

TEXTS RECOMMENDED
BY CASE STUDY CLASSROOM TEACHERS IN THE
COMPASSIONATE COMPREHENSION WITH THE COMMON CORE
SPRING 2015 RESEARCH PROJECT, SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Compassionate Comprehension with the Common Core (CC/CC) is
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Kindergarten:

Mean Jean, the Recess Queen by Alexis O'Neill and Laura Huliska-Beith
Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes
A Weekend with Wendell by Kevin Henkes
Bear Feels Sick by Karma Wilson and Jane Chapman

4th Grade:

Wings by Bill Brittain
Tales of a 4th Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
Romeo and Juliet Together (and Alive) at Last by Avi Bandit's Moon by
Sid Fleischman and Jos. A. Smith

6th Gr: + = "especially grade appropriate"

- + 1. Wonder by R. J. Palaccio
- 2. "Four-Eyes and Brace Face" by Beverly Ward-Trust in Caring and Capable Kids by Williams, Schilling, and Palomares
- 3. "My Homeless Man" (in Chicken Soup for the Soul: Stories for a Better World by Canfield, Hansen, Carter, Palomares, Williams, and Winch)
- 4. "A Child Survivor and her Hero" (in Chicken Soup for the Soul: Stories for a Better World by Canfield, Hansen, Carter, Palomares, Williams, and Winch)
- 5. The Circuit: Stories from the Life of a Migrant Child by Francisco Jiménez
- + 6. "Eleven" by Sandra Cisneros (PDF)
- 7. Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
- 8. "Stray" by Cynthia Rylant
- 9. "December Snow" by Angie Rubel (in Chicken Soup for the Soul: Stories for a Better World by Canfield, Hansen, Carter, Palomares, Williams, and Winch)
- 10. "Shaving" by Leslie Norris
- + 11. "Thank You, Ma'am" by Langston Hughes (6th gr. unit)
- 12. Iqbal by Francesco D'Adamo
- + 13. "The Gift of the Magi" by O. Henry