NELSON LITERACY DIRECTIONS

The complete literacy series for years 4–8



Nelson Literacy Directions & Nelson Literacy Directions Comprehension





Nelson Literacy Directions is a core literacy program for students in middle and upper primary.

The fine-grade levelling featured throughout the program provides scaffolded support for students at different stages of learning, enabling them to build on early literacy learning. Students are supported in learning how to use the English language fluently to make meaning and to confidently create their own texts in a range of modes.

With an emphasis on word, sentence, paragraph, whole text and visual comprehension, *Nelson Literacy Directions* encourages the use of the structural levels of text to make meaning.

The program provides a wide variety of printed and electronic texts for explicit instruction in written language, oral language, visual literacy and critical literacy.

Each year level comprises:

- ◆ Levelled fiction books
- ◆ Levelled non-fiction books
- ◆ Big Books with IWB software
- Exemplar Card Kits

- ◆ Comprehension Card Kits with Digital Texts + TRB CD-ROM
- Interactive Activities
- ◆ Audio-Visual Resources DVD
- ◆ Teacher's Resource Book with CD-ROM.



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Take a new direction in literacy learning...

➤ Comprehension and Higher-Order Thinking Skills

Inferential comprehension is built into *Nelson Literacy Directions* books and Exemplar Cards. The Comprehension Cards focus on core comprehension skills and strategies, allowing for an integrated approach to teaching and the application of higher-order thinking skills.

→ Text Types

The **Nelson Literacy Directions** cards feature exemplar persuasive, imaginative

and informative texts, covering the nine key text types. Presented in a magazine style, the texts are engaging and relevant to the personal interests of students.

▶ Reading, Writing, Viewing, Speaking and Listening

Nelson Literacy Directions provides a variety of resources for shared, guided and independent reading. Multimodal texts, cards and activities relate to comprehension, writing, speaking and listening.

⇒ Development Pathways

Flexible development pathways enable teachers to manage mixed-ability levels in their classrooms.

➡ Fine-Grade Levelling

The fine-grade reading levels support students and teachers to meet national assessment benchmarks.

▶ ICT

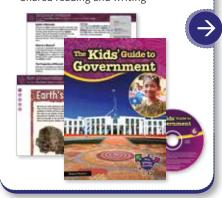
Information and communication technology is integrated throughout.

Suggested teaching pathways

MODELLED/SHARED

Big Books with IWB Software and Comprehension Exemplar Digital Texts Software

- · Whole-class instruction
- Modelled reading, writing and comprehension
- Shared reading and writing



GUIDED/INDEPENDENT

Levelled Fiction and Non-Fiction Books, Exemplar Cards and Comprehension Cards

- Small-group instruction
- Guided reading, writing and comprehension



INDEPENDENT

Interactive Student Activities and BLMs

- Independent application
- Independent reading, writing and comprehension



MODELLED/SHARED/INDEPENDENT

Audio-Visual Resources and Video Resources

 Multimodal texts for stimulating class discussion or individual writing



Levelled Fiction & Non-Fiction Texts Interactive Activities



Fiction Texts

With humour, adventure and intriguing storylines, *Nelson Literacy Directions* fiction texts will engage middle-and upper-primary readers from the first page! The carefully levelled fiction titles expose young readers to a variety of text forms and genres, including science fiction, reader's theatre (plays), mystery, adventure, poetry and traditional and realistic fiction.

Non-Fiction Texts

Nelson Literacy Directions non-fiction texts are full of fascinating, high-interest information and feature a wide variety of visual elements including stunning illustrations and photography, captions, headings, labels, graphs, lists and fact boxes. Each text includes a chapter providing an exemplary model of one of the nine key text types – recount, description, information report, narrative, procedure, exposition, explanation, discussion and response.



Levelled Fiction & Non-Fiction Texts Interactive Activities





Exposition Text Type

Exemplar text types within each non-fiction book.



Authentic 'Real World' Text

Perfect for guided/ independent reading.

Interactive Student Activities CD-ROM*

There is an Interactive Student Activities CD-ROM for each *Nelson Literacy Directions* fiction and non-fiction book.

The CD-ROMs feature Interactive Student Activities for each of the levelled texts to provide independent practice in:

- comprehension
- spelling
- vocabulary
- writing skills.



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The self-correcting Interactive Student Activities provide immediate feedback.



Big Books with IWB Software

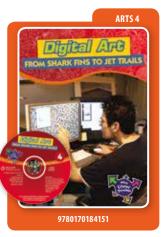


Non-Fiction Big Books with IWB Software

There are three non-fiction big books with IWB software for each **Nelson Literacy Directions** level. The stunning big books feature a range of explicit text-type exemplars and authentic 'real-world' texts for modelled and shared reading sessions.

The interactive whiteboard software allows students and teachers to work together to examine the texts in detail. Functionality includes text editing, colour coding, note-making and a magnifier tool. Text structure, language features and design features are highlighted in the exemplar texts.



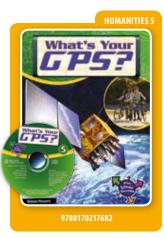




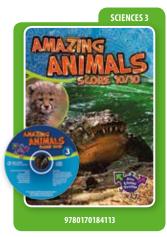


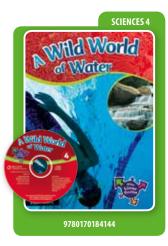


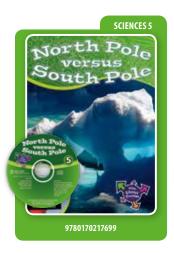














Teacher Resources Audio-Visual Resources



Audio-Visual Resources DVD*

There is an Audio-Visual Resources DVD for each level of **Nelson Literacy Directions**.

The DVDs feature:

- multimodal texts linked thematically or by text type to the big books, levelled texts and exemplar cards
- engaging audio-visual clips to support speaking and listening activities
- content to stimulate class discussion and individual writing.





The multimodal texts are linked thematically or by text type to the big books, levelled exemplar texts and

Engaging audio-visual clips support speaking and listening activities.

Teacher's Resource Books with CD-ROM

There is a Teacher's Resource Book for each level of **Nelson Literacy Directions**.

The Teacher's Resource Books feature:

- lesson plans based on the big books, levelled texts and exemplar cards
- two BLMs for each levelled text to support grammar and writing activities.
 The printable BLMs are provided on the CD-ROM.

The Teacher's Resource Books have been designed to support guided reading, visual literacy, critical literacy and writing, speaking and listening activities.





Download demo software from:

Www.nelsonprimary.co.nz/
nelsonliteracydirections

Exemplar Cards

Explicitly teach text types and reinforce comprehension skills and strategies



Comprehension Cards Digital Texts

Explicitly teach comprehension skills and strategies





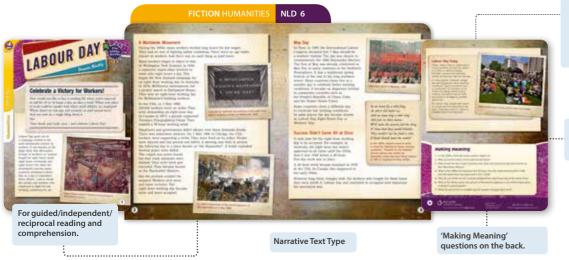
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EXEMPLAR CARDS 4

The Nelson Literacy Directions Exemplar Card Kits provide carefully levelled fiction and non-fiction texts for additional guided and independent reading practice across a range of text types and text forms. Each Nelson Literacy Directions Exemplar Card Kit comprises six copies of 27 different cards.

EXEMPLAR CARDS 3

The cards come packaged in a handy storage box for easy access.





The cards include the following key text types: recount, description rmation report, narrative, procedure, exposition, xplanation, discussion and

Exemplar cards support the Arts, Humanities and Sciences learning areas.





COMPREHENSION CARDS 4

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Nelson Literacy Directions Comprehension explicitly teaches the core comprehension strategies and skills students need to make meaning from text. Comprising 162 levelled cards and 9 digital texts at each level, Nelson Literacy Directions Comprehension deconstructs the comprehension process, enabling students to focus on their reading comprehension and understanding.



COMPREHENSION CARDS 3

A range of text types and text forms.

'Strategy to Skill' questions on the



Core Comprehension Skills

The core comprehension skills, or thinking processes, are used automatically by proficient readers.

- Making Connections
- Asking Questions
- Evaluating/Synthesising Information
- ◆ Determining Important Ideas
- Visualising
- Making Inferences.

Core Comprehension Strategies

The core comprehension strategies are the tools that readers use when making meaning from text.

- Cause and Effect
- Compare and Contrast
- Draw Conclusions
- ◆ Fact and Opinion
- Figurative Language
- Main Points and Bigger Idea
- ◆ Problem and Solution
- Summarise the Text
- ♦ Visual Elements.

COMPARE THE BOXES	Number of Exemplar Cards	Format	Purpose	Literal Comprehension	Inferential Comprehension	Visual Inferential Comprehension	Response Comprehension	Answers	Text Types Examples	Text Forms	Blackline Master Activity Sheets	Lesson Plans	Exemplar Digital Texts
Nelson Literacy Directions Exemplar Cards	162	4 Pages	Explicit teaching of exemplar text types. Practice, application and reinforcement of comprehension strategies and skills. Guided and Independent Reading	One warm-up	Four inferential questions at the word, sentence, paragraph and whole text	One inferential	One response	Answers provided in TRB (separate purchase)	Narrative, Recount, Response, Description,	Blogs, Diaries, Letters, Graphic Fiction, Traditional Tales, Poetry,	2–3 activities per title in Teacher's Resource Book (separate purchase)	Detailed lesson plans provided in Teacher's Resource Books (separate purchase)	
Nelson Literacy Directions Comprehension Cards	(6 copies of 27 titles)	6 Pages	Explicit instruction in comprehension strategies and skills. For modelling comprehension, reading and writing. Guided and Independent Reading	literal question	Four inferential questions applying the focus strategies and skills	visual question	question	Answers provided on CD packaged in the box	Exposition, Explanation, Information Report, Procedure, Discussion	Technical Reports, Debates, Reader's Theatre, Presentations	2 Blackline Master activities per title (provided as PDFs on CD packaged in the box)	Detailed lesson plans provided on CD packaged in the box	9 digital texts deconstructing comprehension strategies, text structure, language features and design features. 9 thematically linked video clips

Comprehension Cards Digital Texts

Explicitly teach comprehension skills and strategies



Exemplar Digital Texts Software

The Nelson Literacy Directions Comprehension Exemplar Digital Texts software is designed for modelling the use of the core comprehension strategies and skills via whole-class explicit instruction. There is an Exemplar Digital Text for each of the nine key text types:

Recount

Description

- ◆ Information Report
- Procedure
- Explanation
- Discussion

Response

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COMPREHENSION BOX

Narrative

- Exposition

Functionality includes text editing, annotations and note-making.



Nelson Literacy Directions Comprehension 5, Eating Your Words. Text Type: Description.



Text presentation

Examine the complete text with all visual elements.



Language features

Examine the language features that are characteristic of each key text type.



Design features

Examine the visual elements that support the text and add information.



Comprehension

Highlight text clues relevant for various core comprehension strategies.



Video

Provides a short multimodal text for each Exemplar Digital Text. Clips are connected thematically to the Exemplar Digital Texts.



Text structure

Examine the structure that is characteristic of each key text type.

Exemplar Digital Texts are available on CD-ROM and at nldcomprehension.com for use on PCs, iPads, Android tablets and interactive whiteboards.



The Teacher's Resource CD-ROM

The Teacher's Resource CD-ROM features:

- Lesson plans for the Exemplar Digital Texts, designed for whole-class modelling of reading, writing and comprehension strategies and skills
- Lesson plans for the Levelled Comprehension Cards, designed for guided reading focusing on the core comprehension strategies and skills.

Lesson Plans

- Lesson plans for the 9 digital texts and 27 printed cards
- Notes on comprehension, visual literacy, vocabulary in context, grammatical patterns and critical literacy
- Answers to the 'Strategy to Skill' comprehension questions.

Each Lesson plan includes notes on the following areas:

- Comprehension
- Visual Literacy
- Vocabulary in Context
- **Grammatical Patterns**
- Critical Literacy

Printable Blackline Masters activities:

- Analysing the texts in relation to each of the core comprehension strategies and skills
- Analysing the texts in relation to grammatical patterns
- Independent writing activities to extend beyond the text.

Literal, Inferential & Visual Comprehension



The series approaches comprehension in two ways; using higher–order thinking skills to solve problems and teaching students the strategies and skills they need to make meaning from text.

Making Meaning - Fiction and Non-fiction Books and Exemplar Cards

For each fiction and non-fiction book the Teacher Resource Books provide:

- 2 literal questions
- 8 inferential questions (at the word, sentence, paragraph and whole text level)
- ♦ 2 inferential questions that relate to visual comprehension
- ◆ 2 response questions
- Answers.

All Exemplar Cards feature 'Making Meaning' questions on the back:

- ◆ 1 literal question
- 4 inferential questions (at the word, sentence, paragraph and whole text level)
- ◆ 1 inferential question that relates to visual comprehension
- ◆ 1 response question.

Answers are provided in the Teacher's Resource Book.

Inferential comprehension question at the word level
Inferential comprehension question at the sentence level
Inferential comprehension question at the paragraph level
Inferential comprehension question at the text level
Inferential comprehension question at the text level
Inferential comprehension question at the text and visual level

Making Meaning

- 1 Where had the boat at the wharf come from?
- 2 How are free emigrants different from convicts?
- 3 Why did the young boy offer to carry the bags for the gentleman?
- 4 Why did one of the boys say, Serves him right?
- 5 What is the moral of this story?
- 6 How can you tell which parts of the written text are being spoken?
- 7 Do you think the woman in the story did the right thing supporting the boys, or was she interfering?

Strategy to Skill – Comprehension Cards

The Comprehension Cards include 'Strategy to Skill' questions on the back:

1 literal question

Response question

- 4 inferential questions focusing on a comprehension skill
- 1 inferential question that relates to visual comprehension
- 1 inferential question that relates to visual comprehension
- 1 response question

Answers are provided on the accompanying Teacher's Resource CD-ROM.

Strategy to Skill (Literal comprehension) What are graphic novels? Literal comprehension question (Determining important ideas - cause and effect) What would be some suitable locations for public art that would make it accessible to more people? Inferential comprehension questions that require readers to apply the card's focus comprehension (Determining important ideas – compare and contrast) How does the public art on page 2 make the area skill combined with relevant core comprehension more interesting? (Determining important ideas - compare and contrast) How can artists earn a living from their work? (Determining important ideas - summarise the text) What are the main arguments for and against public Inferential comprehension question that relates (Determining important ideas – visual elements) How does the sculpture of Little Bull compare with the to the visual elements of the card sculpture of Vault? -- 7 (Response) What is your opinion about public art? Do you love it or loathe it? Why? Response question



TEXT TYPE: NARRATIVE

COMPREHENSION SKILL

TEXT TYPE: RESPONSE

COMPREHENSION SKILL:

TEXT TYPE: EXPLANATION

COMPREHENSION SKILL

TEXT TYPES: INFORMATION REPORT,

PROCEDURE

TEXT TYPES: RECOUNT, PROCEDURE

COMPREHENSION SKILL:

PROCEDURE

COMPREHENSION SKILL: DETERMINING IMPORTANT IDEAS TEXT TYPE: DISCUSSION

COMPREHENSION SKILL:

TEXT TYPE: DESCRIPTION

COMPREHENSION SKILL

TEXT TYPE: EXPLANATION

COMPREHENSION SKILL:

EVALUATING/SYNTHESISING INFORMATION

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TEXT TYPE: EXPOSITION

COMPREHENSION SKILL: DETERMINING IMPORTANT TEXT TYPE: DESCRIPTION

COMPREHENSION SKILL: MAKING CONNECTIONS TEXT TYPE: EXPLANATION

COMPREHENSION SKILL: EVALUATING/SYNTHESISING INFORMATION

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TEXT TYPE: INFORMATION REPORT

TEXT TYPE: DESCRIPTION

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TEXT TYPE: EXPOSITION

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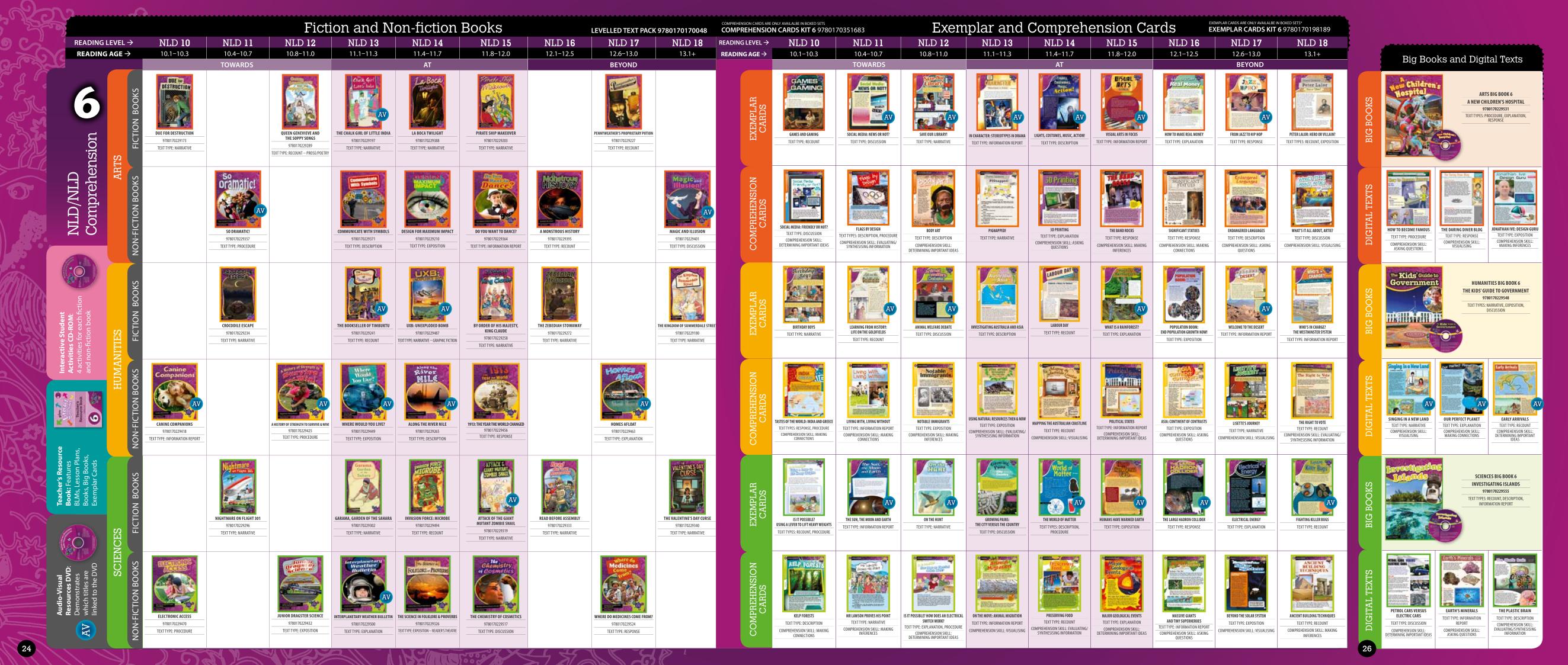
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NELSON LITERACY DIRECTIONS

FICTION BOOKS

18 fiction books for each year level featuring humorous, adventurous and engaging storylines.



NLD 3

NLD 4

NON-FICTION BOOKS

18 non-fiction books for each year level. High-interest and fascinating content to support the the Arts, Humanities and Sciences learning areas.



STUDENT INTERACTIVE **ACTIVITIES**

Three big books for each year level. Featuring high-interest, fascinating content to support the Arts, Humanities and Sciences learning areas. IWB software included with each book.

AUDIO-VISUAL RESOUCES Multimodal texts for each year level to support speaking and listening skills.

TEACHER'S RESOURCE

Lesson plans for each fiction and non-fiction text, big books and exemplar cards plus grammar and writing BLMs for the fiction and non-fiction texts.

162 text type exemplar cards (6 copies of 27 titles). High-interest text types, exemplars with a focus on inferential

COMPREHENSION CARDS 162 comprehension exemplar cards (6 copies of 27 titles), 9 digital texts,

comprehension skills and strategies.

EXEMPLAR CARDS

comprehension.

BOOKS

BIG BOOKS

Comprehension, vocabulary, spelling and writing activities for each fiction and non-fiction book.















	NLD/NLDC Reading Level	NOMINAL Reading Age
	NLD7	9.1-9.3
Towards	NLD8	9.4-9.7
	NLD9	9.8-10.0
	NLD10	10.1-10.3
At	NLD11	10.4-10.7
	NLD12	10.8-11.0
	NLD13	11.1-11.3
Beyond	NLD14	11.4-11.7
	NLD15	11.8-12.0





















NLD 6















NLD 3



	NLD/NLDC Reading Level	NOMINAL Reading Age
	NLD1	7.5-7.6
Towards	NLD2	7.7-7.8
	NLD3	7.9-8.0
	NLD4	8.1-8.3
At	NLD5	8.4-8.7
	NLD6	8.8-9.0
	NLD7	9.1-9.3
Beyond	NLD8	9.4-9.7
	NLD9	9.8-10.0

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	NLD/NLDC Reading Level	NOMINAL Reading Age
	NLD4	8.1-8.3
Towards	NLD5	8.4-8.7
	NLD6	8.8-9.0
	NLD7	9.1-9.3
At	NLD8	9.4-9.7
	NLD9	9.8-10.0
	NLD10	10.1-10.3
Beyond	NLD11	10.4-10.7
	NLD12	10.8-11.0

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11.1-11.3	NLD13	
11.4-11.7	NLD14	At
11.8-12.0	NLD15	
12.1-12.5	NLD16	
12.6-13.0	NLD17	Beyond
13.1+	NLD18	