

# Finding Oral Interpretation Material

## User Guide

Centennial Library

Cedarville University

### NEED IDEAS FOR A READING?

- **Try the Library Catalog**

Use these subject headings:

- Oral interpretation
- Literature collections
- Poetry collections (808.81)
- Short story
- Drama collections (808.82)

- **Browse through an anthology (collection) of poetry or short stories**

R 808.81      **The World's Best Poetry**  
G77W                      10 volumes

R 808.83      **The World's Best Short Stories**  
W927                      10 volumes

R 808.81      **Sourcebook of Poetry**  
B915S2                      nearly 2,000 quotable and heartwarming poems

- **What about a textbook for oral interpretation? (located primarily in 808.54)**

They usually contain:

- Sample selections
- Suggestions for performance

- **Remember a selection in a textbook from high school or junior high?**

Check in the Curriculum Materials Center (CMC) located in the lower level. Texts from several publishing houses, both Christian and secular, are available.

- **How about a classic of children's literature?**

Anthologies can be found through the library catalog, by doing a subject search on Children's literature.

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## ALREADY HAVE AN IDEA?

If you have a poem, author, short story, essay, speech, or play in mind already, the following indexes can help you.

All volumes have author and title indexes and most have subject indexes as well.

- R 808.81  
G76I      **Granger's Index to Poetry**  
Indexes poems in standard and popular collections by author, title and first line, and subject; fourth, sixth, eighth, ninth and tenth editions, plus supplements.
- R 016.8  
P7      **Play Index**  
Indexes plays of all types including those for children and young adults published separately or in collections since 1949.
- R 016.8  
O89I      **Ottemiller's Index to Plays**  
An author and title index to plays in collections published 1900-1985; four editions and supplements.
- R 016.8  
C771      **Short Story Index**  
Author, title, and subject in one alphabet early volumes indexed only book collections published 1900-1973, but periodicals are included since 1975.
- R 016.8085  
S91      **Speech Index**  
Index to 259 collections of world famous orations and speeches for various occasions; author, subject, and type of speech in one alphabet, with many cross-references.
- R 016  
E78      **Essay and General Literature Index**  
Contains essays and articles in English language which appear in collections published from 1900 to the present, with an emphasis in humanities and especially literary criticism.