

Characteristics of Text

Level Q includes literature selections with sophisticated humour, complex plots, and memorable characters. Themes at this level are sophisticated and require interpretation. They serve as a good foundation for group discussion. Illustrations and their relationship to the text can be examined as well. Books have complex structure and difficult words that offer challenges. There are some words from languages other than English. Longer texts require an extended time period to read.

Behaviours to Notice and Support	Students' Names								
Reads rapidly, with attention to meaning, when reading silently									
Actively acquires new vocabulary through reading									
Demonstrates facility in text interpretation while reading orally, with fluency and phrasing									
In oral reading, figures out new words rapidly while reading smoothly and expressively									
Sustains attention to a text read over many days, remembering details and revising interpretations as new events are encountered									
Demonstrates interest in reading an extended text over a longer time period									
Demonstrates interest in reading shorter literary texts									
Uses illustrations to help analyze text meaning									
After reading silently, demonstrates understanding and sophistication in interpreting meaning									
Compares the text to other books in an analytic way									
Goes beyond the text to speculate on alternative meanings									
Goes beyond the text to interpret characters' thoughts and feelings									
Shows the ability to analyze and extend the text in writing									