



Matching Readers with Text

**1340L *Silent Spring* CARSON**

The basic element, carbon, is one whose atoms have an almost infinite capacity for uniting with each other in chains and rings and various other configurations, and for becoming linked with atoms of other substances. Indeed, the incredible diversity of living creatures from bacteria to the great blue whale is largely due to this capacity of carbon. The complex protein molecule has the carbon atom as its basis, as have molecules of fat, carbohydrates, enzymes, and vitamins. So, too, have enormous numbers of nonliving things, for carbon is not necessarily a symbol of life.

**900L *We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball* NELSON**

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

**330L *Seals* ARNOLD**

Earless seals live in oceans. Thick blubber keeps seals warm. A seal's back flippers help it swim fast. A seal on land is slow. Its claws dig into rocks and ice. Many seals have dark brown or gray fur. Some have spots. Seals molt every year.

TEXT LEXILE RANGES TO GUIDE READING FOR COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS	
GRADES	LEXILE TEXT RANGE
11–12	1185L–1385L
9–10	1050L–1335L
6–8	925L–1185L
4–5	740–1010L
2–3	420L–820L
1	190L–530L

\* GN DENOTES GRAPHIC NOVEL  
IG DENOTES ILLUSTRATED GUIDE

**Sample Titles**

LITERATURE TITLES

- 1500L+** 1640L *The Plot Against America* (ROTH)  
1530L *The Good Earth* (BUCK)  
1520L *A Fable* (FAULKNER)
- 1400L** 1460L *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* (IRVING)  
1450L *Billy Budd* (MELVILLE)  
1420L *The Life All Around Me by Ellen Foster* (GIBBONS)  
1420L *The Fall of the House of Usher* (POE)  
1410L *Death in Venice* (MANN)
- 1300L** 1390L *The Yellow Wallpaper* (GILMAN)  
1350L *The Secret Sharer* (CONRAD)  
1330L *The Jungle* (SINCLAIR)  
1330L *Silas Marner* (ELIOT)  
1330L *Gulliver's Travels* (SWIFT)
- 1200L** 1290L *An Old-Fashioned Girl* (ALCOTT)  
1280L *The House of the Spirits* (ALLENDE)  
1280L *The Castle* (KAFKA)  
1220L *The Silent Cry* (ŌE)  
1210L *Chronicle of a Death Foretold* (GARCÍA MÁRQUEZ)
- 1100L** 1180L *Sense and Sensibility* (AUSTEN)  
1170L *The Amazing Adventure of Kavalier & Clay* (CHABON)  
1150L *Great Expectations* (DICKENS)  
1150L *A Room of One's Own* (WOOLF)  
1130L *Democracy* (DIDION)
- 1000L** 1080L *I Heard the Owl Call My Name* (CRAVEN)  
1070L *Savvy* (LAW)  
1070L *Around the World in 80 Days* (VERNE)  
1010L *The Pearl* (STEINBECK)  
1000L *The Hobbit or There and Back Again* (TOLKIEN)
- 900L** 980L *Dovey Coe* (DOWELL)  
950L *Bud, Not Buddy* (CURTIS)  
940L *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* (ROWLING)  
940L *Heat* (LUPICA)  
900L *City of Fire* (YEP)
- 800L** GN840L\* *The Odyssey* (HINDS)  
830L *Baseball in April and Other Stories* (SOTO)  
820L *Maniac Magee* (SPINELLI)  
810L *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon* (LIN)  
800L *Homeless Bird* (WHELAN)
- 700L** 770L *Walk Two Moons* (CREECH)  
760L *Hoot* (HIAASEN)  
750L *Esperanza Rising* (RYAN)  
720L *Nancy's Mysterious Letter* (KEENE)  
700L *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* (DICAMILLO)
- 600L** 690L *Firefly Hollow* (MCGHEE)  
680L *Charlotte's Web* (WHITE)  
660L *Holes* (SACHAR)  
620L *The Year of Billy Miller* (HENKES)  
610L *Mountain Bike Mania* (CHRISTOPHER)
- 500L** 590L *The Great Kapok Tree* (CHERRY)  
580L *Tops and Bottoms* (STEVENS)  
570L *Grace for President* (DIPUCCHIO)  
540L *Ron's Big Mission* (BLUE & NADEN)  
500L *Poppleton in Spring* (RYLANT)
- 400L** 480L *A Birthday for Frances* (HOBAN)  
470L *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* (BLUME)  
450L *Amelia Bedelia* (PARISH)  
440L *Fox on the Job* (MARSHALL)  
420L *Hey, New Kid!* (DUFFEY)
- 300L** 370L *Little Bear Book* (MINARIK)  
350L *To the Rescue!* (MAYER)  
340L *Snow* (SHULEVITZ)  
GN320L\* *Spotlight Soccer* (SANCHEZ)  
310L *I Spy Fly Guy!* (ARNOLD)
- 200L** 290L *The Class Pet From the Black Lagoon* (THALER)  
280L *Puddle* (YUM)  
240L *Are You My Mother?* (EASTMAN)  
210L *Green Eggs and Ham* (SEUSS)  
200L *Tiny Goes to the Library* (MEISTER)

INFORMATIONAL TITLES

- 1650L *Twenty Years at Hull-House* (ADDAMS)  
1600L *The U.S. Constitution and Other Key American Writings* (ASSORTED)  
1600L *Sustaining Life: How Human Health Depends on Biodiversity* (CHIVIAN)  
1590L *Captain John Smith: A Select Edition of His Writings* (SMITH)  
1520L *Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed* (DIAMOND)
- 1490L *Rousseau's Political Writings* (ROUSSEAU)  
1430L *America's Constitution: A Biography* (AMAR)  
1440L *Fordlandia* (GRANDIN)  
1410L *Profiles in Courage* (KENNEDY)  
1400L *The Mysteries of Beethoven's Hair* (MARTIN & NIBLEY)
- 1390L *In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto* (POLLAN)  
1360L *Anne Frank: The Book, the Life, the Afterlife* (PROSE)  
1340L *Walden and Civil Disobedience* (THOREAU)  
1330L *The Professor and the Madman: A Tale of Murder, Insanity, and the Making of the Oxford English Dictionary* (WINCHESTER)  
1300L *Arctic Dreams: Imagination and Desire in a Northern Landscape* (LOPEZ)
- 1290L *A Brief History of Time: From the Big Bang to Black Holes* (HAWKING)  
1280L *Black, Blue, and Gray: African Americans in the Civil War* (HASKINS)  
1230L *Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers* (ROACH)  
1230L *Knowing Mandela: A Personal Portrait* (CARLIN)  
1200L *The Dark Game: True Spy Stories* (JANECZKO)
- 1160L *The Longitude Prize* (DASH)  
1160L *In Search of Our Mothers' Gardens* (WALKER)  
1150L *The Human Microbiome: The Germs That Keep You Healthy* (HIRSCH)  
1150L *In My Place* (HUNTER-GAULT)  
1100L *Something to Declare* (ALVAREZ)
- 1030L *Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story About Brain Science* (FLEISCHMAN)  
1020L *This Land Was Made for You and Me: The Life and Songs of Woody Guthrie* (PARTRIDGE)  
1010L *Travels With Charley: In Search of America* (STEINBECK)  
1000L *Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad* (PETRY)  
1000L *Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice* (HOOSE)
- 990L *Seabiscuit: An American Legend* (HILLENBRAND)  
980L *The Kid's Guide to Money: Earning It, Saving It, Spending It, Growing It, Sharing It* (OTFINOSKI)  
950L *Jim Thorpe, Original All-American* (BRUCHAC)  
930L *Colin Powell* (FINLAYSON)  
920L *Talking With Artists* (CUMMINGS)
- 880L *Volcanoes* (SIMON)  
880L *The Circuit: Stories From the Life of a Migrant Child* (JIMÉNEZ)
- IG860L\* *Animals Nobody Loves* (SIMON)  
860L *Through My Eyes: Ruby Bridges* (BRIDGES)  
830L *Quest for the Tree Kangaroo* (MONTGOMERY)
- 790L *Be Water, My Friend: The Early Years of Bruce Lee* (MIOCHIZUKI)  
760L *Stay: The True Story of Ten Dogs* (MUNTEAN)
- IG760L\* *Mapping Shipwrecks With Coordinate Planes* (WALL)  
720L *Pretty in Print: Questioning Magazines* (BOTZAKIS)  
720L *Spiders in the Hairdo: Modern Urban Legends* (HOLT & MOONEY)
- 690L *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes* (COERR)  
680L *An Eye for Color: The Story of Josef Albers* (WING)  
680L *The Moon* (LANDAU)  
660L *Remember: The Journey to School Integration* (MORRISON)  
620L *Crittercam* (EINSPRUCH)
- IG590L\* *Claude Monet* (CONNOLLY)  
580L *What Magnets Can Do* (FOWLER & BARKAN)  
560L *Molly the Pony* (KASTER)  
550L *Martin Luther King, Jr. and the March on Washington* (RUFFIN)  
510L *A Picture for Marc* (KIMMEL)
- 480L *Rally for Recycling* (BULLARD)  
480L *Grand Canyon* (GILBERT)  
470L *Life in China* (CHUNG)  
460L *Half You Heard of Fractions?* (ADAMSON & ADAMSON)  
440L *Abraham Lincoln* (HANSEN)
- 370L *Starfish* (HURD)  
IG340L\* *We Can Be Friends* (JORDAN)  
340L *Fernando Exercises!: Tell and Write Time* (KAY)  
340L *Simple Machines* (RISSMAN)  
310L *Visiting the Beach in Summer* (FELIX)
- 280L *Whales* (LINDEEN)  
260L *Leaves in Fall* (SCHUH)  
220L *Plants on a Farm* (DICKMANN)  
210L *Counting in the City* (STEFFORA)  
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