

# Literature

## Grades 7–8

*Build a lifelong appreciation for good literature.*

### Literature for Christian Schools Series (grades 7–, )

Truth, beauty, purity, goodness, justice—these eternal themes and more are developed in two impressive collections of short stories, poetry, and essays to appeal to every student in grades 7–8.

#### ■ Accent on enjoyment

These appealing texts give students high-interest selections that will encourage them to read and keep on reading.

#### ■ Richly varied content

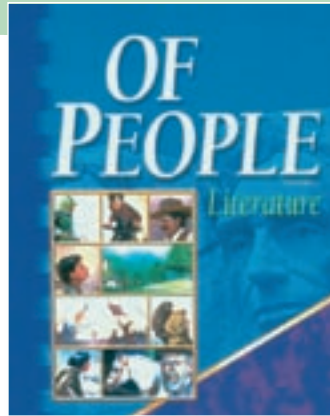
The generous storehouse of classroom-proven favorites in these anthologies will heighten students' awareness of and appreciation for man's varied use of God's gift of language.

#### ■ Thematic unit organization

Students explore literature in units such as "Patriots," "Legendary Heroes," "Throughout America," "Beauty," and "Time and Eternity." A sound emphasis on reading, language, and composition skills makes each unit a strong component of your Language Arts Program.

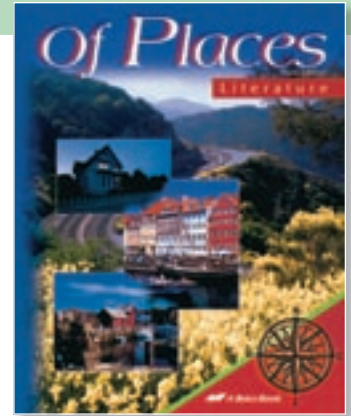
#### ■ Enriching special features

Each book features a series of thought-provoking questions designed to help students become mature, appreciative, and discerning readers. Author biographies discuss the writers from a Christian viewpoint. A speed chart follows most selections to allow students to figure their reading speed.



### Of People (7)

The interesting stories and poems included in this volume, most of which are by well-known writers and poets, have been selected for their emphasis on character. Many selections deal with seasons and holidays—especially Christmas. Others are about family life, great men and women, young people who have accepted a challenge, and legendary heroes. Victor Hugo, O. Henry, Charles Lamb, Louisa May Alcott, and Stephen Vincent Benét are among the prominent authors represented. Some of the selections are excerpts of longer works—*Don Quixote*, *A Christmas Carol*, *Robinson Crusoe*, and *Pilgrim's Progress*.



### Of Places (8)

As they read this character-building anthology, the students are introduced to some of the best of the world's authors and are given the opportunity to make personal applications through the thought-provoking questions that are included. The book emphasizes setting and provides many models for student compositions. Famous authors represented include Robert Frost, John Greenleaf Whittier, Washington Irving, and Pearl Buck. Excerpts from *The Jungle Book*, *Up From Slavery*, and *Ben Hur* also included.

### Program Overview

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| ✓ reading comprehension | ✓ vocabulary development                |
| ✓ reading for enjoyment | ✓ study skills                          |
| ✓ writing skills        | ✓ interest in people, places, and ideas |
| ✓ analytical ability    |   |
| ✓ literary appreciation |   |