

List of Genres/Texts (Grades 1-3)

- **Fiction**: Magic Tree House Series; A-Z Mysteries; Boxcar Children Series;
- Nate the Great Series
- **Authors**: E. Carle, Patricia Pollacco, F. Ringgold, J. Brett, Cynthia Rylant
- **Non-Fiction**: Eye Witness Books,
- **Biographies**

Common Core (CCS)

- **Reading:** text complexity + comprehension growth (T-T, T-S, T-W; textual evidence; QtA strategies; opinions
- **Writing:** journal (arguments), information, exploring texts, narratives, research, W-R (flip sides of the same coin)
- **Speaking & Listening:** use of oral communication broadly; inter-and-intra-personal skills; adapting speech to specific space/contexts/tasks; flexible collaboration
- **Language:** use of Standard spoken English; craft; new vocabulary; nuances & domain specific learning

Final Thoughts

- ❑ Teacher-as-Researcher: reflexive teacher, How do I create spaces for my children where power is shared? Literacy practices as liberating, so need to create dynamic spaces breaking the educational scripts for primary learners?
- ❑ Theory-to-Everyday Practice; visa versa
- ❑ “Gaze back on me” (What do I actually do? Vs. What I think I actually do?)
- ❑ Professional Development: evolving pedagogy
- ❑ Unconventional Theory of Teaching the Lifelong Joys of Reading/Writing= Creativity +Aesthetics + Conventionalism+ Risk-Taking+ Making Mistakes