



## Graphic Texts for Teaching Common Core State Standards Grades K-1

Texts	Common Core State Standards
<p><i>Fiction – Wordless Texts</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The Adventures of Polo</b> series, by Regis Faller, Roaring Brook</li> <li>• <b>Korgi*</b> series, by Christian Slade, Top Shelf</li> <li>• <b>Owly*</b> series, by Andy Runton, Top Shelf</li> <li>• <b>Robot Dreams*</b>, by Sara Varon, First Second</li> <li>• <b>The Snowman</b>, by Raymond Briggs, Random House</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.K.1, K.2, K.3, <b>K.7**</b>, K.9, K.10</p> <p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.1, 1.2, 1.3, <b>1.7**</b>, 1.9</p>
<p><i>Fiction</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Barry's Best Buddy</b>, by Renee French, Toon Books</li> <li>• <b>Benny and Penny</b> series, by Geoffrey Hayes, Toon Books</li> <li>• <b>The Big Wet Balloon</b>, by Liniers, Toon Books</li> <li>• <b>Bumperboy*</b> series, by Debbie Huey, AdHouse Books</li> <li>• <b>Guinea Pig: Pet Shop Private Eye</b> series, by Colleen AF Venable, Graphic Universe</li> <li>• <b>Johnny Boo</b> series, by James Kolchaka, Top Shelf</li> <li>• <b>Laundry Day</b> by Morrie J Manning, Clarion</li> <li>• <b>Little Mouse Gets Ready</b>, by Jeff Smith, Toon Books</li> <li>• <b>Long Tail Kitty</b> by Lark Pien, Blue Apple Books</li> <li>• <b>Mr. Badger and Mrs. Fox</b> series, by Brigitte Luciani and Eve Tharlet, Graphic Universe</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.K.1, K.2, K.3, K.4, K.6, <b>K.7**</b>, K.9, K.10</p> <p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, <b>1.7**</b>, 1.9</p>
<p><i>Folktales and Fairytales</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fairy Tale Comics: Classic Tales told by Extraordinary Cartoonists*</b>, edited by Chris Duffy, First Second Books</li> <li>• <b>Nursery Rhyme Comics: 50 Timeless Rhymes from 50 Celebrated Cartoonists</b>, edited by Chris Duffy, First Second Books</li> <li>• <b>The Three Pigs</b> by David Wiesner, Clarion</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.K.1, K.2, K.3, K.4, K.5, <b>K.7**</b>, K.9, K.10</p> <p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.1, 1.2, 1.3, <b>1.7**</b>, 1.9</p>
<p><i>Informational Text</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>First Graphics*</b> series (<b>Body Systems, Dinosaurs, My Community, Nature Cycles, Science Mysteries, Seasons, Wild Earth, Healthy Eating</b>), Capstone Press</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.K.1, K.2, K.3, K.5, K.6, <b>K.7**</b>, K.10</p> <p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.6, <b>1.7**</b>, 1.10</p>

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## Graphic Texts for Teaching Common Core State Standards Grades 2-3

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<p><i>Fiction</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Binky the Space Cat*</b> by Ashley Spires, Kids Can Press</li> <li>• <b>Lions, Tigers, and Bears</b>, by Mike Bullock, Image</li> <li>• <b>Odd Duck*</b>, by Cecil Castellucci &amp; Sara Varon, First Second</li> <li>• <b>Pet Robots*</b>, by Scott Sava &amp; Diego Jourdan, IDW</li> <li>• <b>Zita the Space Girl*</b>, by Ben Hatke, First Second</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.1, 2.3, 2.5, 2.6, <b>2.7**</b></p> <p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 3.6, <b>3.7**</b></p>
<p><i>Fiction Series</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Babymouse*</b> series, by Jennifer L. Holm and Matthew Holm, Random House</li> <li>• <b>Frankie Pickle</b> series, by Eric Wight, Simon &amp; Schuster</li> <li>• <b>G-Man*</b> series, by Chris Giarruso, Image</li> <li>• <b>Knights of the Lunch Table*</b> series, by Frank Cammuso, Scholastic</li> <li>• <b>Magic Pickle</b> series, by Scott Morse, Scholastic</li> <li>• <b>Magic Trixie*</b> series, by Jill Thompson, HarperCollins</li> <li>• <b>Sticky Burr</b> series, by John Lechner, Candlewick</li> </ul>	<p>All from Fiction and CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.9</p>
<p><i>Myths and Folktales</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The Shark King*</b>, by R. Kikuo Johnson, Toon Books</li> </ul>	<p>All from Fiction and CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.2, 3.2</p>
<p><i>Nonfiction</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>I'm Not a Plastic Bag*</b>, by Rachel Hope Allison, Archaia</li> <li>• <b>To Dance: A Ballerina's Graphic Novel*</b>, by Siena Cherson Siegel &amp; Mark Siegel, Atheneum Books for Young Readers</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.1, 2.6, 2.8</p> <p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.1, 3.2, 3.3</p>
<p><i>Informational Text</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Buzz Beaker</b> series by Scott Nickel, Capstone (science)</li> <li>• <b>Tail-end Charlie*</b> by Mick Manning &amp; Brita Granstrom, Frances Lincoln Childrens Books (biography, history)</li> <li>• <b>Zig and Wikki</b> series, by Nadja Spiegelman &amp; Trade Loeffler, Toon Books (science)</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.1, 2.4, 2.6, <b>2.7**</b></p> <p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.1, 3.2, 3.4, <b>3.7**</b></p>

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## Graphic Texts for Teaching Common Core State Standards

### Grades 4-5

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<p><i>Fiction – Wordless Text</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The Arrival*</b>, by Shaun Tan, Arthur A. Levine Books</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.4.1, 4.2, 4.3            CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.5.2, 5.3, <b>5.7**</b></p>
<p><i>Fiction</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Amelia Rules!</b> series by Jimmy Gownley, Atheneum</li> <li>• <b>Amulet</b> series, by Kazu Kibuishi, Scholastic</li> <li>• <b>Dance Class</b> series by Beka &amp; Crip, Papercutz</li> <li>• <b>Giants Beware!</b> by Jorge Aguirre &amp; Rafael Rosado, First Second</li> <li>• <b>Princess at Midnight</b>, by Andi Watson, Image/webcomic</li> <li>• <b>Spiral-bound</b>, by Aaron Renier, Top Shelf</li> <li>• <b>Three Thieves</b> series by Scott Chantler, Kids Can Press</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.4.1, 4.2, 4.3            CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, <b>5.7**</b></p>
<p><i>Myths and Folktales</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Graphic Myths and Legends*</b> series, Graphic Universe</li> <li>• <b>Olympians*</b> series, by George O'Connor, First Second</li> <li>• <b>Rapunzel's Revenge</b> and <b>Calamity Jack</b> by Shannon &amp; Dean Hale and Nathan Hale, Bloomsbury</li> <li>• <b>Trickster: Native American Tales*</b>, edited by Matt Dembicki, Fulcrum Publishing</li> </ul>	<p>All from Fiction and CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.4.4, 4.9</p>
<p><i>Genre Fiction</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bone*</b> series, by Jeff Smith, Scholastic (adventure)</li> <li>• <b>The Dreamland Chronicles*</b> by Scott Sava, webcomic (adventure)</li> <li>• <b>The Hardy Boys*</b> series, by Scott Lobdell, Lea Hernandez, &amp; Daniel Rendon, Papercutz (mystery)</li> <li>• <b>Nancy Drew*</b> series, by Stefan Petrucha, Sarah Kinney, and Show Murase, Papercutz (mystery)</li> <li>• <b>Snarked!</b> by Roger Langridge, KaBOOM! (adventure)</li> </ul>	<p>All from Fiction and CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL5.9</p>

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### Grades 4-5 (cont.)

<p><i>Non-Fiction Biography</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Graphic Biographies</b> series, Capstone</li> <li>• <b>Great Figures in History</b> series*, YKids</li> <li>• <b>Houdini the Handcuff King*</b>, by Nick Abadzis, Hyperion</li> <li>• <b>No Girls Allowed: Tales of Daring Women Dressed as Men for Love, Freedom and Adventure*</b>, by Susan Hughes &amp; Willow Dawson, Kids Can Press</li> <li>• <b>Presidents of the United States Bio-Graphics series</b>, by Joeming Dunn, Magic Wagon</li> <li>• <b>Smile</b> by Raina Telgemeier, Scholastic</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.4.1, 4.3, 4.6            CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.5.1, 5.3, 5.4, 5.6, <b>5.7**</b>            CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.6, 4.9            CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.6</p>
<p><i>Content Areas</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>First in Space*</b>, by James Vining, Oni (history)</li> <li>• <b>Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales*</b> series, by Nathan Hale, Abrams (history)</li> <li>• <b>Prime Baby*</b>, by Gene Yang, First Second (math)</li> <li>• <b>The Secret Science Alliance</b>, by Eleanor Davis, Bloomsbury (science, engineering)</li> <li>• <b>Terra Tempo</b> series, by David Shapiro, Christopher Herndon, and Erica Melville, Craigmore (science)</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.7, 4.8            CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.8</p>
<p><i>Informational Text</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Howtoons: The Possibilities are Endless!</b> by Saul Griffith, Joost Bonsen, and Nick Dragotta, Collins (science)</li> </ul>	<p>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.4.4, 4.5, 4.7            CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.5.4</p>

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