

# SCHOLASTIC CLASSROOM LIBRARIES

## 10 Characteristics of an Effective Classroom Library

Student-recommended books and multiple copies of **popular titles**

**30% informational texts** (at a minimum)

Digital texts, ebooks, and **classroom magazines** in addition to the print library

A **rich variety** of genres, including poetry, humor, historical, mystery, science, fantasy, nonfiction, and more

**5-7 new books** per student added each year

**30 books** per student

Books that range **2-3 years above and below** grade level

**10% reference books** (at a minimum)

At least **30% of books** published in the past **3-5 years**

A minimum of **750 books** in good condition