# **Literature 8: Making Connections in Literature**

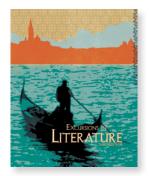
COMPARISON CHART

### **Updates**

This edition reflects numerous and significant changes from the previous edition. Changes in this edition have been made to help educators meet national and state standards and to address customer requests for more contemporary, engaging selections in addition to classics and novel studies. To make the necessary changes, this edition includes significant textual changes, a new teaching approach, implementation of the Reading Process Approach, and five new units with new selections. Components of this edition will not be compatible with the previous edition.



4th Edition



3rd Edition

## **Content Updates**

- A four-step teaching cycle (engage, instruct, apply, and assess) has been added to the teacher edition.
- The Reading Process Approach (before reading, during reading, and after reading) has been added to the teacher edition and student edition.
- The six units from the previous edition have been replaced with five new units including updated selections representing a variety of genres.
- The final unit has been replaced with a novel study on Across Five Aprils.
- Teaching notes have been added for leading whole-class instruction, collaborative learning activities, and independent learning activities. Instructions have been added for teaching students how to use reading strategies.
- New writing activities, oral presentations, and literary terms have been added.
- Overall book objectives have been added for the course.
- Objectives for individual selections have been heavily revised.
- Objectives aligned with biblical worldview shaping discussions have been highlighted.
- Thinking Zone sections have been removed.

# **Textbook Snapshot**





#### **Special Features**

- Each unit now begins with a two-page illustration, the highlighted theme, and an essential question.
- Opening essays for each unit have been removed.
- A "Before Reading" page has been added before each selection to emphasize genre, author's craft, reader's craft, and vocabulary.
- After Reading pages have been added with Think & Discuss questions.
- Opportunities for oral presentations have been added to each unit.
- Opportunities for text comparisons have been added to each unit.
- Each unit ends with a reflective writing assignment.