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**Checklist**



**What to do:** Review the list of text genres below. Place a check in the box next to each genre that’s available to the students and families in your program. On the next page, identify titles and sources to fill in any gaps you identify. You may want to ask a school or local librarian for recommendations that match your students’ ages, interests, and reading levels.

**Why it matters:** Access to materials written in various styles for a range of audiences and purposes can help students become proficient readers.

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| **Fiction** | **Narratives** |  | Fables | K-12 |
|  | Fairy Tales | K-5 |
|  | Fantasy | K-12 |
|  | Folk Tales | K-5 |
|  | Historical Fiction | K-5 |
|  | Myths and Legends | K-12 |
|  | Realistic Fiction | K-5 |
|  | Science Fiction | K-12 |
|  | Tall Tales | K-12 |
|  | Short Stories | 6-12 |
|  | Novels | 6-12 |
| **Poetry** |  | Nursery Rhymes | K-5 |
|  | Rhyming Poems | K-5 |
|  | Sonnets | 6-12 |
|  | Free Verse | 6-12 |
|  | Limericks | 6-12 |
|  | Haiku | 6-12 |
| **Drama** |  | Comedy | K-12 |
|  | Tragedy | K-12 |
|  | Melodrama | K-12 |
|  | Farce | K-12 |
| **Nonfiction** | **Narratives** |  | Biography | K-12 |
|  | Autobiography | K-12 |
|  | Memoir | K-12 |
| **Informational Pieces** |  | Description | K-12 |
|  | Chronology/Sequence | K-12 |
|  | Compare and Contrast | K-12 |
|  | Cause and Effect | K-12 |
|  | Problem and Solution | K-12 |
|  | Essays | 6-12 |
|  | Speeches | 6-12 |
|  | Opinion Pieces | 6-12 |
|  | Journalism | 6-12 |
|  | Historical or Scientific Documents | 6-12 |

## Fill Your Gaps! Identify New Titles/Sources for Your Library

| **Grades** | **Genre** | **Suggested Titles/Sources** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| K-12 | Fables |  |
| K-5 | Fairy Tales |  |
| K-12 | Fantasy |  |
| K-5 | Folk Tales |  |
| K-5 | Historical Fiction |  |
| K-12 | Myths and Legends |  |
| K-5 | Realistic Fiction |  |
| K-12 | Science Fiction |  |
| K-12 | Tall Tales |  |
| 6-12 | Short Stories |  |
| 6-12 | Novels |  |
| K-5 | Nursery Rhymes |  |
| K-5 | Rhyming Poems |  |
| 6-12 | Sonnets |  |
| 6-12 | Free Verse |  |
| 6-12 | Limericks |  |
| 6-12 | Haiku |  |
| K-12 | Comedy |  |
| K-12 | Tragedy |  |
| K-12 | Melodrama |  |
| K-12 | Farce |  |
| K-12 | Biography |  |
| K-12 | Autobiography |  |
| K-12 | Memoir |  |
| K-12 | Description |  |
| K-12 | Chronology/Sequence |  |
| K-12 | Compare and Contrast |  |
| K-12 | Cause and Effect |  |
| K-12 | Problem and Solution |  |
| 6-12 | Essays |  |
| 6-12 | Speeches |  |
| 6-12 | Opinion Pieces |  |
| 6-12 | Journalism |  |
| 6-12 | Historical or Scientific Documents |  |

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