

## RECOMMENDED TEXTS FOR INDEPENDENT READING

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Science and Social Studies

#### UNIT 4: ENERGY

##### Informational Texts to Build Content Knowledge

- *Energy* (DK Eyewitness Books series) by Dan Green (NL)
- *Wind Power: Sailboats, Windmills, and Wind Turbines* (True Books series) by Matthew Ziem (NL)
- *Running on Sunshine: How Does Solar Energy Work?* by Carolyn Cinami DeCristofano (NL)\*
- *Solar Power: Capturing the Sun's Energy* (True Books series) by Laurie Brearley (960L)
- *Geothermal Energy: The Energy Inside our Planet* (True Book series) by Laurie Brearley (910L)
- *Water Power: Energy from Rivers, Waves, and Tides* (True Book series) by Laurie Brearley (930L)
- *The Next Wave: The Quest to Harness the Power of the Oceans* (Scientists in the Field series) by Elizabeth Rusch (1070L)\*\*
- *What's So Bad About Gasoline?: Fossil Fuels and What They Do* by Anne Rockwell (NL)
- *Global Warming Alert!* by Dr. Richard Cheel (NC1150L)

##### Fiction Texts with Connecting Topics and Themes

- *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind, Young Reader's Edition* by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer (860L)
- *Crunch* by Leslie Connor (HL490L)\*

\* lower Lexile or qualitative measures than core text

\*\* higher Lexile or qualitative measures than core text