

**Reading Special Emphases**  
as listed in the AR ELA Framework  
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Grade Level	Prose	Poetry	Practical	Content
K	Variety	Familiar Poems, Nursery Rhymes, Finger Plays	Labels, Environmental Print	Non-fiction
1	Variety of Stories, Plays, and Predictable Books	Couplets, Acrostics	Lunch Menus, Learning Charts	Simple Informational Books
2	Fairy Tales, Folk Tales	Quatrains, Shape Poems	Labels, Announcements, Instructions, Invitations	Descriptive Formats
3	Tall Tales, Fables	Cinquains, Diamantes	Menus, Recipes, Maps	Sequential Formats
4	Mysteries, Realistic Fiction	Free Verse, Limericks	Brochures, Newspapers, Magazine Articles	Comparative Formats
5	Historical Fiction, Biographies, Realistic Fiction	Rhymed, Patterned	Catalogs, Schedules, Diagrams	Textbooks, Newspapers, Magazines, Instructional Material
6	Historical Fiction, Autobiographies, Realistic Fiction	Narrative, Ballads	Advertisements, Slogans, Brochures, Timelines	Textbooks, Newspapers, Magazines, Instructional Material
7	Short Stories, Science Fiction, Legends, Myths	Lyric Poetry	Forms, Reports, Cover Letters, Letterheads, Business Letters	Variety
8	Essays, Plays	Free Verse	Manuals, Memos, Job Applications, Career Guides	Variety

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9	Wide Variety including selections from American, British, and/or world literature	Narrative, Ballad, Epic	Advertisements, Warranties, Manuals, Handbooks, Agendas, Labels, Warnings, Directions	Variety
10	Wide Variety including selections from American, British, and/or world literature	Lyric Poetry, Odes, Sonnets	Advertisements, Warranties, Manuals, Job and Career Descriptions, Applications	Variety
11	Wide Variety including selections from American, British, and/or world literature	Free Verse	Advertisements, Warranties, Manuals, Handbooks, Agendas, Labels, Warnings, Directions, College Catalogs, Financial Documents	Variety
12	Wide Variety including selections from American, British, and/or world literature	Free Verse, Formal Verse, Narrative Poetry, Lyric Poetry	Advertisements, Warranties, Manuals, Handbooks, Agendas, Labels, Warnings, Directions, College Catalogs, Financial Documents, Contracts	Variety