

# Simple Solutions

## Common Core Reading Comprehension 2

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\*\*The Lexile<sup>®</sup> Framework is based on prose analysis. NP denotes non-prose. Items assigned a code of NP are not written in complete sentences and lack standard punctuation. Hence, the text difficulty cannot currently be assigned a Lexile measure.