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Complexity • Range • Quality Common Core Success

Look no further to find a resource to support these essential elements that make up the **Common Core**:

- Shift to **Informational Text**—122,000+ academically vetted articles exploding with informational text
- Build **Vocabulary**—Find articles and resources with content-specific vocabulary
- Close Read **Primary Sources**—Thousands of primary and secondary source documents
- Deeper Evidence Based **Research**—Over 1,100 world newspapers, updated daily, feature news stories covering science and social studies, and supporting videos
- Increase **Text Complexity**—Multiple articles (all lexiled) and resources, at varying reading levels on the same subject
- Identify and analyze **Point of View**—Culture Cross compare and contrast feature, and Pro/Con Debate topics with lesson plans

The screenshot shows the Scholastic Library Publishing website interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for Articles, News Stories, Fast Facts, Magazines, Websites, Media, and Spanish. Below the tabs, a search bar shows 'Articles' selected. The search results for 'Japan' are displayed, showing 3048 results. A callout box on the right says 'Blended resources of curated content!'. On the left, a 'Key to Reading Levels' table is visible, and another callout box states 'Content available at multiple reading levels to meet the needs of your school community'.

Key to Reading Levels:	
<p>1</p> <p>Reading Level 1 Grades 5 & under Lexile 200-800 ATOS 5.9 & under GRL A-V</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Reading Level 2 Grades 5-8 Lexile 801-1000 ATOS 5.0-8.9 GRL Q-Z</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Reading Level 3 Grades 8-12 Lexile 1001-1200 ATOS 8.0-12.9</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Reading Level 4 Grades 11 & up Lexile 1200+ ATOS 11.0+</p>

Content available at multiple reading levels to meet the needs of your school community

- Lexile levels
- Grade ranges
- Guided Reading Level ranges
- ATOS ranges

Blended resources of curated content!

Found 3048 result(s) in your search for:

Japan

- 4** **Japan** [Lexile: 1300]
Encyclopedia Americana
Japan, an island country of Asia, situated off the eastern coast of the continent.
- 3** **Japan** [Lexile: 1190]
Grolier Multimedia Encyclopedia
Japan is one of the world's leading industrial and trading nations and the first nation in Asia to develop a technologically advanced industrial economy.
- 2** **Japan** [Lexile: 1000]
The New Book of Knowledge
Japan is an island nation of East Asia.
- 1** **Japan** [Lexile: 740]
The New Book of Knowledge
Japan is a country in East Asia.
- 3** **Japan** [Lexile: 1100]
Lands and Peoples
Japan is a nation of East Asia that consists of four large islands and many smaller ones.
- 4** **Japan: History—Modern Japan** [Lexile: 1290]
Encyclopedia Americana
Japan: History—Modern Japan. Japan's modern history is a fascinating example of the development of a contemporary state.

Build your own lesson plan with our Common Core Solution!

- Instant access to authentic pieces of text in multiple formats, multiple perspectives, in a wide range of Lexile Levels, allowing in-depth investigation into topics as students work their way up the staircase of text complexity.
- Access to thousands of rigorously vetted pieces including articles, bios, video, audio, maps, graphs, and thousands of primary and secondary source documents allowing students to draw information from a wide range of sources.

How will your students and educators benefit from our solution?

Compare and Contrast

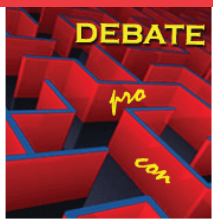
LANDS and PEOPLES ONLINE Culture Cross

Japan	United States
<p>The Land</p> <p>The more than 3,000 Japanese islands form a long, relatively narrow chain, lying about 100 to 500 mi. (160 to 800 km.) off the east coast of Asia. From north to south, its four main islands are Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku, and Kyushu. Superimposed on a map of North America, they would stretch from Montreal, Canada, almost to the Gulf of Mexico. The most densely populated part of Japan, the island of Honshu, lies on the same latitude as North Carolina. The islands are bounded on the east by the Pacific Ocean and on the west by the Sea of Japan, the Korea Strait, and the East China Sea.</p> <p>In area, Japan is smaller than France, yet its population is twice France's in size, with most Japanese squeezed into lowland plains that lie mainly along the seacoasts. More than 80 percent of Japan is covered with jagged mountains that are virtually uninhabitable, and only about 12 percent of Japan's land area is suitable for cultivation. Nonetheless, Japanese farms are so productive that, along with Japan's fishing fleet, they supply more than 70 percent of the nation's food.</p> <p>The largest lowland plain is the region around Japan's capital city, Tokyo, on Honshu's southeast coast. Nearly 12 million people live in the Tokyo metropolitan area, which has one of the highest concentrations of people in the world. Besides</p>	<p>The Land</p> <p>Spanning the middle latitudes of North America, the United States rises and falls over many enormous landforms that run roughly north to south from Canada to Mexico. The first landform encountered by European explorers and settlers was the eastern coastal plain.</p> <p>Eastern Coastal Plain</p> <p>Low and often swampy, the eastern coastal plain extends inland from the Atlantic Ocean and Gulf of Mexico. It begins as a narrow strip of sandy beach along the rocky northeastern coast of Maine, then widens into a broad, flat plain around the Chesapeake Bay. This fertile flatland covers most of Virginia and the Carolinas, much of Georgia, and all of Florida before angling west across the Gulf coasts of Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas.</p> <p>Offshore from the eastern coastal plain, sandbars and barrier islands form a broken fringe that in places protects the mainland from the open surf of the Atlantic Ocean.</p> <p>Most rivers east of the Continental Divide pass through this coastal plain on their way to the sea. Once they enter this</p>

◀ Teachers have easy access to critical components of effective common core instruction. Tools to:

- Help students conduct analysis, and compare ideas, concepts and texts
- Conduct classroom debates
- Help students collaborate on projects
- Build academic vocabulary

Analyze and Support Arguments



TEACHERS' GUIDE

- Lesson Plan

ARCHIVE

PRO **Do Standardized Tests Work?** **CON**

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Introduction

Everyone has taken a standardized test. Any student, past or present, knows what it's like to check the clock, work out the solution to a tricky problem, a list of options, and then move on to the next question. Not only students, but job candidates, soldiers, and applicants of all kinds take standardized tests.

Lately, students are taking more standardized tests. And while students are the ones who take them, teachers, parents, school administrators, lawmakers all have a stake in these tests. The growing practice of standardized testing involves the whole world of education.

Standardized tests are just that—standardized—meaning that a given test is designed to be the same for everyone who takes it. Standardized tests can be over a period of time, and the results from those places or times can be compared. Because their results are repeatable in this way, standardized tests measurement. They provide data that the people who give the tests want to collect.

When people discuss the merits of these tests, they ask how useful the data they provide really is. They question whether having that data is worth the time into preparing for and administering the tests. They debate whether the tests are fair, and if they measure what they are designed to measure. In the end, the answer is for certain: nobody can seem to agree about the answers to all these questions.

▲ A vast reservoir of interactive content for whiteboard lessons, small group activities, or for individual student work at school or home.

What is the outcome?

Tens of thousands of informational text documents accessed through a single content portal

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