

# Levelled Literacy Key

## By Grade & Term

Kindergarten		Key Features of K Texts:
AAA	September	<b>TIME:</b> 10-15 minutes of sustained, side by side reading <b>TEXT FEATURES:</b> limited text per page, large font, picture cues, predictable patterns, basic text and/or simple story line
AA	November	
A	January	
B	March	
C	May	
D	June	
Grade 1		Key Features of Grade 1 Texts:
D	September	<b>TIME:</b> 10 - 15 minutes of sustained side by side reading <b>TEXT FEATURES:</b> at least 1 sentence per page, fairly large font, regular use of sight words, some picture cues, increasingly complex text and/or story line
E		
F	November	
G		
H	March	
J	June	
Grade 2		Key Features of Grade 2 Texts:
J	September	<b>TIME:</b> 15 - 20 minutes of sustained side by side reading <b>TEXT FEATURES:</b> several sentences per page, smaller font, fewer pictures that don't always directly relate to the text, clear beginning, middle & end, simple dialogue, simple chapter books
K	November	
L	March	
M	June	
Grade 3		Key Features of Grade 3 Texts:
M	September	<b>TIME:</b> 20 - 30 minutes of sustained reading <b>TEXT FEATURES:</b> paragraph(s) per page, small font, fewer/no pictures, clear beginning, middle & end, frequent dialogue, longer chapter books
N	November	
O	March	
P	June	
Grade 4		Key Features of Grade 4 Texts:
P	September	<b>TIME:</b> 30 - 40 minutes of sustained reading <b>TEXT FEATURES:</b> paragraphs per page, small font, no pictures, detailed beginning, middle & end, dialogue, longer chapter books, multisyllabic words, complex vocabulary, intermediate content & organizational structure
Q	November	
R	March	
S	June	
Grade 5		Key Features of Grade 5 Texts:
S	September	<b>TIME:</b> 40 - 50 minutes of sustained reading <b>TEXT FEATURES:</b> paragraphs per page, small font, no pictures, elaborate beginning, middle & end, longer chapter books, multisyllabic words, increasingly complex vocabulary, sophisticated content & organizational structure
T	November	
U	March	
V	June	
Grade 6		Key Features of Grade 6 Texts:
V	September	<b>TIME:</b> 50 - 60 minutes of sustained reading <b>TEXT FEATURES:</b> paragraphs per page, small font, no pictures, elaborate beginning, middle & end, longer chapter books, multisyllabic words, increasingly complex vocabulary, content & organizational structure
W	November	
X	March	
Y	June	
Grade 7+		Key Features of Grade 7+ Texts:
Y	September	<b>TIME:</b> 60 minutes + <b>TEXT FEATURES:</b> elaborate beginning, middle & end, longer chapter books, multisyllabic words, sophisticated vocabulary, increasingly mature content & organizational structure
Z	June	
Z+	High School/Adult	