

RECOMMENDED TEXTS FOR INDEPENDENT READING

4th Grade Literature

UNIT 3: THE WILD BOOK

Texts with Connecting Topics and Themes

Believing in yourself:

- *Tom's Special Talent - Dyslexia* by Kate Gaynor (NL)*
- *Knees: The mixed up world of a boy with dyslexia* by Vanita Oelschlager (NL)*
- *Ghosts* by Raina Telgemeier (GN300L)
- *Rules* by Cynthia Lord (670L)
- *Out of My Mind* by Sharon Draper (700L)
- Hank Zipzer series by Henry Winkler (760-780L)*
- *El Deafo* by Cece Bell (NL)
- *Counting by 7s* by Holly Goldberg Solan (770L)
- *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio (790L)
- *The Color of My Words* by Lynn Joseph (840L)

Informational Texts to Build Content Knowledge

- *Dyslexia is My Superpower (Most of the Time)* by Margaret Rooke (NL)
- *My Havana: Memories of a Cuban Boyhood* by Rosemary Wells (760L)
- *National Geographic Countries of the World: Cuba* by Jen Green (990L)**

Additional Texts by the Author

- *The Surrender Tree: Poems of Cuba's Struggle for Freedom* by Margarita Engle (NL)**
- *All the Way to Havana* by Margarita Engle (890L)
- *Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings: A Memoir* by Margarita Engle (1120L)**

* lower Lexile or qualitative measures than core text

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