away With
Murder: The True Story of the Emmett Till Case By: Chris Crowe (2003)
Presents an accurate account of the murder of fourteen-year-old Emmett Till in Mississippi in 1955. 144pgs
LEXILE: 1210L


## The Grand Escape By: Neal Bascomb (2018)

Tells the true story of Allied soldiers in WWI who pulled off a daring escape from Germany's most notorious prison camp, Holzminden. Includes historical photographs and diagrams of the escape. 275pgs
LEXILE: 1070L


## Hey, Kiddo

By: Jarrett Krosoczka (2018)
Hey, Kiddo is a profoundly important memoir about growing up in a family grappling with addiction and finding the art that helps you survive. 294pgs
LEXILE: GN510L


## Hidden Figures

By: Margot Lee Shetterly

## (2016)

Long before John Glenn and Neil Armstrong, there was a group of black female mathematicians who were called "human computers," who used pencils, slide rules, and adding machines to find the numbers NASA needed to launch rockets, and later astronauts, into space! 231pgs
LEXILE: 1120L O \&


I Am Scout: The Biography of Harper Lee
By: Charles J. Shields (2015)
Harper Lee's life and achievements are explored through her Southern upbringing, education, family, writing "To Kill a Mockingbird," and her association with Truman Capote. 246pgs
LEXILE: 1120L


## I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings

By: Maya Angelou (1969)
Angelou chronicles her early life, in 1930s rural Arkansas, including her rape at the age of five, her years of muteness, and the strength she gained from her grandmother and Mrs. Bertha Flowers, a respected African American woman in her town. 304pgs
LEXILE: 1010L O O N


The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks By: Rebecca Skloot (2010)
Have you ever heard the term HeLa cells? This book illustrates how a poor Southern woman left a mark on science that changed the field of medicine forever. 310pgs
LEXILE: 1140L E S B A S


## Imprisoned

By: Martin Sandler (2013)
Examines the American internment of Japanese Americans and immigrants in concentration camps during World War II and the struggle of internees to rebuild their lives after they were freed at the end of the war. 176pgs
LEXILE: 1240L


## It's Trevor Noah: Born a Crime

By: Trevor Noah (2020)
Trevor Noah shares his remarkable story of growing up in South Africa with a black South African mother and a white European father at a time when it was against the law for a mixed-race child to exist. 294pgs

LEXILE: 780L


Just Mercy: Adapted for Young Adults By: Bryan Stevenson (2018)

Bryan Stevenson details from his personal experience his many challenges and efforts as a lawyer and social advocate, especially on behalf of America's most marginalized people. 277pgs
LEXILE: 1040L


## The Last Lecture

By: Randy Pausch (2008)
Computer science professor Randy Pausch, who has been diagnosed with terminal cancer, discusses how to overcome obstacles in one's life and achieve one's dreams. 206pgs

LEXILE: NA ER


Malcolm X: By Any
Means Necessary By: Walter Dean Myers (1993)
Traces the life of the controversial African American leader, describes his involvement with the Nation of Islam, and looks at his speeches and assassination. 210pgs
LEXILE: 1050L O


Modern HERstory : Stories of Women and Nonbinary People Rewriting History By: Blair Imani (2008)

An illustrated and informative primer on the progressive social change movements of the last 60 years as told through the stories of 60 diverse female and non-binary leaders in those movements, from the Civil Rights Movement and Stonewall riots through today. 195pgs
LEXILE: NA


## Native Son <br> By: Richard Wright (1940)

Trapped in the poverty-stricken ghetto of Chicago's South Side, a young African American man finds release only in acts of violence. 504pgs
LEXILE: 700L O


Elie Wiesel


## Night

By: Elie Wiesel (1956)
This autobiography depicts life as a Jewish teenager in concentration camps. Wiesel shares the horrifying experiences of the Holocaust and its effects on him. 115pgs
LEXILE: 590L O


THE LIFE AND TIMES OF
RUTH BADER GINSBURG
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One Person, No Vote:
How Not All Voters are Treated Equally By: Carol Anderson (2019)
Chronicles the rollbacks to African American participation in the vote since the 2013 Supreme Court decision that eviscerated the Voting Rights Act of 1965. 276pgs
LEXILE: NA


One Writer's Beginning By: Eudora Welty (1983)

The autobiography of the fiction writer Eudora Welty whose honors include the Pulitzer Prize and the American Book Award for fiction. 104pgs
LEXILE: 1130L


## The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women <br> By: Kate Moore (2017)

Explores the story of radium poisoning to young American women during WWI from the paint used on watch dials, and the ensuing legal consequences that occurred as a result of these work health hazards. 477pgs

LEXILE: 980L O SH


## Stuck in Neutral By: Terry Trueman (2000)

Fourteen-year-old Shawn McDaniel, who has severe cerebral palsy and cannot function, relates his perceptions of his life, his family, and his condition, especially as he believes his father is planning to kill him. 114pgs
LEXILE: 820L O E B


## Tell Them We Remember

By: Susan Bachrach (1994)
Presents the story of the Holocaust and shows how it affected the lives of innocent people throughout Europe, using print artifacts and taped histories from the collections of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. 109pgs
LEXILE: 1190L

## There Was a Country: A Memoir <br> By: Chinua Achebe (2013)

Chronicles the life of Chinua Achebe, a Nigerian author, and recounts his experiences of Nigeria's birth as a nation, his upbringing as a man and a writer, and his time as an ambassador during the Biafran War. 333pgs

LEXILE: NA


To Tell the Truth Freely: The Life of Ida B. Wells By: Mia Bay (2009)

Examines the life and legacy of women's rights advocate, antilynching crusader, and journalist Ida B. Wells, from her birth to slaves in Mississippi in 1862 to her death in Chicago in 1931. 374pgs

LEXILE: NA

## Undecided: Navigating Life and Learning After High School

By: Genevieve Morgan (2014)
Offers vocational guidance and activities to high school graduates who are undecided about a career path, discussing the various available options, including training programs, community college, military service, four-year universities, and gap years. 256pgs

LEXILE: 870L


Vote! Women's Fight for Access to the Ballot Box By: Coral Celeste Frazer (2020)

In this timely book, readers can see how the 70-year-long fight for women's suffrage was hard-won by leaders such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, and others. Learn how their success led to the civil rights and feminist movements of the mid- and late twentieth century. 120pgs

LEXILE: 1080L R


Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High By: Melba Beals (1994)
In this compelling autobiographical account by one of the Civil Rights Movement's most influential figures, Beals explores not only the power of racism but also the ideas of justice and identity. 312pgs


## Why We Can't Wait By: Martin Luther King, Jr. (1963)

An integral part of the Civil Rights Movement, Dr. King offers an analysis of the importance of the movement. 240pgs

LEXILE: 1200L

Write Your Way
In: Crafting an Unforgettable College Admissions Essay By: Rachel Toor (2017)
College-bound students will learn how to make their essays stand out from an experienced college admissions officer and writing teacher. 164pgs

LEXILE: NA

# appendix a THEMES \& PAIRINGS 

## MAIN THEME: Civil Rights

## SUB-THEME: Civil Rights in Mississippi

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Autobiography of Medgar Evers: A Hero's Life and Legacy Revealed Through His Writings, Letters, and Speeches By: Medgar Wiley Evers LEXILE: NA \\| 352pgs | 2005 | The Help* <br> By: Kathryn Stockett <br> LEXILE: 730L \| 640pgs | 2016 | Coming of Age in Mississippi* By: Anne Moody LEXILE: 870L\| 424pgs | 1968 <br> Freedom Summer: The 1964 Struggle for Civil Rights in Mississippi* <br> By: Susan Goldman Rubin LEXILE: 870L। 424pgs \| 1968 |
| SUB-THEME: Civil Rights Leaders |  |  |
| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice <br> By: Phillip Hoose <br> LEXILE: 1000L \| 150pgs | 2011 <br> NOTE: Connects to Mississippi <br> Exemplar Units and Lessons: <br> English Language Arts- English I |  | A Voice That Could Stir an Army: Fannie Lou Hamer and the Rhetoric of the Black Freedom Movement <br> By: Maegan Parker Brooks LEXILE: NA \| 314pgs | 2014 <br> Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High* <br> By: Melba Beals <br> LEXILE: 1000L \| 312pgs | 1994 |
| Hidden Figures: The Untold Story of Four AfricanAmerican Women Who Helped Launch Our Nation Into Space <br> By: Margot Lee Shetterly <br> LEXILE: 1120L \| 231pgs | 2016 |  | Rise of the Rocket Girls <br> By: Nathalia Holt <br> LEXILE: 1040L \| 338pgs | 2016 |
| Why We Can't Wait By: Martin Luther King, Jr. LEXILE: 1200L \| 240pgs | 1963 | Five Smooth Stones <br> By: Ann Fairbaim <br> LEXILE: NA \\| 756pgs | 2009 | A Letter From Birmingham Jail By: Martin Luther King, Jr. LEXILE: NA \\| 59pgs \| 1990 <br> Malcolm X: By Any Means Necessary* <br> By: Walter Dean Myers LEXILE: 1050L \| 210pgs | 1993 |

SUB-THEME: Civil Rights in Action

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| If Beale Street Could Talk By: James Baldwin LEXILE: NA \| 197pgs | 1974 | If You Come Softly By: Jacqueline Woodson LEXILE: NA \| 181pgs | 2018 <br> Out of Darkness* <br> By: Ashley Hope Perez <br> LEXILE: HL660L \| 408pgs | 2015 |  |
| To Kill a Mockingbird <br> By: Harper Lee LEXILE: 870L \| 324pgs | 1960 | I Kill the Mockingbird <br> By: Paul Acampora <br> LEXILE: 640L \| 166pgs | 2015 <br> The Pecan Man* <br> By: Cassie Danridge <br> LEXILE: NA \\| 144pgs | 2012 <br> Small Great Things <br> By: Jodi Picoult <br> LEXILE: HL800L \| 514pgs | 2017 <br> A Time to Kill <br> By: John Grisham <br> LEXILE: 770L \\| 515pgs | 1992 |  |

## MAIN THEME: College- and Career-Readiness

SUB-THEME: Making a Difference

## ANCHOR TEXT

30 Activists Under 30 Who
Are Changing the World
By: Shirley R. Steinberg
LEXILE: NA | 274pgs | 2019

FICTION PAIRINGS

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

Be a Changemaker: How to Start Something That Matters
By: Laurie Ann Thompson
LEXILE: 1130L | 230pgs | 2014
The Last Lecture*
By: Randy Pausch
LEXILE: NA | 206pgs | 2008
The Playbook: 52 Rules to Aim, Shoot, and Score in This Game Called Life
By: Kwame Alexander
LEXILE: 970L | 169pgs | 2017

SUB-THEME: Life After High School

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Undecided: Navigating Life and Learning After High School <br> By: Genevieve Morgan LEXILE: NA \| 256pgs \| 2014 |  | It's the Student, Not the College: The Secrets of Succeeding at any School without Going Broke or Crazy <br> By: Kristin White LEXILE: NA \| 261pgs | 2015 |
| Writer Your Way In: Crafting an Unforgettable College Admissions Essay By: Rachel Toor LEXILE: NA \| 164pgs | 2017 |  | Beyond Texting: The Fine Art of Face-to-Face Communications for Teenagers <br> By: Debra Fine LEXILE: NA \| 136pgs | 2014 <br> Thank You for Coming to My TED Talk: A Teen Guide to Public Speaking <br> By: Chris Anderson <br> LEXILE: 990L \| 152pgs | 2020 |

## MAIN THEME: Contemporary African American Equality

## ANCHOR TEXT

## FICTION PAIRINGS

NONFICTION PAIRINGS

## All American Boys

By: Jason Boys
LEXILE: HL770L | 316pgs | 2015

Dear Martin*
By: Nic Stone
LEXILE: HL720L | 224pgs | 2017

## Between the Lines

By: Nikki Grimes
LEXILE: HL630L। 153pgs | 2008

Just Mercy: Adapted for Young Adults: A True Story of the Fight for Justice*
By: Bryan Stevenson
LEXILE: 1040L | 277pgs | 2018

## MAIN THEME: Coping with Grief and Loss

SUB-THEME: Coping with the Loss of a Parent

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| As I Lay Dying: The Corrected Text <br> By: William Faulkner LEXILE: 870L \| 267pgs | 1990 | Dig <br> By: A.S. King LEXILE: NA \| 392pgs \| 2019 <br> Don't Forget Me <br> By: Victoria Stevens <br> LEXILE: 720L \| 360pgs | 2019 <br> Ostrich Boys <br> By: Keith Gray <br> LEXILE: 630L \| 295pgs | 2011 | Corpses, Coffins, and Crypts By: Penny Colman LEXILE: 1190 \| 195pgs | 2015 <br> Depression Era: A Historical Exploration of Literature By: Aaron Barlow LEXILE: NA \| 208pgs | 2016 |
| The Boy in the Black Suit By: Jason Reynolds LEXILE: HL760L \| 255pgs | 2015 | Clap When You Land <br> By: Elizabeth Acevedo <br> LEXILE: NA \| 304pgs | 2020 <br> How to Make Friends With the Dark <br> By: Kathleen Glasgow <br> LEXILE: HL690L I 420pgs I 2019 <br> A Raisin in the Sun <br> By: Lorraine Hansberry <br> LEXILE: NA \| 151pgs | 1959 |  |
| SUB-THEME: Coping with the Loss of a Friend |  |  |
| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| The Fault in Our Stars By: John Green LEXILE: 850L \| 318pgs | 2012 | Dancing at the Pity Party <br> By: Tyler Feder <br> LEXILE: NA \| 208pgs | 2020 <br> Everything Everything <br> By: Nicola Yoon <br> LEXILE: HL610L \\| 310pgs \| 2015 |  |

MAIN THEME: Crime and Justice

## SUB-THEME: True Crimes

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS |
| :--- | :--- |
| The 57 Bus: A True Story <br> of Two Teenagers That <br> Changed Their Lives <br> By: Dashka Slater <br> LEXILE: 930L \| 305pgs | 2017 | Native Son* <br> By: Richard Wright |
|  | LEXILE: 700L \| 504pgs | 1940 <br> By: Jesmyn Ward |
|  | LEXILE: 840L \| 289pgs | 2018 |

## In Cold Blood

By: Truman Capote
LEXILE: 1040L | 384pgs | 1965
18 Tiny Deaths: The Untold Story of Frances Glessner Lee and the Invention of Modern Forensics By: Bruce Goldfarb LEXILE: NA I 351pgs | 2020

## SUB-THEME: Teen Violence

## ANCHOR TEXT

We Say \#NeverAgain:
Reporting by the Parkland
Student Journalists
Published By: Crown Publisher
LEXILE: 1100L | 260pgs | 2018

## FICTION PAIRINGS

Every Moment After*
By: Joseph Moldover
LEXILE: HL700L | 364pgs | 2019
How it Feels to Float
By: Helena Fox
LEXILE: HL630L | 379pgs | 2019

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

Glimmer of Hope: How Tragedy Sparked a Movement
Published By: Razorbill/Dutton LEXILE: 990L | 218pgs | 2018

## MAIN THEME: Emigration/Immigration

SUB-THEME: Asian American

## ANCHOR TEXT

## Butterfly Yellow

By: Thanhha Lai
LEXILE: NA | 284pgs | 2019

## FICTION PAIRINGS

## Cold White Sun

By: Sue Farreel Holler
LEXILE: HL620L | 287pgs | 2019

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

## Almost American Girl: An Illustrated Memoir

By: Robin Ha
LEXILE: NA | 227pgs | 2020

## SUB-THEME: Latino American

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: |
| How the Garcia Girls Lost <br> Their Accents <br> By: Julia Alvarez <br> LEXILE: 950L \| 286pgs | 1991 | Dominicana <br> By: Angie Cruz <br> LEXILE: NA \| 322pgs | 2019 |
| The Poet X <br> By: Elizabeth Acevedo <br> LEXILE: HL800L \\| 348pgs | 2019 | Sanctuary Somewhere <br> By: Brenna Dimming <br> LEXILE: 630L \| 190pgs | 2019 <br> When You Ask Me Where I'm Going* <br> By: Jasmin Kaur <br> LEXILE: NA \| 244pgs | 2019 <br> With a Star in My Hand: Ruben <br> Dario, Poetry Hero <br> Published By: Antheneum <br> LEXILE: NP \| 144pgs | 2020 |

## SUB-THEME: Middle Eastern American <br> SUB-THEME: Middle Eastern American

## ANCHOR TEXT

FICTION PAIRINGS

Americanized: Rebel
Without a Green Card
By: Sara Saedi
LEXILE: 1030L | 291pgs | 2019

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

In the Country We Love: My
Family Divided*
By: Diane Guerrero
LEXILE: HL780L | 261pgs | 2017

## The Poet X

By: Elizabeth Acevedo
LEXILE: HL800L | 348pgs | 2019

Sanctuary Somewhere
By: Brenna Dimming
LEXILE: 630L | 190pgs | 2019

When You Ask Me Where I'm
Going*
By: Jasmin Kaur
LEXILE: NA | 244pgs | 2019
With a Star in My Hand: Ruben
Dario, Poetry Hero
Published By: Antheneum
LEXILE: NP | 144pgs | 2020

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

A Country Called Amreeka: US History Retold Through Arab American Lives
By: Alia Malek
LEXILE: NA | 305pgs | 2009
Outcasts United: The Story of a Refugee Soccer Team That Changed a Town
By: Warren St. John
LEXILE: 980L | 226pgs | 2013

## MAIN THEME: Family Structure

SUB-THEME: Growing up in a Non-Traditional Family

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Secret Life of Bees <br> By: Sue Monk Kidd <br> LEXILE: 840L \| 302pgs | 2002 | Hey Kiddo* <br> By: Jarrett Krosoczka LEXILE: GN510L \\| 294pgs \| 2018 |  |
| What I Carry <br> By: Jennifer Longo <br> LEXILE: HL690L \\| 322pgs | 2020 | Fostergirls <br> By: Liane Shaw <br> LEXILE: NA \\| 256pgs \| 2011 <br> Waiting for Still Water <br> By: Susan White <br> LEXILE: NA \| 241pgs | 2016 |  |
| SUB-THEME: Growing Up in a Mixed Race Family |  |  |
| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| It's Trevor Noah: Born a <br> Crime: Stories From a South <br> African Childhood <br> By: Trevor Noah <br> LEXILE: 780L \| 294pgs | 2020 | Patron Saints of Nothing* <br> By: Randy Ribay <br> LEXILE: 840L \| 352pgs | 2020 <br> Red at the Bone <br> By: Jacqueline Woodson <br> LEXILE: NA \\| 196pgs \| 2019 | The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother <br> By: James McBride <br> LEXILE: 1140L \| 295pgs | 1995 <br> Master Harold and the Boys <br> By: Athol Fugard <br> LEXILE: NA \| 260pgs \| 1982 |

SUB-THEME: Growing Up in a Different Culture

ANCHOR TEXT
The Joy Luck Club
By: Amy Tan
LEXILE: 930L | 329pgs | 1990

FICTION PAIRINGS
The Astonishing Color of After
By: Emily X.R. Pan
LEXILE: HL670L | 470pgs | 2019

Darius the Great Is Not Okay
By: Adib Khorram
LEXILE: HL710L | 321pgs | 2019

You Bring the Distant Near
By: Mitali Perkins
LEXILE: HL720L | 320pgs | 2017

In the Key of Nira Ghani
By: Natasha Deen
LEXILE: NA | 298pgs | 2019
The Love and Lies of Rukhsana Ali
By: Sabina Khan
LEXILE: 690L | 326pgs | 2019

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

## MAIN THEME: Government and Civics

## SUB-THEME: Trailblazers

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin By: Benjamin Franklin LEXILE: NA \| 136pgs | 1868 |  | Alexander Hamilton: The Making of America <br> By: Teri Kanefield <br> LEXILE: 1170L \| 203pgs | 2017 |
| Notorious RBG: The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsburg By: Irin Carmon LEXILE: 1030L \| 199pgs | 2015 |  | Our Stories, Our Voices: 21 YA Authors Get Real About Injustice, Empowerment, and Growing Up Female in America Published By: Simon Pulse LEXILE: NA \| 288pgs | 2018 |
| SUB-THEME: Constitution |  |  |
| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| Accused!: The Trials of the Scottsboro Boys: Lies, Prejudice, and the Fourteenth Amendment By: Larry Dane Brimner LEXILE: NA \| 189pgs | 2019 |  | The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America* <br> By: Richard Rothstein <br> LEXILE: NA \| 368pgs | 2017 |
| Fault Lines in the Constitution: The Framers, Their Fights, and the Flaws That Affect Us Today By: Cynthia Levinson LEXILE: 1120L \| 271pgs | 2019 |  | The Great American Documents By: Ruth Ashby <br> LEXILE: NA \| 151pgs | 2014 <br> Let Me Play: The Story of Title IX: The Law That Changed the Future of Girls in America <br> By: Karen Blumenthal <br> LEXILE: 1140L \| 152pgs | 2005 |
| Blacklisted!: Hollywood, the Cold War, and the First Amendment By: Larry Dane Brimner LEXILE: 1230L \| 171pgs | 2018 | The Crucible <br> By: Arthur Miller <br> LEXILE: NA \| 142pgs | 1952 <br> Fahrenheit 451* <br> By: Ray Bradbury <br> LEXILE: 890L \| 159pgs | 1951 |  |

## SUB-THEME: Digital Citizenship

| ANCHOR TEXT |
| :--- |
| Little Brother |
| By: Cory Doctorow |
| LEXILE: 900L \| 382pgs | 2008 |

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

Surveillance and Your Right to Privacy
By: Cathleen Smith
LEXILE: NA | 112pgs | 2018

SUB-THEME: Politics and the Media
ANCHOR TEXT
Fake Politics: How
Corporate and Government
Groups Create and Maintain
a IMonopoly on Truth
By: Jason Bisnoff
LEXILE: NA | 203pgs | 2019

SUB-THEME: Political Satire

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Animal Farm | Brave New World |  |
| By: George Orwell | By: Aldous Huxley |  |
| LEXILE: 1170L \| 113pgs | 1945 | LEXILE: NA \| 259pgs | 1932 |  |

SUB-THEME: Social Issues

## ANCHOR TEXT

The Jungle
By: Upton Sinclair
LEXILE: 1170L | 475pgs | 1906

## FICTION PAIRINGS



Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All-American Meal
By: Eric Schlosser
LEXILE: 1240L | 384pgs | 2012

Food: The New Gold
By: Kathlyn Gay
LEXILE: 1150L | 192pgs | 2013
Poisoned Water: How the Citizens of Flint, Michigan Fought By: Candy J. Cooper
LEXILE: NA | 304pgs | 2020

SUB-THEME: Voting Rights

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| One Person, No Vote: How Not All Voters Are Treated Equally <br> By: Carol Anderson <br> LEXILE: NA \| 276pgs | 2019 | The Voting Booth By: Brandy Colbert LEXILE: NA \| 304pgs | 2020 | Drawing the Vote: An Illustrated Guide to Voting in America <br> Published By: Abrams Comicarts <br> LEXILE: NA I 208pgs \| 2020 <br> Stolen Justice: The Struggle for African Americans Voting Rights <br> By: Lawrence Goldstone <br> LEXILE: NA \| 257pgs | 2020 <br> Votes of Confidence: <br> A Young Person's Guide to American Elections <br> By: Jeff Fleischer <br> LEXILE: 1310L\| 255pgs | 2020 <br> You Call This Democracy?: How to Fix Our Government and Deliver Power to the People <br> By: Elizabeth Rusch <br> LEXILE: 1140L \| 253pgs | 2020 |
| Vote! Women's Fight for Access to the Ballot Box By: Carol Celeste Frazer LEXILE: 1080L \| 120pgs | 2020 |  | Give Us the Vote!: Over Two Hundred Years of Fighting for the Ballot <br> By: Susan Goldman Rubin <br> LEXILE: NA \| 124pgs | 2020 <br> Roses and Radicals: The Epic <br> Story of How American Women <br> Won the Right to Vote <br> By: Susan Zimet <br> LEXILE: 1090L \| 162pgs | 2020 |

## MAIN THEME: Historical Event or Time Period

## SUB-THEME: Puritans

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Scarlet Letter | The Minister's Daughter |  |
| By: Nathaniel Hawthorne | By: Julie Hearn |  |
| LEXILE: NA \| 136pgs | 1868 | LEXILE: 860L\| 236pgs | 2005 |  |
|  | Wicked Girls: A Novel of the |  |
|  | Salem Witch Trials |  |
|  | By: Stephanie Hemphill |  |
|  | LEXILE: 700L \| 408pgs | 2013 |  |

SUB-THEME: Westward Expansion and Native Americans
ANCHOR TEXT
An Indigenous Peoples"
History of the United States
for Young People
By: Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz
LEXILE: 1220L | 270pgs | 2019
SUB-THEME: The Civil War

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jubilee <br> By: Margaret Walker <br> LEXILE: 1090L \| 504pgs | 1966 | The Red Badge of Courage* <br> By: Stephen Crane <br> LEXILE: GN890L \\| 88pgs | 2010 | Midnight Rising <br> By: Tony Horowitz <br> LEXILE: 1200L \| 284pgs | 2012 <br> Shiloh <br> By: Shelby Foote <br> LEXILE: NA \\| 226pgs \| 1952 |
| SUB-THEME: The Roaring 1920s |  |  |
| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| The Great Gatsby <br> By: F. Scott Fitzgerald LEXILE: 1010L \| 180pgs | 1925 | The Summer Prince <br> By: Alaya Dawn Johnson LEXILE: 780L \| 289pgs | 2013 | Gatsby: The Cultural History of the Great American Novel By: Bob Batchelor LEXILE: NA \| 299pgs | 2013 |

## MAIN THEME: Overcoming Adversity

SUB-THEME: Stories of Self Identity or Belonging

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Candide <br> By: Voltaire <br> LEXILE: NA \| 144pgs | 1759 | The Lie Tree <br> By: Frances Hardinge LEXILE: 860L \| 377pgs | 2016 |  |
| Frankenstein <br> By: Mary Shelley <br> LEXILE: 1040L \| 243pgs | 1818 |  | Mary's Monster: Love, Madness, and How Mary Shelley Created Frankenstein <br> By: Lita Judge <br> LEXILE: 1070L \| 312pgs | 2018 <br> The Strange True Tale of Frankenstein's Creator Mary Shelley <br> By: Catherine Reef <br> LEXILE: 1010L \| 212pgs | 2018 |


| The House on Mango Street By: Sandra Cisneros LEXILE: 870L \| 110pgs | 1984 | Gabi, a Girl in Pieces* <br> By: Isabel Quintero <br> LEXILE: HL82OL I 284pgs \| 2014 <br> The New David Espinoza* <br> By: Fred Aceves <br> LEXILE: NA \| 323pgs | 2020 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| If I Was Your Girl <br> By: Meredith Russo LEXILE: HL770L \| 313pgs | 2018 | Eleanor and Park* <br> By: Rainbow Rowell LEXILE: HL58OL \| 336pgs | 2016 <br> Love and Other Curses By: Michael Thomas Ford LEXILE: NA \\| 345pgs \| 2019 |  |
| Metamorphoses <br> By: Ovid <br> LEXILE: NA \\| 367pgs | NA | Lovely War <br> By: Julie Berry <br> LEXILE: 850L \| 468pgs | 2020 <br> Julius Caesar <br> By: William Shakespeare <br> LEXILE: NA \| 345pgs | 2019 <br> Pygmalion <br> By: George Bernard Shaw <br> LEXILE: NA \| 240pgs | 1916 | Feathered Serpent, Dark Heart of <br> Sky: Myths of Mexico <br> By: David Bowles <br> LEXILE: 1010L \| 300pgs | 2018 <br> The Iliad <br> By: Gareth Hinds <br> LEXILE: GN910L \| 246pgs | 2019 <br> Mythology <br> By: Edith Hamilton <br> LEXILE: NA \| 495pgs | 1942 |

## SUB-THEME: Stories of Survival

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Beowulf <br> By: NA <br> LEXILE: NA \| 165pgs | NA | Grendel's Guide to Love and War By: A.E. Kaplan <br> LEXILE: HL700L \| 312pgs | 2017 |  |
| Children of Blood and Bone <br> By: Tomi Adeyemi <br> LEXILE: HL670L \\| 531pgs | 2018 | Girl in the Blue Coat <br> By: Monica Hesse LEXILE: 720L \| 301pgs | 2017 <br> Tamar <br> By: Mal Peet <br> LEXILE: 780L \| 424pgs | 2008 |  |
| Lord of the Flies By: William Golding LEXILE: 770L \| 182pgs | 1954 | The Lottery <br> By: Shirley Jackson <br> LEXILE: NA \| 306pgs | 1943 <br> NOTE: Connects to Mississippi Exemplar Units and Lessons: English Language Arts- English I |  |
| The Old Man and the Sea By: Ernest Hemingway LEXILE: GN940L I 38pgs \\| 2014 | Dreaming in Cuba By: Cristina Garcia LEXILE: 940LI 245pgs \| 1992 |  |
| I Know Why the Caged <br> Bird Sings <br> By: Maya Angelou <br> LEXILE: 1010L \| 304pgs | 1969 |  | Gather Together in My Name By: Maya Angelou LEXILE: 800LI 214pgs \| 1974 |

## MAIN THEME: Living with Disabilities

## SUB-THEME: Mental Health

## ANCHOR TEXT

Challenger Deep
By: Neal Shusterman
LEXILE: HL800L | 208pgs | 2016

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| The Impossible Knife <br> of Memory <br> By: Laurie Halse Anderson <br> LEXILE: HL720L \| 391pgs | 2015 |

## FICTION PAIRINGS

The Glass Menagerie
By: Tennessee Williams
LEXILE: NA | 128pgs | 1945
This Is My Brain in Love
By: I.W. Gregorio
LEXILE: NA | 384pgs | 2020

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

(Don't) Call Me Crazy: 33 Voices
Start the Conversation About
Mental Health
Published By: Algonquin Young
Readers
LEXILE: NA| 225pgs | 2018

Heads Up: Changing Minds on Mental Health
By: Melanie Siebert
LEXILE: NA | 185pgs | 2020

SUB-THEME: Physical Handicaps

## ANCHOR TEXT

## FICTION PAIRINGS

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

## Impossible Music

By: Sean Williams
LEXILE: HL820L | 310pgs | 2019

No Man's Land
By: S.T. Underdahl
LEXILE: NA \| 274pgs \| 2012

The Silence Between Us
By: Alison Gervais
LEXILE: 940L | 317pgs | 2019
You're Welcome, Universe
By: Whitney Gardner
LEXILE: HL610L | 297pgs | 2018
Laughing at My Nightmare
By: Shane Burcaw
LEXILE: 1110 | 250 pgs | 2014

## Stuck in Neutral*

By: Terry Trueman
LEXILE: 820L | 114pgs | 2000

| No True Belivers | Love From A to Z |
| :--- | :--- |
| By: Rabiah York Lumbard | By: S.K. Ali |
| LEXILE: HL620L \| 294pgs | 2020 | LEXILE: HL740L \| 324pgs | 2019 |

## SUB-THEME: Substance Abuse

ANCHOR TEXT
Dead Inside: A True Story
By: Cyndy Etler
LEXILE: HL640L | 289pgs | 2018

FICTION PAIRINGS

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

## Teens Talk About Drugs and Alcohol

Published By: Rosen Publishing LEXILE: NA | 64pgs | 2018

## MAIN THEME: Science - Fact or Fiction?

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charles and Emma: The Darwin's Leap of Faith By: Deborah Heiligman LEXILE: 1020L \| 268pgs | 2009 |  | The Tree of Life: A Book Depicting the life of Charles Darwin, Naturalist, Geologist, and Thinker <br> By: Peter Sis <br> LEXILE: 950L \| 32pgs | 2016 |
| The Disappearing Spoon: and Other True Tales of Madness, Love, and the History of the World From the Periodic Table of the Elements <br> By: Sam Kean <br> LEXILE: 1300L \| 391pgs | 2010 |  | Marie Curie and Her Daughters: The Private Lives of Science's First Family By: Shelley Emling LEXILE: NA \| 219pgs | 2013 <br> Magnificent Minds: <br> Sixteen Remarkable Women of <br> Science and Medicine <br> By: Pendred Noyce <br> LEXILE: 1160L \| 140pgs | 2016 <br> The Radium Girls* <br> By: Kate Moore <br> LEXILE: 980L \| 477pgs | 2017 |
| The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks By: Rebecca Skloot LEXILE: 1140L \| 310pgs | 2010 |  | The Huma Genome Mapping the Blueprint Human Life <br> By: Carla Mooney <br> LEXILE: 1110L \| 119pgs | 2020 <br> Rosalind Franklin: <br> The Dark Lady of DNA <br> By: Brenda Maddox <br> LEXILE: NA \| 380pgs | 2003 |
| The Marrow Thieves By: Cherie Dimaline LEXILE: HL810L। 234pgs \| 2017 | Sold <br> By: Patricia McCormick LEXILE: 820L \\| 263pgs \| 2006 |  |

## MAIN THEME: Social Classes

| ANCHOR TEXT | FICTION PAIRINGS | NONFICTION PAIRINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Canterbury Tales By: Geoffrey Chaucer LEXILE: NA \| 504pgs | NA | Anna and the Swallow Man By: Gavriel Savit <br> LEXILE: 1160L \| 232pgs | 2017 |  |
| Jackpot <br> By: Nic Stone LEXILE: HL670L \| 343pgs | 2019 | When the Ground is Hard By: Malla Nunn <br> LEXILE: 830L \\| 257pgs | 2019 |  |
| Of Mice and Men By: John Steinbeck LEXILE: 630L \| 107pgs | 1937 |  | Taking Hold: From Migrant Childhood to Columbia University <br> By: Francisco Jimenez <br> LEXILE: 1060L \| 191pgs | 2016 <br> Undocument: A Worker's Fight <br> By: Duncan Tonatiuh <br> LEXILE: NA \| 26pgs | 2018 |
| The Tortilla Curtain By: T.C. Boyle LEXILE: 1210L \\| 366pgs \| 2011 |  | Same Kind of Different as Me* <br> By: Ron Hall, Denver Moore, Lynn Vincent <br> LEXILE: 1010L \| 245pgs | 2006 |
| Pride and Prejudice <br> By: Jane Austen <br> LEXILE: 1070L \| 434pgs | 1831 | A Doll's House <br> By: Henrik Ibsen <br> LEXILE: NA I 88pgs \\| 1879 <br> Pride* <br> By: Ibi Aaun Zoboi <br> LEXILE: HL760L \| 304pgs | 2018 <br> Romeo and Juliet <br> By: William Shakespeare <br> LEXILE: NA \| 150pgs | 1597 | The Firefly Letters: A Suffragette's Journey to Cuba By: Margarita Engle LEXILE: NC1230L \\| 151pgs | 2017 |

## MAIN THEME: Women Leaders

## ANCHOR TEXT

A Cave in the Clouds:
A Young Woman's Escape
From ISIS
By: Badeeah Hassan Ahmed LEXILE: HL750L | 234pgs | 2019

## FICTION PAIRINGS

## NONFICTION PAIRINGS

## My Book of Life

By: Angel Martine Leavitt
LEXILE: 990L | 246pgs \| 2014

Lucky One
By: Lori Rader-Day
LEXILE: NA | 386pgs | 2020

| One Writer's Beginnings <br> By: Eudora Welty <br> LEXILE: 1130L \| 104pgs | 1983 |  | I am Scout: The Biography of Harper Lee* <br> By: Charles J. Shields LEXILE: 1120L \| 246pgs | 2015 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Modern HERstory: Stories of Women and Nonbinary People Rewriting History By: John Steinbeck LEXILE: 630L \| 107pgs | 1937 | Watch Us Rise* <br> By: Renee Watson LEXILE: HL800L। 360pgs \| 2020 | Brazen: Rebel Ladies Who <br> Rocked the World <br> By: Penelope Bagieu <br> LEXILE: GN770L \| 291pgs | 2018 <br> Wonder Women <br> By: Sam Maggs <br> LEXILE: NA \| 238pgs | 2016 |
| Their Eyes Were Watching God By: Zora Neale Hurston LEXILE: 890L। 219pgs \| 1937 | A Girl Like That <br> By: Tanaz Bhathena LEXILE: 890L \| 378pgs | 2018 <br> Between Sisters <br> By: Adwoa Badoe <br> LEXILE: 690L \| 205pgs | 2010 |  |
| To Tell the Truth Freely: The Life of Ida B. Wells By: Mia Bay LEXILE: NA \\| 374pgs | 2009 <br> NOTE: Connects to Mississippi Exemplar Units and Lessons: English Language Arts- English I |  | Ida B. Wells-Barnett: <br> Suffragette and Social Activist <br> By: Naomi E. Jones <br> LEXILE: NAI 128pgs \| 2020 |

MAIN THEME: World at War

ANCHOR TEXT
Code of Honor
By: Alan Gratz
LEXILE: HL660L \| 278pgs | 2015

FICTION PAIRINGS
Internment*
By: Samira Ahmed
LEXILE: NA | 389pgs | 2020

A Long Way Gone: Memoirs
of a Boy Solider
By: Ishmael Beah
LEXILE: 920L | 229pgs | 2007

## Every Falling Star: The True Story of How I Survived and Escaped North Korea*

By: Sungju Lee
LEXILE: 880L | 328pgs | 2016
How Dare the Sun Rise: Memoirs of a War Child
By: Sandra Uwiringiyimana
LEXILE: HL790L | 288pgs | 2017
There Was a Country: A Memoir* By: Chinua Achebe
LEXILE: NA | 333pgs | 2013
Things Fall Apart
By: Chinua Achebe LEXILE: 890L | 181pgs | 1992

## SUB-THEME: Vietnam War

## ANCHOR TEXT

Boots on the Ground:
America's War in Vietnam
By: Elizabeth Partridge
LEXILE: 960L | 213pgs | 2018

## FICTION PAIRINGS

Miss E.*
By: Brian Herberger
LEXILE: 1020L | 250pgs | 2016
Never Fall Down: A Boy Soldier's
Story of Survival*
By: Patricia McCormick
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