**What’s Special About a Level J Book?**

**Fiction:**

Each chapter is a self‐ contained story

1 or 2 characters together, like Mr. Putter and Tabby, Henry and Mudge, Frog and Toad, etc.

Characters don’t change much

Dialouge (talking) usually assigned to a speaker with signal words (said, cried, whispered)

Short stories within one chapter or a few chapters

Simple beginning, middle, and end; stories simple
May use literary language

**Non-Fiction:**

Short texts on familiar topics and easy narratives
Focus on familiar topics
May introduce new information
May offer a large amount of print with easy words
Has many frequently seen words, as well as some technical or unfamiliar words

**Text Layout:**

Print is in a larger font, with clear spaces between words and lines

Illustrations on most pages

Sentences usually return to the left margin to begin.

![Henry and Mudge: the first book of their adventures [Book]]()![Mouse Tales [Book]]()

 **Great Examples**:

Mouse Tales, Henry and Mudge