



EXPEDITIONARY
LEARNING

Grade 5: Module 3B: Unit 3:

Recommended Texts



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The list below includes texts with a range of Lexile® text measures about the folktale, myths, and legends of the Inuit. This provides appropriate independent reading for each student to help build content knowledge about the topic. Note that districts and schools should consider their own community standards when reviewing this list. Some texts in particular units or modules address emotionally difficult content.

It is imperative that students read a high volume of texts at their reading level in order to continue to build the academic vocabulary and fluency demanded by the CCLS.

Where possible, texts in languages other than English are also provided. Texts are categorized into three Lexile measures that correspond to Common Core Bands: below grade band, within band, and above band. Note, however, that Lexile® measures are just one indicator of text complexity, and teachers must use their professional judgment and consider qualitative factors as well. For more information, see Appendix 1 of the Common Core State Standards.

Common Core Band Level Text Difficulty Ranges:

(As provided in the NYSED Passage Selection Guidelines for Assessing CCSS ELA)

- Grades 2–3: 420–820L
- Grades 4–5: 740–1010L
- Grades 6–8: 925–1185L

Title	Author and Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
Lexile text measures below band level (under 740L)			
<i>The Polar Bear Son: An Inuit Tale</i>	Lydia Dabovich (author)	Literature	470
<i>Arctic Stories</i>	Michael Kusugak (author) Vladyana Krykorka (illustrator)	Literature	510*
<i>Kamik: An Inuit Puppy Story</i>	Donald Uluadluak (author) Qin Leng (illustrator)	Literature	660*
<i>Earth Care: World Folktales to Talk About</i>	Margaret Read McDonald (author)	Literature	690
<i>Inuit</i>	Barbara A. Gray-Kanatiiosh (author) David Kanietakeron Fadden (illustrator)	Informational	740*

*Lexile based on a conversion from Accelerated Reading level.



Title	Author and Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
Lexile text measures within band level (740L–1010L)			
<i>Igloos and Inuit Life</i>	Louise Spilsbury (author)	Informational	750
<i>Under the Ice</i>	Rachel A. Qitsualik (author) Jae Korim (illustrator)	Literature	800*
<i>Ookpik: The Travels of a Snowy Owl</i>	Bruce Hiscock (author)	Literature	810*
<i>The Legend of the Fog</i>	Qaunaq Mikkigak and Joanne Schwartz (authors) Danny Christopher (illustrator)	Literature	850*
<i>The Inuit</i>	Brian Alexander and Cherry Alexander (authors)	Informational	860*
<i>The Inuit</i>	Kevin Cunningham and Peter Benoit (authors)	Informational	910
<i>Kaugjagjuk</i>	Marion Lewis (author) Kim Smith (illustrator)	Informational	900*
<i>Inuit History and Culture</i>	Helen Dwyer and Michael Burgan (authors)	Informational	980*

*Lexile based on a conversion from Accelerated Reading level.



Title	Author and Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
Lexile text measures above band level (over 1010L)			
<i>Stories of the Amautalik: Fantastic Beings from Inuit Myths and Legends</i>	Neil Christopher (author) Larry McDougall (illustrator) Louise Flaherty (translator)	Literature	no1xl
<i>Stones, Bones, and Stitches: Storytelling through Inuit Art</i>	Shelley Falconer and Shawna White (authors)	Informational	no1xl
<i>Magic Words: From the Ancient Oral Tradition of the Inuit</i>	Mike Blanc (author) Edward Field (translator)	Poetry	NP