# Informational Text

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**A Selective Annotated Bibliography**

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<td>Woolf, Alex. <em>Let’s Think About the Internet and Social Media.</em> Chicago: Heinemann Library, 2015.</td>
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<td>This book looks at issues surrounding the use of the internet and social media, such as reliability of information, cyber-safety, and whether it is healthy to spend lots of time online.</td>
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<td>Comparing the world population to a village of 100 persons, the author reveals such facts as the languages of the village, how much each earns, if the person is literate, has a television and has enough to eat.</td>
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<td>Engaging images accompany information about Apple, Inc. The combination of</td>
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high-interest subject matter and narrative text is intended for students in grades 3 through 7.

Min/Max Grade Level: 3 through 4; Lexile: 740L; BL: 4.4


Provides simple facts about the United States Constitution, including information about the Constitutional Congress, the Bill of Rights, and the document's spelling errors.

Min/Max Grade Level: 3 through 4; Lexile: NC880L; BL: 6.2


Presents the Bill of Rights in both its original version and in a translated version using everyday language. Describes the events that led to the creation of the document and its significance through history.

Min/Max Grade Level: 4 through 6; Lexile: 900L; BL: 5.9


Informative, engaging text and vivid photos introduce readers to the job of city mayor.

Min/Max Grade Level: 1 through 2; Lexile: 750L; BL: 3.9


Describes twelve notable natural landmarks in the United States, from Niagara Falls and the Mississippi River to the Grand Canyon and Kilauea Volcano, and discusses their dimensions and other characteristics that make them distinctive.

Min/Max Grade Level: 3 through 4; Lexile: 840L; BL: 5.4


Through content that supports the science curriculum, readers learn the many problems pollution causes. Full-color photographs and informative sidebars show them the urgency of the problem while they discover ways they can help reduce and stop pollution.

Min/Max Grade Level: n/a; Lexile: 870L; BL: n/a

This book presents unique information about the solar system, stars, and sun in a visual manner that can help both engage readers and reinforce their knowledge.

Min/Max Grade Level: n/a; Lexile: 1000L; BL: n/a


Relevant images match informative text in this introduction to cloud cover.

Min/Max Grade Level: 1 through 2; Lexile: 510L; BL: 2.3


Uses infographics to describe statistics about the weather, including the areas of the world with the most thunderstorms, the different climates of the world, and the elevations at which different clouds form.

Min/Max Grade Level: 4 through 6; Lexile: NC640L; BL: n/a


Profiles a series of animals with unusual eyes and explains how such animals use their uniquely evolved eyes to gain essential information about the biological world.

Min/Max Grade Level: K through 3; Lexile: NC1040L; BL: 5.7


A young girl gets quite a surprise when the text of a library book she is reading transforms her surroundings into those of a teeming-with-life coral reef!

Min/Max Grade Level: K through 3; Lexile: 1010L; BL: 6.4


Engaging text and informative images help readers learn about their muscular system.

Min/Max Grade Level: 1 through 2; Lexile: NC580L; BL: 3.8
M9647S

This title provides early readers with basic information about spaceships through simple, easy-to-read text with photos, glossary terms and a More Facts section.

Min/Max Grade Level: n/a; Lexile: 460L; BL: n/a

G3526F

Provides facts about such fruits as apples, peaches, and grapes, including how they grow, how they are harvested, and how they are eaten.

Min/Max Grade Level: K through 3; Lexile: AD610L; BL: 3.8

B64487D

Relevant images match informative text in this introduction to the dairy group. Other titles in the series include: *Keeping Fit, Penguins, Sound, Ambulances, Clouds, Fruits, Rain, Spring, Volcanoes, Bulldozers, Chickens*, and *Grasshoppers*.

Min/Max Grade Level: K; Lexile: 480L; BL: 2.6

C539L

Introduces readers to primary sources. Includes a hands-on activity related to media literacy.

Min/Max Grade Level: K; Lexile: n/a; BL: 3.1

Besel, Jennifer M. *Compass Roses and Directions*. North Mankato, MN: Capstone Press, 2014. 912.01
B4638C

Simple text with full-color photos and illustrations provide basic information about compass roses and map directions.

Min/Max Grade Level: 1 through 2; Lexile: NC470L; BL: n/a

**MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL**

DeCristofano, Carolyn Cinami. *A Black Hole is Not a Hole*. Watertown, MA: Charlesbridge, 2012. 523.8
D359B

Introduces black holes, describing their physical features, how they were discovered, what causes them, and where they exist in space.

Offers an illustrated introduction to some of the natural world's phenomena, including rocks, minerals, gemstones, and metals, along with fossils and shells, describing key features of each.

Min/Max Grade Level: 4 through 6; Lexile: n/a; BL: n/a


Showcases dozens of full-color plants from around the world in a gallery format, complemented by identification information and brief descriptions.

Min/Max Grade Level: 5 through 12; Lexile: n/a; BL: n/a


Provides information on deep-water and ocean floor sharks and shares a shark diver's experiences searching for and photographing them.

Min/Max Grade Level: 4 through 6; Lexile: 1110L; BL: 6.3


Describes the work done by scientists to identify the Pd fungi involved in the deaths of large numbers of little brown bats in the United States and their effort to control and eradicate the disease in the future.

Min/Max Grade Level: 4 through 6; Lexile: 1030L; BL: 6.3


This short book will take readers beyond the headlines to help them understand the 2014 outbreak. It will inform while helping to alleviate fears.

Min/Max Grade Level: 4 through 8; Lexile: 1020L; BL: 7.2


Discusses what life was like for the boys who worked in America's coal mines in the
early nineteenth and twentieth centuries and shares the story of a young coal miner who endeavors to save miners trapped in a collapsed tunnel.

Min/Max Grade Level: 2 through 6; Lexile: n/a; BL: 6.3


An account of the Great Chicago Fire combines archival photographs and drawings with personal accounts by its survivors and historical documents.

Min/Max Grade Level: 4 through 6; Lexile: 1130L; BL: 7.6

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