

Columbia Granger's World of Poetry

Accessibility Conformance Report

WCAG Edition

(Based on VPAT[®] Version 2.5Rev)

Name of Product/Version: Columbia Granger's World of Poetry

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Product Description:

[*The Columbia Granger's World of Poetry*](#) contains 300,000 poems in full text and 450,000 citations, numbers that will continually expand with each update. The poems in full text are the most widely-read in the English language, as well as in Spanish, French, German, and Italian. Included also is poetry in Portuguese, Polish, Yiddish, Welsh, Gaelic, and other Celtic languages, as well as poems in the ancient languages: Anglo-Saxon, Provencal and Latin. Scholars in each of these languages have reviewed and guided the selection of poems, so that the poetry on *Granger's* is also the poetry encountered in the classroom.

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Evaluation Methods Used:

Applicable Standards/Guidelines

This report covers the degree of conformance for the following accessibility standard/guidelines:

Standard/Guideline	Included In Report
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0	Level A Level AA Level AAA

Terms

The terms used in the Conformance Level information are defined as follows:

- **Supports:** The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.
- **Partially Supports:** Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.
- **Does Not Support:** The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.
- **Not Applicable:** The criterion is not relevant to the product.

- **Not Evaluated:** The product has not been evaluated against the criterion. This can only be used in WCAG Level AAA criteria.

WCAG 2.x Report

Note: When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.x Success Criteria, they are scoped for full pages, complete processes, and accessibility-supported ways of using technology as documented in the [WCAG 2.0 Conformance Requirements](#).

Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.1.1 Non-text Content (Level A)	Partially Supports	Alt-text available for some images.
1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Supports	Text equivalent is present for all prerecorded audio
1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	Prerecorded audio is present only as media alternative for text
1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	Prerecorded audio is present only as media alternative for text
1.3.1 Info and Relationships (Level A)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence (Level A)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics (Level A)	Does Not Support	Poetry content may be dependent on text shape or orientation for understanding.
1.4.1 Use of Color (Level A)	Partially Supports	Links are identified by text color in some instances. Granger's does not otherwise use color to convey information.
1.4.2 Audio Control (Level A)	Not Applicable	Prerecorded audio featured by Granger's does not auto-play.
2.1.1 Keyboard (Level A)	Supports	Granger's is operable through keyboard interface.
2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap (Level A)	Supports	Granger's site functions and components can be closed or exited through keyboard interface.
2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	There are no timed responses required on Granger's.
2.2.1 Timing Adjustable (Level A)	Not Applicable	There are no timed responses required on Granger's.
2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide (Level A)	Not Applicable	There are no timed responses required on Granger's.
2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold (Level A)	Not Applicable	There are no animations on Granger's pages; all Granger's pages are visually static.
2.4.1 Bypass Blocks (Level A)	Does Not Support	Granger's does not provide for users of assistive technology to skip repetitive links in navigation bars. New development is being considered to address this.
2.4.2 Page Titled (Level A)	Does Not Support	Individual pages may not include titles describing topic and content.

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
2.4.3 Focus Order (Level A)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context) (Level A)	Partially Supports	Link purpose is generally indicated by link text and context with limited exceptions.
2.5.1 Pointer Gestures (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
2.5.3 Label in Name (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Does Not Support	Buttons and components may not include Assistive Technology readable labels.
2.5.4 Motion Actuation (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not include user-motion-activated functionality.
3.1.1 Language of Page (Level A)	Does Not Support	Pages do not include language tagging.
3.2.1 On Focus (Level A)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
3.2.2 On Input (Level A)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
3.2.6 Consistent Help (Level A 2.2 only)	Supports	Help contact details are located consistently in page structure.
3.3.1 Error Identification (Level A)	Does Not Support	Input error on user login returns error message but does not specify error field.
3.3.2 Labels or Instructions (Level A)	Partially Supports	User inputs for login and search are labeled. Additional instructions are present on some pages.
3.3.7 Redundant Entry (Level A 2.2 only)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not require redundant entry of user inputs.
4.1.1 Parsing (Level A) WCAG 2.0 and 2.1 – Always answer 'Supports' WCAG 2.2 (obsolete and removed) - Does not apply	Supports	For WCAG 2.0 and 2.1, the September 2023 errata update indicates this criterion is always supported. See the WCAG 2.0 Editorial Errata and the WCAG 2.1 Editorial Errata .
4.1.2 Name, Role, Value (Level A)	Partially Supports	User interface components may include non-standard HTML controls.

Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.2.4 Captions (Live) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not feature live audio content.
1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not feature prerecorded video content.
1.3.4 Orientation (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supported	Granger's does not restrict view orientation.
1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Partially Supports	All electronic form elements are clearly labeled for use with compatible Assistive Technology.
1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum) (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Granger's includes some low-contrast text.
1.4.4 Resize text (Level AA)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
1.4.5 Images of Text (Level AA)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
1.4.10 Reflow (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
1.4.11 Non-text Contrast (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Partially Supports	Granger's includes some low-contrast user interface components.
1.4.12 Text Spacing (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Does Not Support	Hover or focus text does not fully conform to this requirement.
2.4.5 Multiple Ways (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Content pages are navigable by search or browsing. Functional site pages (e.g., Help, Registration) are navigable through browsing only.
2.4.6 Headings and Labels (Level AA)	Does Not Support	Not all pages include headings and labels describing topic and content.
2.4.7 Focus Visible (Level AA)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
2.4.11 Focus Not Obscured (Minimum) (Level AA 2.2 only)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
2.5.7 Dragging Movements (Level AA 2.2 only)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not require user input through dragging movements.
2.5.8 Target Size (Minimum) (Level AA 2.2 only)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
3.1.2 Language of Parts (Level AA)	Does Not Support	Pages do not include language tagging.
3.2.3 Consistent Navigation (Level AA)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not include site-based navigational mechanisms.
3.2.4 Consistent Identification (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Components with similar functionality may be labeled differently depending on page context (e.g., "GO" or "Submit" buttons for different search functions.)

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3.3.3 Error Suggestion (Level AA)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not automatically detect user input error on entry prior to submission for login or search functions.
3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not require user input of legal or financial data.
3.3.8 Accessible Authentication (Minimum) (Level AA 2.2 only)	Supports	Granger's does not restrict or prevent use of user-side password managers, pasting, or other methods for entry of authentication credentials.
4.1.3 Status Messages (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not feature status messages applicable to this requirement.

Table 3: Success Criteria, Level AAA

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Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.2.6 Sign Language (Prerecorded) (Level AAA)	Does Not Support	Sign language interpretation is not provided for prerecorded audio content.
1.2.7 Extended Audio Description (Prerecorded) (Level AAA)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not feature prerecorded video content.
1.2.8 Media Alternative (Prerecorded) (Level AAA)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not feature prerecorded video content.
1.2.9 Audio-only (Live) (Level AAA)	Not Applicable	Granger's does not feature live audio content.
1.3.6 Identify Purpose (Level AAA 2.1 and 2.2)	Does Not Support	Granger's content does not include markups supporting user-side customization.
1.4.6 Contrast (Enhanced) (Level AAA)	Does Not Support	Text and image contrast ratios do not meet enhanced-level criteria.
1.4.7 Low or No Background Audio (Level AAA)	Supports	Prerecorded audio content does not include background sounds.
1.4.8 Visual Presentation (Level AAA)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
1.4.9 Images of Text (No Exception) (Level AAA)	Supports	Granger's uses images of text for decorative purposes only.
2.1.3 Keyboard (No Exception) (Level AAA)	Supports	Granger's is operable through keyboard interface.

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2.2.3 No Timing (Level AAA)	Supports	Granger's content and operation do not require timed user input.
2.2.4 Interruptions (Level AAA)	Not Applicable	Granger's content and operation do not require timed user input.
2.2.5 Re-authenticating (Level AAA)	Partially Supports	Settings saved to user accounts are preserved between login sessions. Other user inputs (e.g., search terms) are not saved within or between login sessions.
2.2.6 Timeouts (Level AAA 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	Granger's content and operation do not require timed user input resulting in possible data loss.
2.3.2 Three Flashes (Level AAA)	Not Applicable	There are no animations on Granger's pages; all Granger's pages are visually static.
2.3.3 Animation from Interactions (Level AAA 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	There are no animations on Granger's pages; all Granger's pages are visually static.
2.4.8 Location (Level AAA)	Does Not Support	Granger's does not convey information about user location.
2.4.9 Link Purpose (Link Only) (Level AAA)	Partially Supports	Link purpose is generally indicated by link text and context with limited exceptions.
2.4.10 Section Headings (Level AAA)	Does Not Support	Granger's features specialized scholarly content which may not be separated by section headings.
2.4.12 Focus Not Obscured (Enhanced) (Level AAA 2.2 only)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
2.4.13 Focus Appearance (Level AAA 2.2 only)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
2.5.5 Target Size (Level AAA 2.1 and 2.2)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
2.5.6 Concurrent Input Mechanisms (Level AAA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supported	Granger's does not require or restrict specific user input devices.
3.1.3 Unusual Words (Level AAA)	Does Not Support	Granger's features specialized scholarly content which may include unusual words.
3.1.4 Abbreviations (Level AAA)	Does Not Support	Granger's features specialized scholarly content which may include abbreviations without a mechanism for identifying their meaning.
3.1.5 Reading Level (Level AAA)	Does Not Support	Granger's features specialized scholarly content at varied reading levels with no conforming alternate version.

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3.1.6 Pronunciation (Level AAA)	Does Not Support	Granger’s features specialized scholarly content with no mechanism for identifying the specific pronunciation of individual words.
3.2.5 Change on Request (Level AAA)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
3.3.5 Help (Level AAA)	(Testing Pending)	Testing in progress for Assistive Technology support.
3.3.6 Error Prevention (All) (Level AAA)	Supports	User inputs for authentication can be reversed. Error notifications are provided and input can be retried in case of error.
3.3.9 Accessible Authentication (Enhanced) (Level AAA 2.2 only)	Does Not Support	Alternatives to password-based authentication are not provided.

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