



Classroom Libraries and Bibliographies



SRA/Open Court Reading **Leveled Readers Provide Practice and Insight**

Open Court Reading Classroom Library and ***Bibliography trade books*** provide **leveled readers** for reading practice and add background knowledge to the Thematic Learning Units for Grades K-6.

For each grade level, these **trade books** (or **leveled readers**) are specifically chosen to meet the different reading needs of all students in your class, including those students reading significantly below or above grade level. These **Leveled Readers** will add a new dimension of thought and deepen the concept of each unit theme.

Pre-Decodable and Decodable Books Provide Practice Resulting in Fluent Reading of Anthologies and Leveled Readers

Pre-Decodable Books, many words written in Rebus, offer Kindergarten students a successful format for practicing beginning reading skills. They also help children learn the conventions of print necessary for becoming comfortable with the act of reading.

Decodable Books allow students to practice the blending strategies and sounds introduced in the lessons that are necessary for figuring out unfamiliar words and reading fluently. Fluent readers are able to read words automatically so they can focus on comprehension, the true goal of reading.

Practice using **Pre-Decodable** and **Decodable** books, when paired with systematic instruction in phonemic awareness and phonics, provides students with the skills needed to successfully read the **authentic literature** found in the ***Open Court Reading Anthologies, Classroom Libraries, and Bibliographies.***

Leveled Readers Provide Opportunity for Appropriate Practice

Using the **leveled readers**, students discover other dimensions of the unit themes by reading and discussing one or more of these award-winning trade books. **Leveled readers** found in the ***Open Court Reading Classroom Libraries*** are listed in the **Unit Overview**. Bibliographies are listed at the end of each unit of the ***Open Court Reading Teacher Editions*** at each grade level. A brief description of each book and tips for reading and discussing these books are provided.

For each grade level, the Leveled Readers are designated:

- ***Easy***—trade book may be up to one year below grade level
- ***Average***—trade book is basically on grade level
- ***Advanced***—trade book may be up to one year above grade level

Grade 6

Bibliography

Perseverance – Unit 1

Ella Enchanted
The Moon and I
Out of the Dust
Sing for Your Father, Su Phan

Classroom Library

Perseverance – Unit 1

The Most Beautiful Place in the World – Easy
Wilma Unlimited: How Wilma Rudolph Became the World's Fastest Woman – Easy
Littlejim's Dream – Average
The Circuit: Stories from the Life of a Migrant Child – Average
Where the Lilies Bloom – Advanced
The Wright Brothers: How They Invented the Airplane – Advanced

Bibliography

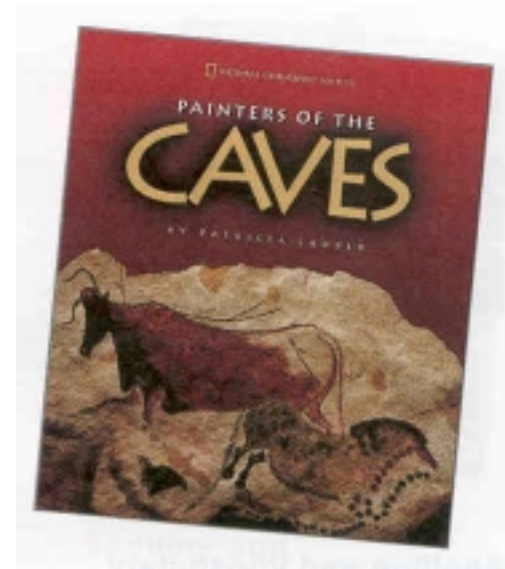
Ancient Civilizations – Unit 2

The Ancient Cliff Dwellers of Mesa Verde
The Cricket's Cage
A Place in the Sun

Classroom Library

Ancient Civilizations – Unit 2

Androcles and the Lion – Easy
Ancient Romans at a Glance – Easy
Painters of the Caves – Average
Pyramids! – Average
Dig This! How Archeologists Uncover Our Past – Advanced
Religions of the World – Advanced



Bibliography

Taking a Stand – Unit 3

Running Out of Time
The Girl–Son
Mandela: From the Life of the South African Statesman – Average

Classroom Library

Taking a Stand – Unit 3

Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky – Easy
Jane Addams: Pioneer Social Worker – Easy
Number the Stars – Average
Run Away Home – Average
Kids at Work: Lewis Hine and the Crusade Against Child Labor – Advanced
Red Scarf Girl: A Memoir of the Cultural Revolution – Advanced

Bibliography

Beyond the Notes – Unit 4

The Story of the Incredible Orchestra
Becoming Felix
Rubber-Band Banjos and a Java Jive Bass
Cecilia and the Blue Mountain Boy

Classroom Library

Beyond the Notes – Unit 4

The Jazz Man – Easy
The Sea King's Daughter: A Russian Legend – Easy
A Mouse Called Wolf – Average
Play Me a Story: Nine Tales About Musical Instruments – Average
Dragonsong – Advanced
Music – Advanced

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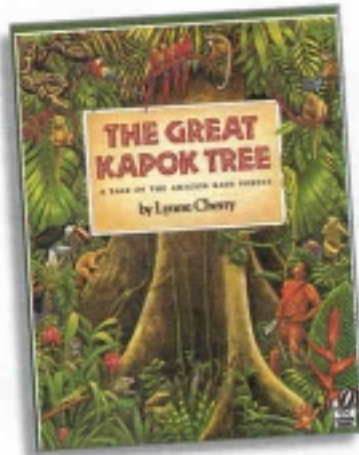
Ecology – Unit 5

Canyon Winter
The Earth Is Painted Green: A Garden of Poems About Our Planet
Wolf Stalker

Classroom Library

Ecology – Unit 5

The Great Kapok Tree – Easy
Lifetimes – Easy
Elephant Woman: Cynthia Moss Explores the World of Elephants – Average
The Missing 'Gator of Gumbo Limbo – Average
Ecology for Every Kid: Easy Activities That Make Learning Science Fun – Advanced
The Most Beautiful Roof in the World: Exploring the Rainforest Canopy – Advanced



Bibliography

A Question of Value – Unit 6

Gold and Silver, Silver and Gold
The King's Equal
Song of the Trees

Classroom Library

A Question of Value – Unit 6

Abuelita's Heart – Easy
Wringer – Easy
The Golden Bracelet – Average
Lily's Crossing – Average
The Black Pearl – Advanced
The Monkey Thief – Advanced

