



EXPEDITIONARY  
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# Grade 6: Module 2A

## Recommended Texts



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The list below includes texts with a range of Lexile® text measures about rules to live by and the Great Depression. This provides appropriate independent reading for each student to help build content knowledge about the topic.

It is imperative that students read a high volume of texts at their reading level in order to continue to build the academic vocabulary and fluency demanded by the CCLS.

Note that districts and schools should consider their own community standards

**Common Core Band Level Text Difficulty Ranges:**

(As provided in the NYSED Passage Selection Guidelines for Assessing CCSS ELA)

- Grade 2–3: 420–820L
- Grade 4–5: 740–1010L
- Grade 6–8: 925–1185L

when reviewing this list. Some texts in particular units or modules address emotionally difficult content.

Where possible, texts in languages other than English are also provided. Texts are categorized into three Lexile measures that correspond to Common Core Bands: below grade band, within band, and above band. Note, however, that Lexile measures are just one indicator of text complexity, and teachers must use their professional judgment and consider qualitative factors as well. For more information, see Appendix 1 of the Common Core State Standards.

Title	Author And Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
<b>Lexile text measures in Grade 2–3 band level (below 740L)</b>			
<i>The Dirty Thirties: The United States from 1929–1941</i>	Mary C. Turck (author)	Informational	570
<i>Oh, The Places You'll Go!</i>	Dr. Seuss (author)	Literature	600
<i>A Year Down Yonder</i>	Richard Peck (author)	Literature	610
<i>Potato: A Tale from the Great Depression</i>	Kate Lied (author)	Literature	660
<i>Bird in a Box</i>	Andrea Davis Pinkney (author)	Literature	670
<i>The Everlasting Now</i>	Sara Harrell Banks (author)	Literature	690
<i>A Letter to Mrs. Roosevelt</i>	C. Coco De Young (author)	Literature	690
<i>Ida Early Comes over the Mountain</i>	Robert Burch (author)	Literature	720



Title	Author And Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
<b>Lexile text measures in Grade 4–5 band level (740L–925L)</b>			
<i>The Mighty Miss Malone</i>	Christopher Paul Curtis (author)	Literature	750
<i>Esperanza Rising</i>	Pam Munoz Ryan (author)	Literature	750
<i>Moon over Manifest</i>	Clare Vanderpool	Literature	800
<i>Duke Ellington: The Piano Prince and His Orchestra</i>	Andrea Davis Pinkney (author)	Informational	800
<i>Rose’s Journal: The Story of a Girl in the Great Depression</i>	Marissa Moss (author)	Literature	820
<i>The Truth about Sparrows</i>	Marian Hale (author)	Literature	820
<i>The Miner’s Daughter</i>	Gretchen Moran Laskas (author)	Literature	850‡
<i>Migrant Mother: How a Photograph Defined the Great Depression</i>	Don Nardo (author)	Informational	900
<b>Lexile text measures within band level (925L–1185L)</b>			
<i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i>	Mildred D. Taylor (author)	Literature	920
<i>Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul: 101 Stories of Life, Love and Learning</i>	Jack Canfield, Mark Victor Hansen, and Kimberly Kirberger (compiled)	Compiled Biographical Reference	930
<i>The New Deal</i>	Susan E. Hamen (author)	Informational	1020*
<i>The Great Depression: A Nation in Distress</i>	Janet Beyer and JoAnne B. Weisman (editors)	Informational	1130
<i>Children of the Great Depression</i>	Russell Freedman (author)	Informational	1170

‡Book content may have higher maturity level text



Title	Author And Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
<b>Lexile text measures above band level (over 1185L)</b>			
<i>Jazz</i>	Thom Holmes (author)	Informational	NoLXL‡
<i>The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens</i>	Sean Covey (author)	Informational	NoLXL‡
<i>Out of the Dust</i>	Karen Hesse (author)	Prose	NP‡
<i>The New Deal: Hope for the Nation</i>	Cheryl Edwards (editor)	Informational	1220
<i>The Great Depression and the New Deal</i>	Robert F. Himmelberg (author)	Informational	1550

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