CHART 4.4

CONSIDERING REPRESENTATION, CONTEXT, AUTHORSHIP, AND CONTENT IN MENTOR TEXTS

Mentor Text (Title, Author, and Date of Publication): _____

Representation:	Context:
Are characters doing everyday things?	What are people doing?
Are they portrayed as victims?	Are they doing it in present time?
Is there a savior?	Not just in history?
Content:	Authorship:
Who is the author?	Does the text have an authentic voice?
What makes the author uniquely positioned to tell the story?	Will students want to read this book?

Source: Chart adapted from Cherry-Paul and Johansen (2019).

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