

Text Complexity Analysis Template

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Text and Author	<u>Schooled</u> - Gordon Korman	Where to Access Text	Amazon link: http://www.amazon.com/Schooled-Gordon-Korman/dp/1423105168/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1407244683&sr=8-1&keywords=schooled
Text Description			
<p>This is a fictional chapter that introduces the main character in this text, Capricorn Anderson. The structure/layout of this book consists of a different characters point of view for each chapter. Cap Anderson has grown up on a farm commune his entire life while homeschooled by his grandmother.</p>			
Quantitative			
Lexile and Grade Level	740L (grades 3-5)	Text Length	Chapter 1 (pg. 3-9)
Qualitative			
Meaning/Central Ideas		Text Structure/Organization	
<p>Central Idea for chapter 1: The main character, Cap Anderson grew up on a farm commune isolated from society. When he is forced to leave the commune he faces many challenges. Central Ideas for overall text: Individuality, change, bullying</p>		<p>This is the opening chapter of this fictional novel. Each chapter is the perspective of a different character.</p>	
Prior Knowledge Demands		Language Features	
<p>The students should be able to describe how a speaker’s point of view influences how events are described. (Teacher may want to review subject of point of view)</p>		<p>This is a conversational novel with a mix of tier 1 and tier 2 vocabulary words.</p>	
Potential Reader/Task Challenges			
<p>Previous knowledge and understanding that author is able to use point of view to convey their message through characters in the story. Certain pertinent vocabulary words may need discussion prior to reading such as, commune.</p>			
Big Takeaway			
<p>Students will be able to explain how an author develops the point of view of the speaker in the text.</p>			

Vocabulary Analysis Template

	Words that demand less teaching time (i.e. the definition is singular and concrete)	Words that demand more teaching time (i.e. words with multiple meanings and/or that are part of a word family)
Words that can be determined in context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -goggled -blankly -superior -amid -extensive -malaria 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -limb -scale -faint -contorted -admitting
Words that cannot be determined in context	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -community -alternative -social security card -able-bodied -ruttled -barometer -decagon -perpendicular -vague -recollections -Zen Buddhism -psychedelic -micro-processor -foucault pendulum -emphasis -whump -physical therapy 	<p>-commune</p>