# Public Libraries and the Common Core Curriculum: Resources

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**COMMON CORE RESOURCES**

Common Core National Website

[corestandards.org/](http://www.corestandards.org/)

Appendix B: [corestandards.org/assets/Appendix\_B.pdf](http://www.corestandards.org/assets/Appendix_B.pdf)

California Department of Education CCSS Web Page

Select “Students/Parents” tab – Provides handouts for parents.

[cde.ca.gov/re/cc/](http://www.cde.ca.gov/re/cc/)

K-8 California's Common Core Standards Parent Handbook:

[ccsesa.org/sysadmin/documents/CCSParentHandbook\_020411.doc](http://www.ccsesa.org/sysadmin/documents/CCSParentHandbook_020411.doc)

ALSC Common Core Resources

[ala.org/alsc/ccss-resources](http://www.ala.org/alsc/ccss-resources)

**NONFICTION RESOURCES**

YALSA Excellence in YA Nonfiction Book Award

[ala.org/yalsa/nonfiction](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/nonfiction)

Sibert Medal for Nonfiction (through age 14)

[ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/sibertmedal](http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/sibertmedal)

NCTE Orbis Pictus Award

National Council of Teachers of English annual nonfiction award

[ncte.org/awards/orbispictus](http://www.ncte.org/awards/orbispictus)

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AAAS/Suburu Prize for Excellence in Science Books [sbfonline.com/Subaru/Pages/PrizesHome.aspx](http://www.sbfonline.com/Subaru/Pages/PrizesHome.aspx)

## Boston-Globe Horn Book Awards (Nonfiction Category)

## [hbook.com/boston-globe-horn-book-awards](http://www.hbook.com/boston-globe-horn-book-awards/)

## NSTA (National Science Teachers Assn.)

### Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12 – annual list of fiction and nonfiction

[nsta.org/publications/ostb/](http://www.nsta.org/publications/ostb/)

NCSS (National Council for the Social Studies)

Notable Tradebooks for Young People – annual booklist of fiction and nonfiction

socialstudies.org/resources/notable

Tulare County Common Core pages including Quick Links for Social Studies

Useful websites under “Social Studies Resources” [commoncore.tcoe.org/Soc\_Studies/QuickLinks/Home](http://commoncore.tcoe.org/Soc_Studies/QuickLinks/Home)

**BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR LISTS (that include nonfiction)**

ALSC’s Notable Children’s Books

Annual list that includes nonfiction as well as fiction for ages 0-14.

ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb

YALSA’s Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers (includes nonfiction)

[ala.org/yalsa/quick-picks-reluctant-young-adult-readers](http://www.ala.org/yalsa/quick-picks-reluctant-young-adult-readers)

ACL (Association of Children’s Librarians of Northern California) Distinguished Books of the Year

[docs.google.com/file/d/0B7sjGEVv7BIzUmQzM3VfT3htLTg/edit](https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B7sjGEVv7BIzUmQzM3VfT3htLTg/edit)

Booklist Editor’s Choice

[booklistonline.com/Booklist-Editors-Choice-2012/pid=5906869](http://www.booklistonline.com/Booklist-Editors-Choice-2012/pid=5906869)

Horn Book’s Fanfare (Best Books of the Year) – Has nonfiction section.

[hbook.com/2012/12/blogs/read-roger/horn-book-fanfare-2012/](http://www.hbook.com/2012/12/blogs/read-roger/horn-book-fanfare-2012/)

Kirkus Children’s & Teens Best Books of the Year – Have nonfiction sections

[kirkusreviews.com/issue/best-of-2013/section/children/](https://www.kirkusreviews.com/issue/best-of-2013/section/children/)

[kirkusreviews.com/issue/best-of-2013/section/teen/](https://www.kirkusreviews.com/issue/best-of-2013/section/teen/)

School Library Journal

[slj.com/2012/11/featured/best-books-2012/](http://www.slj.com/2012/11/featured/best-books-2012/)

**BLOGS THAT INCLUDE COMMON CORE NONFICTION**

Great Common Core Nonfiction (Grades 6 and up) Blog by Kathleen Odean

Descriptions of books plus a possible tie-in to the standards, a fiction title, or a website.

[greatcommoncorenonfiction.com](http://www.greatcommoncorenonfiction.com)

Classroom Bookshelf Blog

Excellent blog with extensive entries on new K-8 books with ideas and resources for using them.

[classroombookshelf.blogspot.com/](http://www.classroombookshelf.blogspot.com/)

Great Kids Books

Substantial discussion of children’s books, including Common Core entries, for parents of children ages 4-14.

[greatkidbooks.blogspot.com/](http://greatkidbooks.blogspot.com/)

I.N.K. (Interesting Nonfiction for Kids)

Authors of high quality nonfiction for children and teens blog about their books and nonfiction in general.

[inkrethink.blogspot.com](http://inkrethink.blogspot.com/)

The Uncommon Corps Blog

Four authors/educators blog about Common Core nonfiction and provide resources on it.

nonfictionandthecommoncore.blogspot.com

**STEM AND STEAM RESOURCES**

California Department of Education

Explanation of STEM; links to online Resources; STEM goals for different grade levels

[cde.ca.gov/pd/ca/sc/stemintrod.asp](http://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ca/sc/stemintrod.asp)

## RIF (Reading is Fundamental) 2013 STEAM Multicultural Booklist (Grades Pre-K-5)

## 40 books plus activities

[rif.org/us/literacy-resources/multicultural/2012-multicultural-booklist.htm](http://www.rif.org/us/literacy-resources/multicultural/2012-multicultural-booklist.htm)

*School Library Journal’*s STEAM Pinterest Board

Dozens of programming ideas

[pinterest.com/sljournal/steam/](http://www.pinterest.com/sljournal/steam/)

ALSC Common Core Resources

STEM Programming Ideas for preschool, school age, family/all age programs

[simplystem.wikispaces.com/Welcome+to+Simply+S.T.E.M](http://simplystem.wikispaces.com/Welcome+to+Simply+S.T.E.M).

Madison PL “Library Makers”

Blog with tested hands-on programming ideas

[librarymakers.blogspot.com/](http://librarymakers.blogspot.com/)

PBS Design Squad Nation – “Engage Kids in Hands-on Engineering”

Activities and other resources around engineering for ages 9-12; many ideas that could be used for programs.

pbskids.org/designsquad/parentseducators/index.html

**RESOURCES FOR PRIMARY SOURCES**

Kathy Schrock’s Guide – Extensive links.

schrockguide.net/primary-sources.html

Livebinder Teaching with Primary Sources created by Mary Johnson - livebinders.com/play/play/4376

Library of Congress Prints & Photographs Division

[loc.gov/rr/print/](http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/)

Library of Congress American Memory curated collections

memory.loc.org

World Digital Library - Free access to manuscripts, rare books, maps, photographs, and other important cultural documents from all countries.

[wdl.org/en/](http://www.wdl.org/en/)

New York Public Library Digital Gallery/Historical Photographs

digitalgallery.nypl.org

Flickr Creative Commons – Search LOC, National Archives, and others

flickr.com/creativecommons/

OAC – Online Archives of California

oac.cdlib.org/

**LEXILE RESOURCES**

Lexile Framework for Reading – determines Lexile levels, provides search tool for books lexile.com/using-lexile/lexile-measures-and-the-ccssi

Common Core Standards Appendix A – Addresses text complexity and Lexiles. <http://www.corestandards.org/assets/Appendix_A.pdf>

Common Core Standards Supplement to Appendix A – Gives current Common Core Lexile goals. [corestandards.org/assets/E0813\_Appendix\_A\_New\_Research\_on\_Text\_Complexity.pdf](http://www.corestandards.org/assets/E0813_Appendix_A_New_Research_on_Text_Complexity.pdf)

**CHILDREN’S & YOUNG ADULT BOOKS IN WEBINAR**

Bishop, Nic. *Frogs.* 2008.

Bolden, Tonya. *Maritcha: A Remarkable Nineteenth-Century Girl.* 2004.

Calabro, Marian. *The Perilous Journey of the Donner Party.* 1999.

Corey, Shana. Illus. by Chesley McLaren. *You Forgot Your Skirt, Amelia Bloomer: A Very Improper Story.* 2000.

DeCristofano, Carolyn. *A Black Hole Is Not a Black Hole.* 2012.

Dendy, Leslie A., and Mel Boring. *Guinea Pig Scientists: Bold "Test Pilots" Of Science & Medicine.* 2005.

Floca, Brian. *Moonshot: The Flight of Apollo 11.* 2009.

Freedman, Russell. *The Wright Brothers: How They Invented the Airplane.* 1991.

Greenberg, Jan, and Sandra Jordan. *Vincent Van Gogh: Portrait of an Artist.* 2001.

McCarthy, Meghan. *The Story of Charles Atlas, Strong Man.* 2007.

McNamara, Margaret. Illus. by G. Brian Karas. *How Many Seeds in a Pumpkin?* 2007.

Murphy, Jim. *The Great Fire.* 1995.

Pinkney, Andrea Davis. Illus. by J. Brian Pinkney. *Duke Ellington: The Piano Prince and His Orchestra.* 1998.

Provensen, Alice and Martin Provensen. *The Year at Maple Hill Farm.* 1978.

Sheinkin, Steve. *Bomb: The Race to Build and Steal the World's Most Dangerous Weapon.* 2012.

St. George, Judith. Illus. by David Small. *So You Want to Be President?* 2004.

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