

- 1** This book doesn't make sense, is inappropriate somehow, or has problems that make it unusable. When you finish reading it you say, "Huh?"
- 2** The book has NO real complexity. It is basically a list or otherwise presents unconnected (although perhaps related) ideas on each page.
- 3** The book has SOME complexity. The text is connected across pages. There is something for readers to think about.
- 4** The book has A LOT of complexity. Text is connected across pages, usually in a sophisticated way. There is a "backstory" carried by the pictures. This book has something about which beginning readers can really think.

## **Text Complexity Rubric for Guided Reading Books**