

## Common Core Shifts in Reading

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With the Common Core State Standards, students will be reading more and more informational text as they progress through grade levels and spans. High quality literature will always be a cornerstone in every students' curriculum, but, as we focus on "College and Career Readiness", there is a need to ensure that students also know how to read, evaluate, and utilize informational (non-fiction) text, as that is the type of reading primarily used in college and career settings. This shift will not just require the addition of more informational text, but teaching students "how" to read different types of informational texts- including journals, charts, graphs, scientific documents, primary sources, etc. This provides a wonderful opportunity to connect student learning to real life and deepen their understanding of key concepts and standards.

Grade	Literary	Informational
4	50%	50%
8	45%	55%
12	30%	70%