#### A Colorful Time with Rhythm and Rhyme

Unit 1 - Number of Weeks: 6 - Sep.-mid Oct.

**Essential Question:** How does rhyme affect the way that we hear and read poetry?

**Terminology:** artist, author, description, illustration, illustrator, informational book, line, opinion, poem, poet, poetry, rhyme, rhythm, stanza, story book, verse

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/ RI.K.4: With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about unknown words in a text.  RL.K.5: Recognize common types of texts (e.g., storybooks, poems)	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar  ANCHOR TEXTS:  • My Many Colored Days (Dr. Seuss) (EA)(AD190L)  • "Halfway Down" (A. A. Milne) (E)  Picture Books (Read Aloud)  • Red, Green, Blue: A First Book of Colors (Alison Jay)  • Colors! Colores! (Jorge Lujan and Piet	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming  • DIBELS • DRAS  POETRY/PRINT CONCEPTS As students read a rhyme, ask them to focus on listening for rhyming words and hearing the rhythm of the lines. By using musical recordings of the nursery rhymes, students can move to the rhythm of the rhymes in song and recite the
RF.K.2: Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and phonemes.  RF.K.2(a): Recognize and produce rhyming words.	<ul> <li>Grobler)</li> <li>Brown Bear, Brown Bear (Bill Martin Jr. and Eric Carle) (AD440L)</li> <li>If Kisses Were Colors (Janet Lawler and Alison Jay)</li> <li>Mary Wore Her Red Dress (Merle Peek)</li> <li>The Red Book (Barbara Lehman)</li> <li>Chicka Chicka Boom Boom (Bill Martin Jr.,</li> </ul>	words with ease. (RF.K.1, RF.K.3c)  POETRY/PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS While reading (reciting) "Humpty Dumpty," snap your fingers on the word at the end of a line (e.g., wall"). The children will snap when they hear the word that rhymes with it (e.g., "fall"). (RF.K.2a)

# W.K.1: Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces in which they tell a reader the topic or the name of the book they are writing about and state an opinion or preference about the topic or book

**SL.K.1:** Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.

**SL.K.1(a):** Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others and taking turns talking about the topics and texts under discussion).

**L.K.5:** With guidance and support from adults, explore word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

- John Archambault, and Lois Ehlert) (AD530L)
- Rap a Tap Tap, Here's Bojangles: Think of That! (Leo and Diane Dillon)
- And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon (Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel) (AD200L)
- The Real Mother Goose (Blanche Fisher Wright)
- Red Is for Dragon: A Book of Colors (Roseanne Thong and Grace Lin)
- Clang! Clang! Beep! Beep! Listen to the City (Robert Burleigh and Beppe Giacobbe)
- A Colorful Time with Rhythm and Rhyme 5
- Itsy Bitsy Spider (Iza Trapani)
- Grandmother's Nursery Rhymes: Las Nanas de Abuelita (Nelly Palacio Jaramillo)

#### Poems (Read Aloud)

- "Singing Time" (Rose Fyleman) (E)
- "Mary Had a Little Lamb" (Sarah Josepha Hale)
- "Time to Rise" (Robert Louis Stevenson)
- "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" (Ann and Jane Taylor)

#### **Nursery Rhymes (Read Along)**

- · "Diddle, Diddle, Dumpling"
- "Early to Bed"
- "Georgie Porgie"
- "Hey Diddle Diddle"
- "Humpty Dumpty"
- "Jack and Jill"
- "Jack Be Nimble"

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

#### POETRY/PRINT CONCEPTS

As students read a nursery rhyme (or poem) from a chart or interactive whiteboard in the front of the class, choose a student to come up and follow the words from left to right with a pointer.(RF.K.1a, RL.K.4, RL.K.5)

#### INFORMATIONAL TEXT/LITERARY TEXT

As the class reads an informational or literary book, introduce the idea of author and illustrator. Describe their roles in the creation of a text. Do a "text walk". As you read an informational text such as *All the Colors of the Rainbow*, pause to ask the children questions. Encourage them to ask questions about the text and unfamiliar words. (RI.K.4, RI.K.5, RI.K.6, RL.K.4)

#### **CLASS DISCUSSION/POETRY**

Arrange small groups of students and place an object (e.g., a block) in the middle of each circle. Instruct the students to discuss which poem in this unit is their favorite. Students pick up the block when ready to share. Ask them to put the block back in the middle when finished. When working with a group, ask the student who has the floor to think of/share a word that rhymes with the last word of a sentence in the chosen poem. (SL.K.1, SL.K.1a)

#### **ART/WRITING**

Show students the Whistler and the Rivera. Ask them to discuss how Whistler used a mostly black and white palette, while Rivera used a wide range of colors. Then ask them to choose to draw their favorite of the two works, either in

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### Sample Activities and Assessment

**L.K.5(a):** Sort common objects into categories (e.g., shapes, foods) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.

- "Little Bo Peep"
- "Little Boy Blue"
- "Little Jack Horner"
- "Little Miss Muffet"
- "Old Mother Hubbard"
- "Pat-a-Cake"
- "Ring Around the Rosey"
- "Rock-a-bye, Baby"
- "Roses Are Red"
- "Simple Simon"
- "Star Light, Star Bright"

#### INFORMATIONAL TEXTS

#### **Informational Books**

• My Five Senses (Aliki) (E) (AD590L)

#### **Informational Books (Read Aloud)**

- All the Colors of the Rainbow (Rookie Read-About Science Series) (Allan Fowler) (NC670L)
- The Magic School Bus Makes a Rainbow: A Book About Color (Joanna Cole, Carolyn Braken and Bruce Degan) (AD540L)
- Colors and Shapes: Los colores y las figuras (Gladys Rosa-Mendoza, Carolina Cifuentes, and Michele Noiset)
- I Spy Colors in Art (Lucy Micklethwait)
- Colors (Learning with Animals) (Melanie Watt)
- Matisse: The King of Color (Laurence Anholt) (600L)
- A World of Colors: Seeing Colors in a New Way (Marie Houblon)

black and white or using a wide range of colors. (W.K.2, SL.K.5)

#### LANGUAGE/VOCABULARY

Prepare a basket of colored objects. Invite students to come to the basket and choose something to tell the class about. This is the rule: Each student must describe the object using at least two "describing words" (i.e., adjectives). Example: a bright red apple, a small green block. Extend this activity by introducing opposites of one of the adjectives. "You showed me a small block. Now find a large block." You could have another vocabulary activity with the same collection by sorting the same objects into color categories such as "red" and "green" or by asking the students to think of rhyming words that describe. (L.K.5a)

#### ART/CLASS DISCUSSION/VOCABULARY CONNECTION

Display the works by Matisse and Picasso. Ask the students what color dominates each work. Ask the students why they think Picasso chose blue and Matisse chose red. Ask how the paintings are the same (e.g., both figures are preparing food and neither is looking at us) and how they are different (e.g., we can see outside in the Matisse, whereas Picasso's is a close-up), preparing the way for literature conversations in comparing and contrasting texts. (SL.K.1, SL.K.5)

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA</li> <li>Henri Matisse, The Dessert: Harmony in Red (1908)</li> <li>James Abbott McNeill Whistler, Arrangement in Black and Gray: The Artist's Mother (1871)</li> <li>Diego Rivera, Flower Day (1925)</li> <li>Pieter Bruegel, The Hunters in the Snow (1565) Helen Frankenthaler, Mountains and Sea (1952)</li> <li>Paul Gauguin, The Midday Nap (1894)</li> <li>Pablo Picasso, Le Gourmet (1901)</li> </ul>	

#### Tell A Story, 1-2-3

Unit 2 - Number of Weeks: 6 - mid Oct.-Nov.

Essential Question: Why do we include a beginning, middle, and end when we tell stories?

**Terminology:** author, beginning, characters, end, illustration, illustrator, middle, number words, ordinal numbers, poem, retelling, sequence, storybook, versions

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RL.K.2: With prompting and • support, retell familiar stories, including	ANCHOR TEXTS:     Pancakes for Breakfast (Tomie DePaola) (E)	DRA     DIBELS
key details.  RL.K.9: With prompting	"Mix a Pancake" in <i>The Complete Poems</i> (Christina Rossetti) (E)	CLASS DISCUSSION / LITERATURE  Arrange small groups of students and place an object (e.g., a block) in the middle of the circle. As a class, tell
and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.	<ul> <li>Counting Books (Read Aloud)</li> <li>Ten, Nine, Eight (Molly Bang) (EA)</li> <li>Chicka Chicka 1, 2, 3 (Bill Martin, Jr., Michael Sampson, and Lois Ehlert)</li> <li>Ten Apples Up on Top (Dr. Seuss and Roy McKie) (EA)</li> </ul>	the story of <i>Goldilocks and the Three Bears</i> , having students take turns telling the events in the story. Students pick up the block when ready to fill in part of the story and put the block back in the middle when finished. Storytelling is shared with all the members of the group. (RL.K.2,SL.K.1a, SL.K.1b)
RI.K.1: With prompting and support, ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	<ul> <li>One is a Snail, Ten is a Crab: A         Counting by Feet Book (April Pulley         Sayre, Jeff Sayre, and Randy Cecil)</li> <li>Anno's Counting Book (Mitsumasa         Anno)</li> </ul>	LITERATURE / WRITING Using a piece of paper folded into three sections, retell (using a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing) the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears showing the

## SL.K.1: Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about kindergarten topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.

**SL.K.1 (b):** Continue a conversation through multiple exchanges.

W.K.3: Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to narrate a single event or several loosely linked events, tell about the events in the order in which they occurred, and provide a reaction to what happened.

L.K.2: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization punctuation, and spelling when writing.

**L.K.2 (a):** Capitalize the first word in a sentence and the pronoun "I."

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### Traditional Stories & Variations (Read Aloud)

- Goldilocks and the Three Bears (Jan Brett) (AD880L)
- Horrible Harry Bugs the Three Bears (Suzy Kline and Frank Remkiewicz) (430L)
- The Three Billy Goats Gruff (Paul Galdone)(500L)
- The Three Cabritos (Eric A. Kimmel and Stephen Gilpin)
- Three Cool Kids (Rebecca Emberley) (AD390L)
- The Three Little Pigs (James Marshall) (560L)
- The Three Pigs (David Wiesner)
- The True Story of the Three Little Pigs (Jon Sciezka and Lane Smith) (AD570L)
- The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig (Eugene Trivizas and Helen Oxenbury)(700L)
- The Three Little Javelinas/ Los Tres Pequenos Jabalies: Bilingual (Susan Lowell) (740L)

#### **Stories (Read Along)**

- Ten Black Dots (Donald Crews) (EA)
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar (Eric Carle)

#### Poems (Read Aloud)

• "Three Little Kittens" in *The Oxford Illustrated Book of American* 

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

beginning, middle, and end of the story. Encourage students to include all the characters in the illustration and to add as many details as they can remember. (RL.K.1, RL.K.2, L.K.1a, L.K.1b, L.K.1c, L.K.2a, W.K.3, W.K.5)

#### **LITERATURE**

Using the book of illustrations *Pancakes for Breakfast* (Tomie DePaola), have students look at the illustrations and note how the pictures tell a story. Point out the importance of looking very closely at the details in the illustrations to tell what happened next. Encourage active thinking by asking what might happen when the page is turned to the next illustration. Because this is a wordless book, it is interesting to point out how the illustrator is telling a story without words. Even picture books with words tell a story through the illustrations. Write the students' dictated story on sentence strips and place in a pocket chart. (Extend this activity by reversing this process: Read aloud the text of a simple book without showing the illustrations. Ask students to illustrate the story, creating their own wordless book. The students' illustrations can then be compared to the book.) (RL.K.6, RL.K.5, RL.K.7)

#### **ART / LITERATURE CONNECTION**

To introduce "versions" of a story to your class, use Millet's *First Steps* as the original idea. Allow the class to study the painting, giving plenty of time to notice details and create a possible story surrounding the painting. Then pull out Van Gogh's *First Steps, after Millet* and have the class note how the "original characters are still in the story" but also that it all looks different. (Millet: People are prominent. Van Gogh: People are no longer the focus; everything appears equal in weight—the gate,

#### **Focus Standards Suggested Works/Resources** Children's Poems (Eliza Lee Follen) • "Zin! Zin! A Violin" (Lloyd Moss and Marjorie Priceman) (E) **Nursery Rhymes / Songs (Read Along)** "Three Blind Mice" "One, Two, Buckle My Shoe" "A Diller, A Dollar" "Hot Cross Buns" "Hickory, Dickory, Dock" "Old King Cole" "Baa, Baa, Black Sheep" "This Little Pig Went to Market" **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS** Can You Count Ten Toes?: Count to 10 in 10 Different Languages (Lezlie Evans and Denis Roche) One Is a Drummer: A Book of Numbers (Roseanne Thong and Grace Lin) • Arlene Alda's 1 2 3: What Do You See? (Arlene Alda) Moja Means One: Swahili Counting Book (Muriel and Tom Feelings) The Year at Maple Hill Farm (Alice and Marin Provensen) (E) (560L) Our Animal Friends at Maple Hill Farm (Alice and Martin Provensen) (EA) Farm Animals (Young Nature Series)

(Felicity Everett)

Pigs (Gail Gibbons) (EA) (720L)

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

the wheelbarrow, the tree in the background. The baby doesn't even have a face anymore.) Picasso's *First Steps* will amaze the class with the same idea but in a completely different setting, choice of color, and style. (RL.K.9)

#### **ART / WRITING CONNECTION**

After looking closely at three art pieces with the same name, "First Steps," choose one of the paintings and imagine it shows the end of a story. Pair students to make up the beginning and middle of the story to share with the class. Prompt: Choose one of the paintings and write (or dictate) a sentence telling why you chose that painting as your favorite. Be sure to begin your sentence with a capital letter and put a period at the end. (W.K.1, W.K.3)

#### **LITERATURE**

Read the traditional version of a story first. Then read a different version of the story. For example, read the Galdone version of "The Three Billy Goats Gruff" and discuss the beginning, middle, and end of the story. Then read one of the other versions discussing how the beginning, middle, and end are similar, but the setting and characters make it a different story. (RL.K.9)

#### **READING FOUNDATIONS / WRITING**

Create a counting book using the letters covered so far this year. Each student will choose a favorite letter and then brainstorm words that begin with that letter. Using the numbers 1-5 and five different things that begin with the chosen letter, create a book (e.g., A Counting Book for T: 1 Tadpole, 2 Turkeys, 3 Toads, 4 Tigers, 5 Trout). Title each student's book "A Counting Book for ." Be sure to write the name of the author and

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>Beatrice's Goat (Page McBrier and Lori Lohstoeter) (AD640L)</li> <li>Pigs (Animals That Live on the Farm) (JoAnn Early Macken) (IG680L)</li> <li>Goats (Animals That Live on the Farm) (JoAnn Early Macken) (400L)</li> <li>ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA ART         <ul> <li>Jean-Francois Millet, First Steps (1858-59)</li> <li>Vincent van Gogh, First Steps, after Millet (1890)</li> <li>Pablo Picasso, Mother and Child (First Steps) (1943)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	illustrator (student) on the cover of the book. Place the finished books in a basket for other students to enjoy. (RF.K.1a, RF.K.1b, RF.K.1c, RF.K.1d, RF.K.3a)  INFORMATIONAL TEXT  Today you will have to think, ask questions, and answer questions while we read an informational counting book titled One Is a Drummer: A Book of Numbers (Roseanne Thong and Grace Lin). (RI.K.1, RI.K.6)  INFORMATIONAL TEXT  Because pigs and goats are talking characters who have personalities in these stories, students will enjoy reading about real pigs and goats. Beginning with books and digital resources on pigs or goats, keep a chart of animal needs that are met on the farm. (RI.K.1, RI.K.6)  POETRY / ILLUSTRATING  "Mix a Pancake" is a poem written by Christina Rossetti. Have students draw illustrations that match the words to show the steps in making pancakes. When finished, they can share the illustrations with a friend and read the poem together. (RL.K.5, RL.K.7, W.K.2)

#### **Exploring with Friends in the Neighborhood**

Unit 3 - Number of Weeks: 6 - Dec.-Jan.

Essential Question: How do question stems (who, what, where, when, why, and how) help us to find more information in books?

**Terminology:** character, compare, contrast, exclamation mark, fantasy, fiction, imaginary, key events, non-fiction, question mark, questioning, real, setting, what, where, when, why, how

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http://lexile.com/fab/	identified as exemplar ANCHOR TEXTS:	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.K.3: With prompting and support, identify		DIBELS     DRA
characters, settings, and	<ul> <li>Little Bear (series) Else Holmelund</li> <li>Minarik and Maurice Sendak) (E)</li> </ul>	DRA GRADE
major events in a story.	(370L)	GRADE
major events in a story.	The Swing" in A Child's Garden of  • "The Swing" in A Child's Garden of	CLASS DISCUSSION / INFORMATIONAL TEXT
RL.K.4: Ask and answer	Verses (Robert Louis Stevenson)	While reading informational books about community
questions about unknown	verses (Reserve Estate Stevenson)	helpers, create a chart with the following headings:
words in a text.	Chapter Book (Read Aloud)	who, what, where, when, and why. Encourage children
	The Complete Tales of Winnie-the-	to listen for answers to those questions as you read
RL.K.9: With prompting	Pooh (A.A. Milne) (EA)	the book aloud. Remind the students to pay close
and support, compare	, , ,	attention to the illustrations for details. To ensure each
and contrast the	Picture Books (Read Aloud)	child's participation, give them Post-Its or white boards
adventures and	<ul> <li>Frog and Toad Together (Arnold Lobel)</li> </ul>	on which to write or draw their ideas. Begin by talking
experiences of	(E) (450L)	about the author, illustrator, front, back, and title page
characters in familiar	<ul> <li>The Story About Ping (Marjorie Flack</li> </ul>	of the book. Fill in the chart each time you read a new
stories.	and Kurt Wiese) (AD920L)	book about community helpers. Use this chart as

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

**RI.K.2:** With prompting and support, identify the main topic and retell key details of a text.

W.K.2: Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the topic.

**L.K.1:** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing orspeaking.

**L.K.1(d):** Understand and use question words (interrogatives) (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).

- Blueberries for Sal (Robert McCloskey) (AD890L)
- Make Way for Ducklings (Robert McCloskey) (AD630L)
- Curious George (series) (H.A. and Margaret Rey) (590L)
- Officer Buckle and Gloria (Peggy Rathmann) (510L)
- Where the Wild Things Are (Maurice Sendak) (AD740L)
- Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale (Mo Willems)
- Owl Moon (Jane Yolen and John Schoenherr) (630L)
- Little Fur Family (Margaret Wise Brown and Garth Williams)
- Harold and the Purple Crayon (Crockett Johnson)
- The Snowy Day (Ezra Jack Keets) (AD500L)
- The Jolly Postman (Allan and Janet Ahlberg)
- Stories (Read Along –Wordless Books)
- A Dog, a Boy, and a Frog (Mercer Mayer)
- Trainstop (Barbara Lehman)

#### Poems (Read Aloud)

 "Us Two" in The Complete Tales & Poems of Winnie-the-Pooh (A. A. Milne) (EA)

#### Songs (Read Along)

"Do You Know the Muffin Man?"

inspiration to change the lyrics for "Do You Know the Muffin Man?" for community helpers in your neighborhood (e.g., "Do you know the fireman...That works on 12th and Main!") (RI.K.1, RI.K.2, RI.K.5, RI.K.7, L.K.1d, SL.K.1, SL.K.3, SL.K.4)

#### **MUSIC CONNECTION / LITERATURE**

As a musical illustration of "comparing" and "contrasting," use the work of Henry Mancini (Baby Elephant Walk) and Saint-Saens (*Carnival of the Animals*, "The Elephant") to compare and contrast two musical compositions that are inspired by elephants. Introduce the activity by telling the students that they are going to hear two different musical pieces that are based on elephants. As they listen to Baby Elephant Walk and "The Elephant," ask them to decide which piece reminds them more of an elephant. Extend this activity by having the students move to the music as they listen, deciding whether the music makes them want to dance or "lumber" like an elephant might walk. (L.K.5d, RL.K.9)

#### **LITERATURE**

After reading the first story in the *Little Bear* collection of stories, use a chart to organize ideas about each story. Create headings for "character," "setting," and "events." Assign students one of the three categories to think about each time you read, encouraging them to write or draw ideas on Post-Its. Fill in the chart each time you read a new Little Bear story. (Extension: Create a similar chart to compare other fictional explorations and adventures by characters such as Frog and Toad, Curious George, and more.) (RL.K.3, RL.K.9)

#### **Focus Standards Sample Activities and Assessment Suggested Works/Resources** "The People in Your Neighborhood?" **LITERATURE** (Jeff Moss) Read Winnie-the-Pooh aloud to elicit multiple levels of "What Shall We Do When We All Go student understanding. To be sure that students are Out?" following the story and understanding the words, encourage students to monitor their own **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS** comprehension. Tell the children that if they lose their Fire! Fire! (Gail Gibbons) (E) (590L) way, or a word is confusing them, they should put a The Post Office Book: Mail and How it hand on their own shoulder. If you see a student do so, Moves (Gail Gibbons) (EA) (AD840L) stop reading at a good stopping place, reread the • Check It Out: The Book about Libraries confusing section, and allow other students to (Gail Gibbons) (EA) participate in clearing up the confusion. (RL.K.4) • Community Helpers from A-Z (Bobbie Kalman and Niki Walker) (IG730L) **WRITING / LANGUAGE** Whose Hat is This? (Katz Cooper, Give students the following prompt: Draw a picture Sharon Muehlenhardt, and Amy showing an important person in your neighborhood Bailey) (AD700L) doing her/his job. Write (or dictate) a sentence about • Whose Tools Are These? (Katz that person's job (e.g., a trash collector picks up stinky Cooper, Sharon Muehlenhardt, and garbage all over our city and takes it to the dump). Amy Bailey) (AD670L) (W.K.2, L.K.1a, L.K.2a, L.K.2b, L.K.2c, L.K.5c) Jobs Around My Neighborhood / Oficios en me vecindario (Gladys **LANGUAGE** Rosa-Mendoza and Ann Iosa) Tell the students that they are going to practice giving • A Day in the Life of a Police Officer and following directions. Create directions that focus (First Facts: Community Helpers at on using prepositions such as to/from, on/off, and Work) (Heather Adamson) (NC650L) in/out. Pull a child's name out of a basket and then A Day in the Life of a Doctor (First) give them a command. For example, "Tian, walk from Facts: Community Helpers at Work) your desk to the teacher's desk." "Jaxton, put your (Heather Adamson) (560L) hand in the basket and then take it *out*." Extend this A Day in the Life of a Teacher (First) activity by placing the prepositions on cards and Facts: Community Helpers at Work) having the students make up directions using the (Heather Adamson) (580L) words. You could also play the game of "Simon Says" A Day in the Life of a Firefighter (First as you give the commands. As students develop Facts: Community Helpers at Work) confidence, increase the commands by two or three (Heather Adamson) (610L)

additional steps. (L.K.1e)

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	ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA  Music  Henry Mancini, Baby Elephant Walk (1961) Camille Saint-Saens, Carnival of the Animals, Fifth Movement "The Elephant" (1886)  Art Romare Bearden, The Block (1972) Pieter Brueghel, Netherlandish Proverbs (1559)	LITERATURE / POETRY Read a poem such as "The Swing." Assign the students the task of drawing an illustration for each stanza of the poem. Do the same activity with other poems, such as "Us Two." Using key words such as "who," "what," "where," "why," "when," and "how," compare and contrast the two poems. (RL.K.9,L.K.1d)  CLASS DISCUSSION / INFORMATIONAL TEXT  Using two books that describe different jobs but are in the same series of informational books (such as the "Community Helpers at Work" series), create a graphic organizer to compare and contrast the days of various community helpers. Discuss the ways the jobs are similar and different. Require each student to dictate, draw, write, or act out something one of the community helper does (e.g., a postman weighs packages). Ask if the other community helper does something similar (e.g., a nurse weighs patients). (RI.K.2, RI.K.9)  ART/CLASS DISCUSSION/ART MAKING  View the Bearden collage or the Brueghel painting. Try to get the students to look closely at the work for as long as possible. The following questions will help guide a 15-minute discussion: What do you notice in this collage? Where do you think this might be? What do you see that makes it look like this place? Do you notice people? What do you think they might be doing?  WRITING/ART CONNECTION  Students will be assigned a panel from The Block or a section from Netherlandish Proverbs to work with. They will be asked to identify a group of people to study. Students will write one sentence describing

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		what the people seem to be doing, or who they think they might be. Sentences will be shared in large group.
		CLASS DISCUSSION/ART CONNECTION Display the Bearden and Brueghel side-by-side. Note that these works were created more than 400 years apart. Ask the students to find similarities and differences between the two works. This can be documented on a chart for future discussion. (SL.K.1, SL.K.2, SL.K.4, SL.K.5, SL.K.6)

**America: Symbols and Celebrations** 

Unit 4 - Number of Weeks: 6 - Feb.-mid March

Essential Question: How will asking questions help us to learn more about celebrations and holidays?

Terminology: adding information, cause, composer, effect, gathering information, informational text, KWL chart, questioning

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http://lexile.com/fab/	identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RI.K.1: With prompting	ANCHOR TEXTS:	DIBELS
and support, ask and	<ul> <li>"Celebration" in Song and Dance (Alonzo</li> </ul>	• DRAS
answer questions about	Lopez) (E)	
key details in a text.	<ul> <li>Family Pictures (Carmen Lomez Garza) (E)</li> </ul>	CLASS DISCUSSION/VOCABULARY
	(AD790L)	To introduce the concept of a symbol, choose a
W.K.7: Participate in		symbol well known to the students in your class
shared research and	Picture Books (Read Aloud)	(e.g., professional sports team logo or school
writing projects (e.g.,	Duck for President (Doreen Cronin and)	mascot). Discuss why a symbol is important for
explore a number of	Betsy Lewin) (AD680L)	unifying fans behind a team or school. Go on to
books by a favorite	Clifford Goes to Washington (Norman	discuss the meaning behind the symbol as a
author and express	Bridwell) (490L)	source of inspiration. (RI.K.4, SL.K.2, SL.K.3,
opinions about them).	<ul> <li>This Land is Your Land (Woody Guthrie and</li> </ul>	SL.K.4, L.K.4, L.K.6)
	Kathy Jakobsen)	- , , -,
L.K.1: Demonstrate	<ul> <li>My Country, 'Tis of Thee (Samuel Francis)</li> </ul>	WRITING
command of the	Smith)	Use a theme-related short sentence to begin
conventions of Standard	,	your unit, such as "The flag waves." Challenge
English grammar and	<ul> <li>America the Beautiful (Katharine Bates, Wendell Minor)</li> </ul>	the class to think of details to add to the sentence
usage when writing or	,	to make it more interesting (e.g., "The red, white,
	Pledge of Allegiance (Scholastic, Inc.)	

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

speaking.

**L.K.1(f):** Produce and expand complete sentences in shared language activities.

L.K.2: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

**L.K.2(d):** Spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.

**SL.K.4:** Describe familiar people, places, things, and events and, with prompting and support, provide additional detail.

• I Pledge Allegiance (Bill Martin, Jr., Michael Sampson, and Chris Raschka)

- (Tailor to represent the cultures in your classroom)
- Apple Pie and the Fourth of July (Janet S. Wong and Margaret Chodos-Irvine) (730L)

#### Poems (Read Aloud)

- Selections from I Am America (Charles R. Smith)
- "Thanksgiving Day" in Flowers for Children, Vol. 2 (Lydia Maria Child)

#### Songs (Read Along)

- "America the Beautiful" (Katharine Lee Bates and Samuel A. Ward)
- "America (My Country, Tis of Thee)" (Samuel Francis Smith)
- "Yankee Doodle" (Traditional)
- "You"re a Grand Old Flag" (George M. Cohan)

#### **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS**

- Our Country (Emergent Reader) (Susan Canizares and S. Berger)
- The American Flag (Welcome Books) (Lloyd G. Douglas) (520L)
- The White House (Welcome Books) (Lloyd G. Douglas) (480L)
- The Statue of Liberty (Welcome Books) (Lloyd G. Douglas) (510L)
- The Bald Eagle (Welcome Books) (Lloyd G. Douglas) (500L)
- The Liberty Bell (Welcome Books) (Lloyd G.

and blue flag waves"; "The red, white, and blue American flag waves in the strong winds of March"). (W.K.5, L.K.1f, L.K.1c, L.K.1b)

#### **READING/INFORMATIONAL TEXT**

Create a KWL chart for American symbols and holidays to set the stage for asking questions, answering questions, and gathering information under main topics. Teachers may need to model the questioning until the students begin to generate questions on their own. As the class reads an informational book (e.g., The Liberty Bell, Lloyd G. Douglas), look for information about the main topic. Remind the students of the importance of also studying the illustrations for information. Add the information to the KWL chart. Look for connections between ideas as you add information to the charts. Use Post-Its or white boards for students to fully participate in adding information to the charts. (RI.K.1, RI.K.2, RI.K.3, RI.K.7, RI.K.8)

#### WRITING/INFORMATIVE

Choose one of the symbols or holidays on your KWL chart and write a complete sentence or two about it. Be sure to use the information on your chart as you write. Illustrate your ideas before you write or after you are finished. (W.K.2, W.K.8, SL.K.5, L.K.1a, L.K.2d)

#### **CLASS DISCUSSION/ READING/LITERATURE**

Introduce a book showing a diverse viewpoint of an American holiday such as *Apple Pie and the Fourth of July* (Janet Wong). As you read the book, ask the students to look for ways that the

Facus Ctandondo	Constructed Marks/Dagacons	Comple Activities and Assessment
Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources  Douglas) (370L)	Sample Activities and Assessment main character sees one of the traditional
	<ul> <li>Giving Thanks: The 1621 Harvest Feast (Kate Waters and Russ Kendall)</li> <li>Independence Day (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (David F. Marx)</li> <li>Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (Trudi Strain Trueit) (710L)</li> <li>Veterans Day (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (Jacqueline S. Cotton) (620L)</li> </ul>	American holidays. Encourage the students to look closely at the illustrations and to listen closely to the story. When you are finished reading, discuss how people see holidays and celebrations differently depending on their family and ethnic experience. Before turning to wholegroup discussion, have students draw a picture or "turn and talk" in preparation for sharing ideas. (RL.K.3, RL.K.7, RL.K.10, SL.K.2)
	<ul> <li>John Philip Sousa: Getting to Know the World's Greatest Composers (Mike Venezia) (890L)</li> <li>Example of a series of more books on holidays celebrated locally by students in your classroom:</li> <li>El Dia De Los Muertos: The Day of the Dead (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (Mary Dodson Wade) (320L)</li> <li>Cinco de Mayo (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (Mary Dodson Wade and Nanci P.</li> </ul>	WRITING ACTIVITY/HOME CONNECTION Send a note to parents asking them to find a photograph of the child taken during a family celebration. Ask parents to name the celebration and to tell what makes it special as their family celebrates it. Use this information to create a display of your class's celebrations and to prepare for the shared research project on community celebrations. (SL.K.4, W.K.8)
	<ul> <li>Chinese New Year (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (David F. Marx) (280L)</li> <li>Kwanzaa (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (Trudi Strain Truett) (650L)</li> <li>Christmas (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (Trudi Strain Truett) (820L)</li> <li>Diwali (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (Trudi Strain Truett) (530L)</li> <li>Chanukah (Rookie Read-About Holiday Series) (David F. Marx) (450L)</li> <li>Ramadan (Rookie Read-About Holiday</li> </ul>	CLASS DISCUSSION/SHARED RESEARCH/WRITING ACTIVITY Choose a holiday celebrated in your community. Gather information about the holiday by reading books and asking people in your community to tell you why it is celebrated, when it is celebrated, who celebrates, and how it is celebrated. Create a large cube for the holiday and assign small groups of students to prepare an illustration for each face of the cube. Use the guiding questions above to assign the faces of the cube. Repeat this activity with several holidays celebrated by the members of your classroom. (SL.K.4, L.K.5c, W.K.2, W.K.7, W.K.8)

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA</li> <li>John Philip Sousa, Stars and Stripes Forever (1896)</li> <li>John Philip Sousa, The Liberty Bell (1893)</li> <li>John Philip Sousa, The Washington Post (1889)</li> </ul>	LANGUAGE/VOCABULARY  Tell the students that there are words that are spelled the same and sound the same, but have very different meanings. Listen to John Philip Sousa's music and "march" around the room. Explain that in this case, "March" is an action word. The name of this type of song is a "march," because you want to march to it. And you could even do this "march" in the month of "March." The lesson: Some words are used differently to mean different things. This activity can be repeated with the word "flag," using the word as a verb and as a noun. (L.K.4a)  LANGUAGE/VOCABULARY  Create a word bank to collect new words from this unit. These words can be used in discussion and in journal writing to reinforce their proper use. Use the word bank to practice making nouns plural (e.g., statue, statues). (L.K.1c, L.K.6)

#### **The Great Big World**

Unit 5 - Number of Weeks: 6 - mid March-April

**Essential Question:** Why is it important for writers to describe settings carefully?

Terminology: antonyms, compare, contrast, details (most important), different, main idea, opposites, settings, similar

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/ RL.K.3: With prompting and support, identify characters, settings, and major events in a story.	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar  ANCHOR TEXT:  • The Paper Crane (Molly Bang) (E) (Read Aloud) (790L)	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming  • DRAS • DIBELS • GRADE
RL.K.9: With prompting and support, compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in familiar stories.  RI.K.9: With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic	<ul> <li>Picture Books</li> <li>Mr. Popper's Penguins (Richard Atwater and Florence Atwater) (E) (Read Aloud) (910L)</li> <li>Africa</li> <li>A Story, A Story (Gail E. Haley) (E) (Read Aloud) Shadow (Blaise Cendrars, translated by Marcia Brown) (Read Aloud) (AD590L)</li> <li>Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears (Verna Aardema, Leo Dillon, and Diane Dillon) (Read Aloud) (770L)</li> </ul>	ART, NARRATIVE WRITING Select two or three works to study that include people or man-made structures (e.g., Cezanne, Constable, Hiroshige, Linton Panel). Ask the students to find the people or structures and discuss how they compare, in scale, to the natural elements in the works. Ask the students to write a new title for the work that interests them the most. Share titles in small groups and possibly post them next to a reproduction of the work of art for future sharing. (W.K.1, W.K.2)

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

### (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).

**W.K.6:** With guidance and support, explore a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.

**W.K.8:** With guidance and support, recall information from experiences or gather information from provided sources to answer a question.

L.K.2: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

L.K.2(d): Spell simple words phonetically, drawing on knowledge of sound-letter relationships.
Common Core State Standards, ELA

#### Antarctica

- Eve of the Emperor Penguin (Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca) (Read Aloud) (530L)
- Something to Tell the Grandcows (Eileen Spinelli and Bill Slavin) (Read Aloud)(AD610L)

#### Asia

- Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China (Ed Young) (E) (Read Aloud) (670L)
- Once a Mouse... (Marcia Brown) (Read Aloud) (AD530L)
- The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship (Arthur Ransome and Uri Shulevitz) (Read Aloud) (810L)

#### Australia

- Koala Lou (Mem Fox and Pamela Lofts) (Read Aloud) (AD550L)
- Lizzie Nonsense (Jan Ormerod) (Read Aloud)
- Possum Magic (Mem Fox and Julie Vivas) (Read Aloud) (530L)

#### Europe

- Little Red Riding Hood (Trina Schart Hyman) (Read Aloud)
- One Fine Day (Nonny Hogrogian) (Read Aloud) (AD1080L)
- The Story of Ferdinand (Munro Leaf and Robert Lawson) (Read Aloud) (NC710L)

#### **VOCABULARY**

Create a word bank of all of the words with r-controlled vowels (ar, er, ir, ur, or) as you find them in this unit. Create active listeners by encouraging the students to listen for the words and act as "sound detectives." Sort the words by their respective spellings, noting how the letter combinations create similar sounds (e.g., "A W or ld of W or ds"). (L.K.6)

#### **VOCABULARY**

Mr. Popper's Penguins is filled with alliteration based on the letter p. Encourage the children to listen for p words that they hear as you read. The vocabulary words will be challenging and fun to use in classroom discussions. (L.K.6)

#### READING LITERATURE, READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT

Research, Speaking and Listening Throughout this unit, read fictional stories set in a continent and then read informational text (both from books and digital sources) that describe the continent. Students will develop an appreciation for the setting of the story—the connection between a fictional setting and a real place. Require students to record what they have learned on either sticky notes or a whiteboard to prepare for sharing with the whole group. Following each reading, they record new information, using these details to compare one continent to another. Note the opposites, such as cold and hot, or rainy and dry. If possible, arrange a conversation via the internet with a classroom or individual on another continent. Prepare for the conversation by asking specific,

#### **Focus Standards Suggested Works/Resources Sample Activities and Assessment** child-generated questions about the continent. North America (RI.K.9, L.K.1b, L.K.5b) • Arrow to the Sun (Gerald McDermott) (Read Aloud) (480L) • Song of the Swallows (Leo Politi) (Read **INFORMATIVE WRITING** Explain that Mr. Popper loved the idea of Aloud) (AD620L) "dreaming big." Remind them that he daydreamed • The Story of Jumping Mouse (John about faraway places and that he wished he could Steptoe) (Read Aloud) (AD500L) have visited Antarctica to explore all that was there. Ask the students, "If you could choose to South America visit any of the continents we studied, which one • Morpha: A Rain Forest Story (Michael would you choose? Be sure to support your choice Tennyson and Jennifer H. Yoswa) (Read with one or two strong reasons." Allow students to Aloud) choose one of the continents studied during this Rain Player (David Wisniewski) (AD530L) unit that they might like to visit someday. To help the children plan their work, use a program such as **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS** Kidspiration to create a graphic organizer on each **Nonfiction Books (Read Aloud)** of the continents chosen by the students. Students • Africa (Rookie Read-About Geography) can draw pictures of animals, people, and objects (Allan Fowler) (Read Aloud/Independent) one might find on that continent. Write two (340L) sentences about the continent using a combination • Antarctica (Rookie Read-About of drawing, dictation, and writing. Share the work Geography) (Allan Fowler) (Read with the class. (SL.K.6, W.K.1, W.K.5, W.K.6, Aloud/Independent) (520L) W.K.8, L.K.2d, RF.K.3d) As the Crow Flies: A First Book of Maps (Gail Hartman and Harvey Stevenson) READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, SPEAKING (Read Aloud) (320L) **AND LISTENING** Asia (Rookie Read-About Geography) Choose two of the books (or maps) of the seven (Allan Fowler) (Read Aloud/Independent) continents. Read the books aloud to the students. (360L) Students will then tell how these two books are the • Australia (Rookie Read-About Geography) same and how they are different. Students will (Allan Fowler) (Read Aloud/Independent) work with a partner or in a small group to discuss Beginner's World Atlas (National similarities and differences between the books or Geographic) (Read Aloud) maps. Teachers will record students' contributions Continents and Maps (Big Book, Pearson on a compare-and-contrast graphic organizer.

(RI.K.9)

Learning) (Read Aloud)

#### **Focus Standards Sample Activities and Assessment Suggested Works/Resources** • Count Your Way Through China...(series) (Jim Haskins) (Read Aloud/Independent) ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING View the Mondrian. • Europe (Rookie Read-About Geography) Share the title and ask what clues it provides about (Allan Fowler) (Read Aloud/Independent) the painting's subject. Ask the students what they (120L)notice first in this work and what place they think • Me on the Map (Joan Sweeney and this might be. ("What do you see that makes it look Annette Cable) (Read Aloud) (280L) like this place?") Ask whether the place looks busy • North America (Rookie Read-About or slow and how the artist made it appear that way. Geography) (Allan Fowler) (Read Compare this work to another painting (e.g., the Aloud/Independent) Kngwarreye), noticing similarities and differences • South America (Rookie Read-About and focusing on the idea of both place and painting Geography) (Allan Fowler) (Read style. Document responses on a chart. (SL.K.1, Aloud/Independent) SL.K.3, SL.K.4) The Seven Continents (Rookie Read-About Geography) (Wil Mara) (Read ART, VOCABULARY Aloud/Independent) View the Bierstadt and Guo Xi paintings. Note that they were painted eight hundred years apart and **ART, MUSIC AND MEDIA** on opposite sides of the world. Ask the students to Art describe what they see. Note similarities (e.g., the monumentality of both works) and differences (e.g., Africa different color palettes). This is an opportunity to • J.H. Pierneef. Trees in Woodland extend the idea of comparing and contrasting the Landscape (date unknown) settings in stories to comparing and contrasting the The Linton Panel (eighteenth or ninteenth settings in paintings. (SL.K.2) century) Asia READING LITERATURE, NARRATIVE WRITING, Ando Hiroshige, panel from Famous views VOCABULARY of 53 stations of the Tōkaidō Road (1855) The literature in this unit is conducive to • Guo Xi, Early Spring (1072) storytelling. Pair students so that they can practice retelling a favorite story from this unit. Ask them, Australia "Using illustrations and writing, retell • Emily Kam Kngwarreye, Earth's Creation . Be sure to focus on the (1994) Emily Kam Kngwarreye, The beginning, middle, and end of the story." Introduce Alhalkere Suite (1994) the concept of major events, and ask them to focus

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>John Constable, The Hay Wain (1821)</li> <li>Paul Cézanne, Straße vor dem Gebirge</li> <li>Sainte-Victoire (1898-1902)</li> <li>North America</li> <li>Albert Bierstadt, Valley of the Yosemite (1864) Piet Mondrian, Broadway Boogie Woogie (1942-1943)</li> <li>Film</li> <li>Jon Stone, dir., Big Bird in China (1983)</li> <li>Luc Jacquet, dir., March of the Penguins (2005)</li> </ul>	on major events and the most important details. To make the activity more challenging, after retelling the story, ask if they can retell a similar story with a completely different setting and character. For example, they may retell <i>The Story of Ferdinand</i> . How would the story be different if it took place in South America? Which animal would be the main character? Extend this activity by doing a class write: "Write a new version of <i>The Story of Ferdinand</i> . Be sure to change the characters and the setting. Illustrate the new story to create a class book." As students volunteer words for creating this story, encourage them to provide letters for sounds as you write. (RL.K.2, W.K.3, W.K.7 L.K.2d)
	<ul> <li>Music</li> <li>Mary F. Higuchi (compiled by),     "Geography Songs on the Continents"     (2000) (Read Along)</li> <li>"London Bridge is Falling Down" Tinkerbell     Records), (Read Along)</li> <li>"It's a Small World" (Walt Disney), (Read     Along)</li> </ul>	READING LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING, PERFORMANCE  After reading two books, Little Red Riding Hood and Lon Po Po, discuss how the two stories are the same and how they are different. Generate ideas from among the children through writing, drawing, or acting out parts of each story. (RL.K.9, RL.K.10)

Wonders of Nature: Plants, Bugs, and Frogs

Unit 6 - Number of Weeks: 6 - May-June

**Essential Question:** How does nature inspire us as readers, writers, and artists?

Terminology: cause, creative process, different, effect, explanatory writing, revision, similar

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming
RL.K.10: Actively engage in group reading activities with purpose and understanding.	ANCHOR TEXTS:  Picture Books (Read Aloud)  • Days with Frog and Toad (Arnold Lobel)	1. DRA 2. DIBELS 3. GRADE
RI.K.9: With prompting and support, identify basic similarities in and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., in illustrations, descriptions, or procedures).	<ul> <li>Eay's with Frog and Toad (Amoid Lobel) (EA) (320L)</li> <li>The Carrot Seed (Ruth Krauss and Crockett Johnson) (AD230L)</li> <li>The Tiny Seed (The World of Eric Carle) (Eric Carle) 400L)</li> <li>A Tree is Nice (Janice May Udry and Marc Simont) (420L)</li> <li>Time of Wonder (Robert McCloskey) (940L)</li> </ul>	CLASS DISCUSSION / READING / INFORMATIONAL TEXT  Create a cause-and-effect table (see below) to record your class work. Read a book such as Earth Day (Trudi Strain Trueit). As you read, encourage the students to think about why we need "Earth Day" and how celebrating this special day helps the earth. Build in personal accountability by asking students to draw, write, dictate, or act out their ideas before adding them to the chart. (RI.K.8, RI.K.10, SL.K.6)
RI.K.8: With prompting and support, identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a	<ul> <li>One Morning in Maine (Robert McCloskey) (AD830L)</li> <li>Jack and the Beanstalk (Steven Kellogg) (AD660L)</li> <li>Kate and the Beanstalk (Mary Pope</li> </ul>	

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

text.

**RF.K.4:** Read emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.

**W.K.6:** With guidance and support from adults, explore a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.

L.K.4: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiplemeaning words and phrases based on Kindergarten reading and content. (emphasis original)

L.K.4 (b): Use the most frequently occurring inflections and affixes (e.g., -ed, -s, re-, un-, pre-, -ful, -less) as a clue to the meaning of an unknown word.

Osborne and Giselle Potter) (AD440L)

- There was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly (Simms Taback)
- Fireflies (Julie Brinckloe) (AD630L)
- The Very Lonely Firefly (Eric Carle) (AD530L)
- The Grouchy Ladybug (Eric Carle) (560L)
- The Very Quiet Cricket (Eric Carle) (AD430L)
- The Very Clumsy Click Beetle (Eric Carle)(AD210L)
- It's Earth Day (Mercer Mayer) (AD540L)

#### Picture Books (Read Aloud / Independent)

• Hi! Fly Guy (Tedd Arnold) (E) (280L)

#### Poems (Read Aloud)

- "Two Tree Toads" in Orangutan Tongs: Poems to Tangle Your Tongue (Jon Agee)
   (E)
- Selections from *Insectlopedia* (Douglas Florian)
- "Little Black Bug" (Margaret Wise Brown)
- "The Caterpillar" in Rossetti: Poems (Christina Rossetti) (EA)
- "Trees" (Sarah Coleridge)
- Over in the Meadow (John Langstaff and Feodor Rojankovsky) (E)

#### Poems (Read Along)

• "Wouldn't You?" in You Read to Me, I'll Read to You (John Ciardi) (E)

#### **WRITING / NARRATIVE**

Give students this prompt: Write (draw, dictate) a story about something amazing you have seen in nature. Be sure to include the name of what you saw (e.g., a firefly), the setting (e.g., a dark night in June, in my yard), and two events that happened (e.g., I chased it and caught it). Tell about how you reacted to the events (e.g., I screamed because I had a bug in my hand and didn't know what to do with it!) (W.K.3, SL.K.4, L.K.2d)

#### **WRITING / REVISION**

Claude Monet painted water lilies over and over again. Tell the students to look at his paintings to see how they changed with the shifting light in his garden. Display the three paintings in chronological order, but spend time on the first one before showing the next one. Ask the students if they think he was doing the same painting over and over again or if he was painting it differently each time. Ask them what changed. Relate this idea to the revision process when writing stories. Hand back the nature stories (see Writing / Narrative) and ask the students to try writing them again, but to make them a little different this time by adding new details. Publish the writing in a digital format by scanning the student work and inserting it into a Power Point presentation. Students will present the work to parents as a culminating writing activity for the year. (W.K.5, W.K.6)

#### WRITING / LITERARY / INFORMATIONAL

After reading a chapter from Days with Frog and

#### **Focus Standards Sample Activities and Assessment Suggested Works/Resources Nursery Rhymes (Read Along)** Toad (Arnold Lobel) and From Tadpole to Frog (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out-Science) (Wendy "Mary, Mary Quite Contrary" Pfeffer and Holly Keller), lead the following "Ladybug, Ladybug" activity with the students: Work together to make a list of the ways the frog in the fictional book Songs (Sing Along) (Lobel) was similar to the frog in the non-fictional "The Ants Go Marching One by One" book. Make a list of how the two frogs are "Itsy Bitsy Spider" different. Students may be ready to create this list themselves on their own personal graphic Informational Text (Read Aloud) organizer. (RL.K.3, RL.K.10, RI.K.10, SL.K.6) Follow the Water from Brook to Ocean (Arthur Dorros) (E) (600L) **CLASS DISCUSSION / READING /** • "Our Good Earth" in National Geographic **INFORMATIONAL** Young Explorer! (April 2009) (EA) Read a book such as From Tadpole to Frog The Reasons for Seasons (Gail Gibbons) (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out-Science) (Wendy (EA) (AD620L) Pfeffer and Holly Keller) and then read Red-Eved • The Seasons of Arnold's Apple Tree (Gail Tree Frog. (These books are both non-fictional Gibbons) (EA)(AD580L) books and they both talk about "toads.") Ask • Red-Eyed Tree Frog (Joy Cowley and Nic what the students noticed about how these books Bishop) (AD350L) were the same and how they were different. (RI.K.9, RI.K.10, SL.K.6) Informational Text (Read Aloud / Independent) • Living Sunlight: How Plants Bring the Earth **WRITING / EXPLANATORY** to Life (Molly Bang and Penny Chisholm) After reading an informational text detailing a (EA) (AD610L) process, such as the life cycle of a butterfly or • A Tree is a Plant (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out frog, have the students create a four page Science) (Clyde Robert Bulla and Stacey booklet showing the stages of growth in Schuett) (E) (AD290L) illustrations. Have them do so in complete • From Seed to Pumpkin (Let's-Read-andsentences, as they are able. (W.K.2) Find-Out Science) (Wendy Pfeffer and James Graham Hale) (E) (640L) **VOCABULARY / DRAMA** From Tadpole to Frog (Let's-Read-and-Find-Create a word bank for "Ways Animals Move" Out Science) (Wendy Pfeffer and Holly (e.g., dart, fly, hop, and swim). Use these verbs Keller) (E Series)(AD520L) to teach the -ed, -s, and -ing suffixes. Act out the

words, adding adverbs to make the actions

From Caterpillar to Butterfly (Let's-Read-

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	and-Find-Out Science) (Deborah Heiligman and Bari Weissman) (E Series) (AD520L)  • How a Seed Grows (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science) (Helene J. Jordan and Loretta Krupinski) (E Series) (AD400L)  • Frogs and Toads and Tadpoles, Too! (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler)  • From Seed to Plant (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler) (550L)  • Taking Root (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler)  • Inside an Ant Colony (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler) (550L)  • Maple Trees (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler) (600L)  • Pine Trees (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler)(620L)  • Cactuses (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler)(440L)  • It Could Still Be a Flower (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler)  • Plants That Eat Animals (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler)  • It's a Good Thing There are Insects (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler)  • Spiders Are Not Insects (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler) (550L)  • Earth Day (Rookie Read-About Holidays) (Trudi Strain Trueit) (710L)	opposite in speed like "hopping slowly" or "hopping fast." (L.K.4b, L.K.5b)  READING / FLUENCY / INFORMATIONAL  Since students are reading, introduce them to the easy science texts in this unit. Spend time having the students read the books aloud with partners or alone. (RF.K.4)

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	1. Claude Monet, Water Lilies (The Clouds) (1903) 2. Claude Monet, Water Lilies (1906) 3. Claude Monet, Water Lilies (1916-1923)	
	Books (art-related)	
	<ol> <li>The Magical Garden of Claude Monet (Laurence Anholt)</li> <li>A Blue Butterfly (Bijou LeTord)</li> </ol>	
	Media	
	1. Linnea in Monet's Garden (1999)	

#### Unit 1

#### **Halfway Down**

by A. A. Milne

Halfway down the stairs
is a stair
where i sit.
there isn't any
other stair
quite like
it.
i'm not at the bottom,
i'm not at the top;
so this is the stair
where
I always
stop.

Halfway up the stairs
Isn't up
And it isn't down.
It isn't in the nursery,
It isn't in town.
And all sorts of funny thoughts
Run round my head.
It isn't really
Anywhere!
It's somewhere else
Instead!

#### **Singing Time**

By Rose Fyleman

I wake in the morning early, And always, the very first thing, I poke my head and I sit up in bed And I sing and I sing and I sing.

#### Mary Had a Little Lamb

By Sarah Josepha Hale

Mary had a little lamb,
Its fleece was white as snow,
And every where that Mary went
The lamb was sure to go;
He followed her to school one dayThat was against the rule,
It made the children laugh and play
To see a lamb at school

And so the Teacher turned him out, But still he lingered near, And waited patiently about, Till Mary did appear. And then he ran to her and laid His head upon her arm. As if he said-"I'm not afraid, You'll shield me from all harm." "What makes the lamb love Mary so," The little children cry; "O, Mary loves the lamb you know," The Teacher did reply, "And you each gentle animal In confidence may bind, And make them follow at your call, If you are always kind."

#### Time to Rise

By Robert Louis Stevenson

A birdie with a yellow bill
Hopped upon my window sill,
Cocked his shining eye and said:
"Ain't you 'shamed, you sleepy-head!"

#### Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

By Ann and Jane Taylor

Twinkle, twinkle, little star, How I wonder what you are! Up above the world so high, Like a diamond in the sky.

When the blazing sun is gone, When he nothing shines upon, Then you show your little light, Twinkle, twinkle, all the night.

Then the traveler in the dark Thanks you for your tiny spark, How could he see where to go, If you did not twinkle so?

In the dark blue sky you keep, Often through my curtains peep For you never shut your eye, Till the sun is in the sky.

As your bright and tiny spark Lights the traveler in the dark, Though I know not what you are, Twinkle, twinkle, little star.

#### Unit 1 Nursery Rhymes

#### Diddle, Diddle, Dumpling

Diddle, diddle, dumpling, my son John Went to bed with his stockings on; One shoe off, and one shoe on, Diddle, diddle, dumpling, my son John.

#### **Early to Bed**

Early to bed, Early to rise. Makes a man healthy, Wealthy and Wise

#### **Georgie Porgie**

Georgie Porgie pudding and pie, Kissed the girls and made them cry When the boys came out to play, Georgie Porgie ran away.

#### **Hey Diddle Diddle**

Hey diddle diddle, the cat and the fiddle, The cow jumped over the moon. The little dog laughed to see such fun And the dish ran away with the spoon!

#### **Humpty Dumpty**

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall, Humpty Dumpty had a great fall. All the King's horses, And all the King's men Couldn't put Humpty together again!

#### Jack and Jill

Jack and Jill went up the hill to fetch a pail of water
Jack fell down and broke his crown
And Jill came tumbling after.
Up got Jack, and home did trot
As fast as he could caper
He went to bed and bound his head
With vinegar and brown paper.

#### **Jack Be Nimble**

Jack be nimble Jack be quick Jack jump over The candlestick.

#### Little Bo Peep

Little Bo peep has lost her sheep And doesn't know where to find them. Leave them alone and they'll come home, Bringing their tails behind them. Little Bo peep fell fast asleep And dreamt she heard them bleating, But when she awoke, she found it a joke, For they were all still fleeting. Then up she took her little crook Determined for to find them. She found them indeed, but it made her heart bleed, For they left their tails behind them. It happened one day, as Bo peep did stray Into a meadow hard by. There she espied their tails side by side All hung on a tree to dry. She heaved a sigh, and wiped her eye, And over the hillocks went rambling, And tried what she could, As a shepherdess should, To tack again each to its lambkin.

#### **Little Boy Blue**

Little Boy Blue come blow your horn,
The sheep's in the meadow the cow's in the corn.
But where's the boy who looks after the sheep?
He's under a haystack fast asleep.
Will you wake him? No, not I - for if I do, he's sure to cry

#### **Little Jack Horner**

Little Jack Horner sat in the corner Eating his Christmas pie, He put in his thumb and pulled out a plum And said "What a good boy am !!"

#### **Little Miss Muffet**

Little Miss Muffet sat on a tuffet
Eating her curds and whey,
Along came a spider,
Who sat down beside her
And frightened Miss Muffet away

#### **Old Mother Hubbard**

Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard, To fetch her poor dog a bone. But when she got there, her cupboard was bare, And so the poor dog had none. She went to the baker's to buy him some bread; When she got back, the dog was dead. She went to the undertaker's to buy him a coffin; When she got back, the dog was a-laughing. She took him a clean dish to get him some tripe; When she came back, he was smoking a pipe. She went to the hatter's to buy him a hat; When she came back, he was feeding the cat. She went to the barber's to buy him a wig; When she came back, he was dancing a jig. She went to the fruiterer's to buy him some fruit; When she came back, he was playing the flute. She went to the tailor's to buy him a coat: When she came back, he was riding a goat. She went to the cobbler's to buy him some shoes; When she came back, he was reading the news. She went to the seamstress to buy him some linen; When she came back, the dog was a-spinning. She went to the hosier's to buy him some hose; When she came back, he was dressed in his clothes. The dame made a curtsy, the dog made a bow; The dame said, "Your servant," the dog said, "Bow-wow."

#### Pat-a-Cake

Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker's man. Bake me a cake as fast as you can; Pat it and prick it and mark it with "B", Put it in the oven for baby and me.

Patty cake, patty cake, baker's man.
Bake me a cake as fast as you can;
Roll it up, roll it up;
And throw it in a pan!
Patty cake, patty cake, baker's man.

#### Ring Around the Rosey

Ring around the rosy A pocketful of posies "Ashes, Ashes" We all fall down!

Ring-a-Ring o'Rosies A Pocket full of Posies "A-tishoo! A-tishoo!" We all fall Down!

#### Rock-a-bye, Baby

Rock a bye baby on the treetop, When the wind blows the cradle will rock, When the bough breaks the cradle will fall, And down will come baby, cradle and all.

Baby is drowsing cozy and fair
Mother sits near in her rocking chair
Forward and back the cradle she swings
And though baby sleeps he hears what she sings

From the high rooftops down to the sea No ones' as dear as baby to me Wee little fingers, eyes wide and bright Now sound asleep until morning light

#### **Roses Are Red**

Lilies are white, Rosemary's green, When I am king, You shall be queen.

Roses are red, Violets are blue, Sugar is sweet And so are you.

#### **Simple Simon**

Simple Simon met a pieman going to the fair; Said Simple Simon to the pieman "Let me taste your ware" Said the pieman to Simple Simon "Show me first your penny" Said Simple Simon to the pieman "Sir, I have not any!"

Simple Simon went a-fishing for to catch a whale;
All the water he had got was in his mother's pail.
Simple Simon went to look if plums grew on a thistle;
He pricked his fingers very much which made poor Simon whistle.
He went for water in a sieve but soon it all fell through;
And now poor Simple Simon bids you all "adieu"

#### Star Light, Star Bright

Star Light Star bright, The first star I see tonight, I wish I may, I wish I might, Have the wish I wish tonight.

#### Unit 2

#### **Three Little Kittens**

By Eliza Lee Follen

Three little kittens lost their mittens;
And they began to cry,
O mother dear,
We very much fear
That we have lost our mittens.
Lost your mittens!
You naughty kittens
Then you shall have no pie
Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow.
No, you shall have no pie
Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow.

The three little kittens found their mittens,
And they began to cry,
O mother dear,
See here, see here;
See, we have found our mittens.
Put on your mittens,
You silly kittens,
And you may have some pie
Purr-r, purr-r, purr-r,
O, let us have the pie,
Purr-r, purr-r, purr-r.

The three little kittens put on their mittens,
And soon ate up the pie;
O mother dear,
We greatly fear
That we have soil'd our mittens.
Soiled your mittens!
You naughty kittens!
Then they began to sigh,
Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow.
Then they began to sigh,
Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow.

The three little kittens washed their mittens,
And hung them out to dry;
O mother dear,
Do not you hear,
That we have washed our mittens?
Washed your mittens!
O, you're good kittens.
But I smell a rat close by:
Hush! hush! mee-ow, mee-ow.
We smell a rat close by,
Mee-ow, mee-ow, mee-ow.

#### Zin! Zin! A Violin

By Lloyd Moss and Marjorie Priceman

#### A book

#### Mix a Pancake

By Christina Rossetti

Mix a pancake, Stir a pancake, Pop it in the pan; Fry the pancake, Toss the pancake, -Catch it if you can.

#### **Unit 2 Nursery Rhymes**

#### **Three Blind Mice**

Three blind mice, three blind mice,
See how they run, see how they run,
They all ran after the farmer's wife,
Who cut off their tails with a carving knife,
Did you ever see such a thing in your life,
As three blind mice?

#### One, Two, Buckle My Shoe

One two buckle my shoe
Three, four, knock at the door
Five, six, pick-up sticks
Seven, eight, lay them straight
Nine, ten, a big fat hen
Eleven, twelve, dig and delve
Thirteen, fourteen, maids a-courting
Fifteen, sixteen, maids in the kitchen
Seventeen, eighteen, maids in waiting
Nineteen, twenty, my plates empty

#### A Diller, A Dollar

A diller, a dollar, A ten o'clock scholar, What makes you come so soon? You used to come at ten o'clock, And now you come at noon.

#### **Hot Cross Buns**

Hot cross buns! Hot cross buns!

One a penny two a penny - Hot cross buns
If you have no daughters, give them to your sons
One a penny two a penny - Hot cross buns

#### Hickory, Dickory, Dock

Hickory Dickory Dock, The mouse ran up the clock. The clock struck one, The mouse ran down! Hickory Dickory Dock.

Hickory Dickory Dock, The bird looked at the clock, The clock struck two 2, Away she flew, Hickory Dickory Dock

Hickory Dickory Dock, The dog barked at the clock, The clock struck three 3, Fiddle-de-dee, Hickory Dickory Dock!

Hickory Dickory Dock, The bear slept by the clock, The clock struck four 4, He ran out the door, Hickory Dickory Dock!

Hickory Dickory Dock,
The bee buzzed round the clock,
The clock struck five 5,
She went to her hive,
Hickory Dickory Dock!

Hickory Dickory Dock, The hen pecked at the clock, The clock struck six 6, Oh, fiddle-sticks, Hickory Dickory Dock! Hickory Dickory Dock, The cat ran round the clock, The clock struck seven 7, She wanted to get 'em, Hickory Dickory Dock!

Hickory Dickory Dock, The horse jumped over the clock, The clock struck eight 8, He ate some cake, Hickory Dickory Dock!

Hickory Dickory Dock, The cow danced on the clock, The clock struck nine 9, She felt so fine, Hickory Dickory Dock!

Hickory Dickory Dock, The pig oinked at the clock, The clock struck ten 10, She did it again, Hickory Dickory Dock!

Hickory Dickory Dock, The duck quacked at the clock The clock struck eleven 11, The duck said 'oh heavens!' Hickory Dickory Dock!

Hickory Dickory Dock, The mouse ran up the clock The clock struck noon He's here too soon! Hickory Dickory Dock!

#### **Old King Cole**

Old King Cole
Was a merry old soul,
And a merry old soul was he;
He called for his pipe,
And he called for his bowl,
And he called for his fiddlers three!
And every fiddler, he had a fine fiddle,
And a very fine fiddle had he.
"Twee tweedle dee, tweedle dee," went the fiddlers.
Oh, there's none so rare
As can compare
With King Cole and his fiddlers three.

#### Baa, Baa, Black Sheep

Baa, Baa, black sheep, have you any wool? Yes sir, yes sir three bags full:

One for the master, one for the dame, And one for the little boy that lives down the lane.

Baa, Baa, black sheep, have you any wool? Yes sir, yes sir three bags full. Baa, Baa, white sheep, have you any wool? Yes sir, yes sir three bags full:

One for the master, one for the dame, And one for the little boy that lives down the lane.

Baa, Baa, white sheep, have you any wool? Yes sir, yes sir three bags full. Baa, Baa, striped sheep, have you any wool? No sir, no sir -No bags full:

None for the master, none for the dame, And none for the little boy that lives down the lane.

Striped sheep, why sheep, have you no more wool? Oh sir, because sir -\*pause\* I'm a zebra!

#### This Little Pig Went to Market

This little piggy went to market,
This little piggy stayed at home,
This little piggy had roast beef,
This little piggy had none.
And this little piggy went...
"Wee wee wee" all the way home...

# Us Two By A. A. Milne

Wherever I am, there's always Pooh,
There's always Pooh and Me.
Whatever I do, he wants to do,
"Where are you going today?" says Pooh:
"Well, that's very odd 'cos I was too.
Let's go together," says Pooh, says he.
"Let's go together," says Pooh.

"What's twice eleven?" I said to Pooh.
("Twice what?" said Pooh to Me.)
"I think it ought to be twenty-two."
"Just what I think myself," said Pooh.
"It wasn't an easy sum to do,
But that's what it is," said Pooh, said he.
"That's what it is," said Pooh.

"Let's look for dragons," I said to Pooh.

"Yes, let's," said Pooh to Me.

We crossed the river and found a few"Yes, those are dragons all right," said Pooh.

"As soon as I saw their beaks I knew.

That's what they are," said Pooh, said he.

"That's what they are," said Pooh.

"Let's frighten the dragons," I said to Pooh.
"That's right," said Pooh to Me.
"I'm not afraid," I said to Pooh,
And I held his paw and I shouted "Shoo!
Silly old dragons!"- and off they flew.

"I wasn't afraid," said Pooh, said he,
"I'm never afraid with you."

So wherever I am, there's always Pooh,
There's always Pooh and Me.
"What would I do?" I said to Pooh,
"If it wasn't for you," and Pooh said: "True,
It isn't much fun for One, but Two,
Can stick together, says Pooh, says he. "That's how it is," says Pooh.

#### The Swing

By Robert Louis Stevenson

How do you like to go up in a swing, Up in the air so blue? Oh, I do think it the pleasantest thing Ever a child can do!

Up in the air and over the wall, Till I can see so wide, River and trees and cattle and all Over the countryside--

Till I look down on the garden green,
Down on the roof so brown-Up in the air I go flying again,
Up in the air and down!

#### **Celebration**

By Alonzo Lopez

I shall dance tonight.
When the dusk comes crawling,
There will be dancing
and feasting.
I shall dance with the others
in circles, in leaps, in stomps.
Laughter and talk
Will weave into the night,
Among the fires
of my people.
Games will be played
And I shall be a part of it.

#### I Am America

By Charles R. Smith

A book

#### **Thanksgiving Day**

By Lydia Maria Child

Over the river, and through the wood, To grandfather's house we go; The horse knows the way To carry the sleigh Through the white and drifted snow.

Over the river, and through the wood—
Oh, how the wind does blow!
It stings the toes
And bites the nose
As over the ground we go.

Over the river, and through the wood, To have a first-rate play. Hear the bells ring "Ting-a-ling-ding", Hurrah for Thanksgiving Day!

Over the river, and through the wood Trot fast, my dapple-gray! Spring over the ground, Like a hunting-hound! For this is Thanksgiving Day.

Over the river, and through the wood, And straight through the barn-yard gate. We seem to go Extremely slow,— It is so hard to wait!

Over the river and through the wood— Now grandmother's cap I spy! Hurrah for the fun! Is the pudding done? Hurrah for the pumpkin-pie!

#### Unit 6

#### **Two Tree Toads**

By Jon Agee

A three-toed tree toad tried to tie
A two-toed tree toad's shoe.
But tying two-toed shoes is hard
For three-toed toads to do,
Since three-toed shoes each have three toes,
And two-toed shoes have two.

"Please tie my two-toed tree toad shoe!"
The two-toed tree toad cried.
"I tried my best. Now I must go,"
The three-toed tree toad sighed.
The two-toed tree toad's two-toed shoe,
Alas, remained untied.

#### Insectlopedia

By Douglas Florian

A book

#### Little Black Bug

By Margaret Wise Brown

Little black bug, Little black bug Where have you been? I've been under the rug, Said little black bug. Bug-ug-ug-ug.

Little old mouse, Little old mouse, Where have you been? I've been all through the house Said little old mouse. Squeak-eak-eak-eak.

#### The Caterpillar

By Christina Rossetti

Brown and furry
Caterpillar in a hurry,
Take your walk
To the shady leaf, or stalk,
Or what not,
Which may be the chosen spot.
No toad spy you,
Hovering bird of prey pass by you;
Spin and die,
To live again a butterfly.

#### **Trees**

By Sarah Coleridge

The Oak is called the king of trees,
The Aspen quivers in the breeze,
The Poplar grows up straight and tall,
The Peach tree spreads along the wall,
The Sycamore gives pleasant shade,
The Willow droops in watery glade,
The Fir tree useful in timber gives,
The Beech amid the forest lives.

#### Over in the Meadow

By John Langstaff and Feodor Rojankovsky

A book

#### Wouldn't you

By John Ciardi

If I
Could go
As high
And low
As the wind
As the wind
As the wind
Can blow—
I'd go!

#### **Unit 6 Nursery Rhymes**

#### Mary, Mary Quite Contrary

Mary, Mary, quite contrary How does your garden grow? With silver bells and cockleshells And pretty maids all in a row.

## Ladybug, Ladybug

Ladybug! Ladybug!
Fly away home.
Your house is on fire.
And your children all gone.

All except one, And that's little Ann, For she crept under The frying pan.

#### **Grade K Suggested Objectives**

#### Unit 1

- •Recognize the difference between a storybook and a poem.
- •Understand that poems (poetry) are written by poets and that they often rhyme.
- •Distinguish between a verse (stanza) and a line in a poem.
- •Identify the author and illustrator of a storybook and of an informational book.
- •Ask questions about unknown words in a text.
- •Understand the organization and basic features of print.
- •Identify the front cover, back cover, and title page of a book; follow the words from left to right, top to bottom, and page by page.
- •Understand that words are separated by spaces in print.
- •Use a combination of drawing, dictating, or writing to share an opinion.
- •Listen to others and take turns speaking while discussing favorite rhymes.
- •Expand vocabulary by sorting objects (e.g., by color, noticing colorful places in school and describing objects with "color" adjectives).

#### Unit 2

- •Name the author and illustrator of both the fictional and informational texts in this unit.
- •Orally retell familiar stories, including details and events at the beginning, middle, and end.
- •Recite and produce rhyming words from nursery rhymes and rhyming texts.
- •Use a combination of writing, drawing, and dictating to retell stories with a beginning, middle, and end.
- •Distinguish shades of meaning among simple adjectives.
- •Recognize the importance of sequence in storytelling, informational and fictional counting books, and nursery rhymes.
- •Appreciate the difference between an original story and other versions of the same story.

#### <u>Unit 3</u>

- •Use the words who, what, where, when, and why to explore informational texts.
- •Ask questions about unknown words in both fictional and informational texts.
- •Locate basic information in a nonfiction text.
- •Identify characters, settings, and key events in a story.
- •Compare and contrast the adventures of one character in a collection of stories.
- •Compare and contrast the adventures of different characters in different books through the use of a graphic organizer.
- •Understand the difference between real (nonfiction) and imagined (fiction) explorations.
- •Use a combination of drawing, dictating, or writing to compose an informative text.
- •Name and identify periods, question marks, and exclamation points.
- •Understand and correctly use the prepositions to/from, on/off, and in/out.

- •Describe the connection between two events or ideas in a text.
- •Recognize cause and effect relationships (e.g., the contributions of Martin Luther King Jr. and the holiday celebrating his life).
- •Review characters, setting, and key events in fictional stories when retelling them.
- •Answer guestions about unknown words, details, and events in both fiction and informational texts.
- •Gather information from text sources and experiences to answer questions about a given topic (e.g., about holidays).
- •Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose an informative text on a given topic (e.g., about holidays).
- •Ask questions to get information, to seek help, or to clarify something that is not understood.
- •Produce and expand complete sentences in shared writing about a given topic (e.g., symbols in America).
- •Identify new meanings for familiar words and apply them accurately (e.g., march—verb, March—month, march—musical piece).
- •Use newly learned words in conversation (e.g., new words related to celebrations and symbols).

#### Unit 5

- •Describe the connection between the settings of fictional works and informational books about the same place.
- •Learn about the similarities and differences between fictional and informational texts on the same topic.
- •Compare and contrast characters' adventures that are set in different continents.
- •Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to offer an opinion (e.g., about a continent to visit); include details that explain/support the opinion.
- •Demonstrate understanding of common verbs and adjectives by relating them to their opposites (e.g., in the context of describing places).

#### Unit 6

- •Articulate cause-and-effect relationships (e.g., as they occur in the natural world).
- •Recognize the basic similarities and differences between two texts on the same topic (e.g., when both are informational or when one is fiction and one nonfiction).
- •Read emergent-reader texts with purpose and understanding.
- •Write, draw, or dictate a narrative (e.g., describing something that happened in nature and a subsequent reaction).
- •Relate the idea of writing revision to a visual artist's creative process (i.e., continuously improving the work).
- •Use common affixes as clues to the meaning of an unknown word.

# **B Kindergarten ELA Pacing Guide Aligned With The Common Core**

Six Week Units	Common Core Standards	Houghton Mifflin Phonics	Houghton Mifflin Spelling/High Frequency Words	Houghton Mifflin Grammar	Writing
First 6 Weeks	RF.K.1(a-d) RF.K.2.(a, d) W.K.1 W.K.3 W.K.5 SL.K.1(a, b) SL.K.2 SL.K.4 SL.K.6 L.K.1(a, b, d, f) L.K.2(a) L.K.5(a-c)	Theme: Welcome to K Wk 1 – rhyming words Wk 2 – rhyming words  Theme 1: Look at Us! Wk 1 – rhyming words Wk 2 – beginning sounds Wk 3 – beginning sounds	Theme: Welcome to K Wk 1 – preview letters A- E; letter matching Wk 2 – preview letters F- J; letter matching  Theme 1: Look at Us! Wk 1 – preview letters K- O; letter matching Wk 2 – preview letters P- T; letter matching Wk 3 - preview letters U- Z; letter matching	Theme: Welcome to K Wk 1 – environmental print Wk 2 – environmental print  Theme 1: Look at Us! Wk 1 – directionality: left to right; size words Wk 2 – directionality: top to bottom; naming words Wk 3 - directionality: left to right; top to bottom; describing words	Shared/Interactive Writing Oral Language Development /Storytelling Launching Writing Workshop: Routines and Procedures

Second 6 Weeks	RF.K.1(a-d) RF.K.2(d) RF.K.3(a, c, d) RF.K.4 W.K.3 W.K.5 SL.K.1(a-b) SL.K.2 SL.K.3 SL.K.4 SL.K.5 SL.K.6 L.K.1(a-f) L.K.2(a-d) L.K.5(a-c) L.K.6	Theme 2: Colors All Around Wk 1 – beginning sounds; words in oral sentence; beginning sound /s/; initial consonant: S, s Wk 2 – beginning sounds; words in oral sentences; beginning sound /m/; initial consonant: M, m Wk 3 – beginning sounds; words in oral sentences; beginning sound /r/; initial consonant: R, r	Theme 2: Colors All Around Wk 1 – I, color words Wk 2 – see, color words Wk 3 – review I, see, color words	Theme 2: Colors All Around Wk 1 – capitalize first word in sentence; end punctuation; describing words Wk 2 – capitalize first word in sentence; end punctuation; exact naming words Wk 3 – capitalize first word in sentence; end punctuation; singular and plural words; plural names	Shared/Interactive Writing Reinforcing Writing Workshop: Routines and Procedures Personal Narrative: Labeling; Writing a Sentence
		Theme 3: We're a Family Wk 1 – blending and segmenting onset and rime; beginning sound /t/; initial consonant: T, t Wk 2 – blending and segmenting onset and rime; beginning sound /b/; initial consonant: B, b Wk 3 - blending and segmenting onset and rime; beginning sound /n/; initial consonant: N, n	Theme 3: We're a Family Wk 1 – my, family words Wk 2 – like, family words Wk 3 – review my, like, family words	Theme 3: We're a Family Wk 1 - return sweep; capitalize first word in sentence; end punctuation; movement words; using family words Wk 2 - capitalize first word in sentence; end punctuation; return sweep; using exact naming words; building sentences Wk 3 - capitalize first word in sentence; end punctuation; return sweep; using action words; using order words; building sentences	

Third 6 Weeks	RF.K.1(a-d) RF.K.2(c, d) RF.K.3(a-d) RF.K.4 W.K.2 W.K.3 W.K.5 SL.K.1(a-b) SL.K.2 SL.K.3 SL.K.4 SL.K.5 SL.K.6 L.K.1(a-f) L.K.2(a-d) L.K.2(a-d) L.K.4(a-b) L.K.5(a-d)	Theme 4: Friends Together Wk 1 – blending and segmenting onset and rime; blending phonemes; beginning sound /h/; initial consonant: H, h; short a Wk 2 – blending and segmenting onset and rime; blending phonemes; beginning sound /v/; initial consonant: V, v; short a Wk 3 - blending and segmenting onset and rime; blending phonemes; beginning sound /k/; initial consonant: C, c; short a	Theme 4: Friends Together Wk 1 – a, words with short a Wk 2 – to, words with short a Wk 3 – review a, to, words with short a	Theme 4: Friends Together Wk 1 – word spacing; first letter in a written word; position words; building sentences Wk 2 – word spacing; matching spoken words to print; action words; building sentences Wk 3 – word spacing; action words; building sentences	Shared/Interactive Writing Personal Narrative: Labeling; Writing a Sentence; Beginning, Middle, and End
	L.N.O	Theme 5: Let's Count Wk 1 – blending phonemes; beginning sound /p/; initial consonant: P, p; short a Wk 2 – blending phonemes; beginning sound /g/; initial consonant: G, g; short a Wk 3 – blending phonemes; beginning sound /f/; initial consonant: F, f; short a	Theme 5: Let's Count Wk 1 – and, words with short a, number words Wk 2 – go, words with short a, number words Wk 3 – review and, go, words with short a, number words	Theme 5: Let's Count Wk 1 – letter/word; first/last letter in a word; describing words; building sentences Wk 2 – letter/word; first/last letter in a word; rhyming words; using naming words; building sentences Wk 3 – match spoken words to print; using describing words; building sentences	

Fourth 6 Weeks	RF.K.1(a-d) RF.K.2(c, d) RF.K.3(a-d) RF.K.4 W.K.1 W.K.2 W.K.3 W.K.5 W.K.7 SL.K.1(a-b) SL.K.2 SL.K.3 SL.K.4 SL.K.5	Theme 6: Sunshine and Raindrops Wk 1 – blending and segmenting phonemes; beginning sound /l/; initial consonant: L, I; short i Wk 2 – blending and segmenting phonemes; beginning sound /k/; initial consonant: K, k; short i Wk 3 – blending and segmenting phonemes; beginning sound /kw/; initial consonant: Q, q; short i	Theme 6: Sunshine and Raindrops Wk 1 – is, words with short i Wk 2 – here, words with short i or a Wk 3 – review is, here, words with short i or a	Theme 6: Sunshine and Raindrops Wk 1 – question mark; word spacing; using describing words; building sentences Wk 2 – quotation marks; end punctuation; using weather action words; building sentences Wk 3 – capitalize first word in sentence; end punctuation; action words; building sentences	Shared/Interactive Writing Personal Narrative: Beginning, Middle, End Informational: Biography; "How to" Writing
	L.K.1(a-f) L.K.2(a-d) L.K.4(a-b) L.K.5(a-d) L.K.6	Theme 7: Wheels Go Around Wk 1 – blending and segmenting phonemes; beginning sound /d/; initial consonant: D, d; short i Wk 2 – blending and segmenting phonemes; beginning sound /z/; initial consonant: Z, z; short i Wk 3 – blending and segmenting phonemes; beginning sounds review /d/, /z/; initial consonants: D, d and Z, z; short i	Theme 7: Wheels Go Around Wk 1 – for, words with short i or a Wk 2 – have, words with short i or a Wk 3 – review for, have, words with short i or a	Theme 7: Wheels Go Around Wk 1 – first/last letter in a word; matching words; using opposites; building sentences Wk 2 – matching words; using all capital letters; using position words; building sentences Wk 3 – match spoken words to print; match words; using opposites; words for travel; building sentences	

	RL.K.MA.8.A	Theme 8: Down on the	Theme 8: Down on the	Theme 8: Down on the	Shared/Interactive Writing
Fifth 6	RF.K.1(a-d)	Farm	Farm	Farm	
Weeks	RF.K.2(a-e)	Wk 1 – blending and	Wk 1 – said, words with	Wk 1 – all capital letters;	Poetry: Free Verse
	RF.K.3(a-d)	segmenting phonemes;	short o or i	directionality; return	
	RF.K.4	phoneme substitution;	Wk 2 – the, words with	sweep; using naming	Informational: "How to"
	W.K.1	beginning sounds review	short o or i	words; using rhyming	Writing
	W.K.2	/t/, /k/, /n/; initial	Wk 3 – review said, the,	words; building sentences	9
	W.K.3	consonants: T, t, K, k,	words with short o or i	Wk 2 – directionality;	Personal Narrative:
	W.K.5	and N, n; short o		return sweep; use of all	Beginning, Middle, and
	W.K.5.MA.3.A	Wk 2 - blending and		capital letters; using exact	End; Adding Details;
	W.K.7	segmenting phonemes;		naming words; using	Revising
	W.K.8	phoneme substitution;		comparisons; building	
	SL.K.1(a-b)	ending sound /x/; final		sentences	
	SL.K.2	consonant: X, x; short o		Wk 3 – recognizing the	
	SL.K.3	Wk 3 - blending and		use of all capital letters;	
	SL.K.4	segmenting phonemes;		directionality; return	
	SL.K.5	phoneme substitution;		sweep; using singular and	
	SL.K.6	beginning sounds review		plural naming words;	
	L.K.1(a-f)	/h/, /f/, /s/; initial		building sentences	
	L.K.2(a-d)	consonants: H, h, F, f,			
	L.K.4(a-b)	and S, s; short o			
	L.K.5(a-d)				
	L.K.6	Theme 9: Spring is Here	Theme 9: Spring is Here	Theme 9: Spring is Here	
		Wk 1 – syllables and	Wk 1 – play, words with	Wk 1 – letter; words; and	
		spoken words; phoneme	short e, o, or i	sentences; first and last	
		substitution; beginning	Wk 2 – she, words with	letter in a written word;	
		sound /w/; initial	short e, o, or i	using action words;	
		consonant: W, w; short e	Wk 3 – review play, she,	building sentences	
		Wk 2 – syllables and	words with short e, o, or i	Wk 2 – first and last letter	
		spoken words; phoneme		in a word; distinguish	
		substitution; beginning		between a letter; a word;	
		sound /y/; initial		and a sentence; using	
		consonant: Y, y; short e		rhyming words; building	
		Wk 3 – syllables and		sentences	
		spoken words; phoneme		Wk 3 –distinguish	
		substitution; beginning		letter/word/sentence; first	
		sounds review /w/, /y/		and last letter in a word;	
				using order words;	
				building sentences	

	RF.K.1(a-d)	Theme 10: A World of	Theme 10: A World of	Theme 10: A World of	Shared/Interactive Writing
	RF.K.2(a, c-e)	Animals	Animals	Animals	
Sixth 6	RF.K.3(a-d)	Wk 1 –phoneme	Wk 1 – are, words with	Wk 1 – capital at the	Personal Narrative:
Weeks	RF.K.4	substitution (initial and	short u or e	beginning of a sentence;	Beginning, Middle, and
	W.K.1	final); beginning sound /j/;	Wk 2 – he, words with	using exact naming	End; Adding Details;
	W.K.2	initial consonant: J, j;	short u or e	words; building sentences	Revising
	W.K.3	short u	Wk 3 –review are, he,	Wk 2 – end of	
	W.K.5	Wk 2 – phoneme	words with short u or e	sentence/end	Informational: Animal
	W.K.7	substitution (initial and		punctuation; using	Report
	SL.K.1(a-b)	final); beginning sounds		rhyming words; using	
	SL.K.2	review /b/, /k/, /l/; initial		exact words; building	Persuasive Writing: book
	SL.K.3	consonants: B, b, C, c, L,		sentences	opinions
	SL.K.4	I; short u		Wk 3 – beginning and end	
	SL.K.5	Wk 3 - phoneme		of a sentence; end	End of year writing
	SL.K.6	substitution (initial and		punctuation; using order	prompt
	L.K.1(a-f)	final); beginning sounds		words; building sentences	
	L.K.2(a-d)	review /d/, /j/, /n/, /w/;			
	L.K.4(a-b)	initial consonants: D, d, J,			
	L.K.5(a-d)	j, N, n, W, w; short u			
	L.K.6				
		Review:	Review:	Review:	
		Wk 1 – review all	Wk 1 – review all	Wk 1 – concepts of print;	
		previously taught phonics	previously taught high	naming words; action	
		skills, short and long	frequency words; words	words; describing words;	
		vowel sounds	with short a, e, i, o, and u	order words	
		Wk 2 – review all	Wk 2 – review all	Wk 2 – concepts of print;	
		previously taught phonics	previously taught high	naming words; action	
		skills, short and long	frequency words; words	words; describing words;	
		vowel sounds	with short a, e, i, o, and u	order words	
		Wk 3 - review all	Wk 3 - review all	Wk 3 - concepts of print;	
		previously taught phonics	previously taught high	naming words; action	
		skills, short and long	frequency words; words	words; describing words;	
		vowel sounds	with short a, e, i, o, and u	order words	

# Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 1

## **Alphabet Books and Children Who Read Them**

Unit 1 - Number of Weeks: 6 - September

**Essential Question:** Why is it important to ask questions while you are reading?

Terminology: alphabet books, author, capitalization, illustrator, informational, key details, periods, poems, question marks, questions, research question, shared research, sort, stories, topic

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	other works identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.1.1: Ask and answer questions about key details and events in a	**Mark Anchor Texts:     ** "Read to Me" (Jane Yolen)     (Read Aloud)	<ul><li>DRA</li><li>DIBELS</li><li>GRADE</li></ul>
text.  RI.1.1: Ask and answer	Tomas and the Library Lady (Pat Mora and Raul Colon) (E) (Read Aloud) (440L)	READING LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING
questions about key details in a text.	Poems (Read Aloud) (440L)	As you read the book <i>Tomas and the Library Lady</i> , pause periodically and encourage students to ask questions. By using "I wonder" as the beginning of the question, have students
W.1.7: Participate in shared research and writing projects.	<ul> <li>"Books Fall Open" (David McCord) (Read Aloud) 1</li> <li>"Books to the Ceiling" (Arnold Lobel) (EA) (Read Aloud)</li> </ul>	predict what is coming next in the story and clarify understanding. Use sticky notes or whiteboards to keep each child engaged in the questioning. (RL.1.1)
<b>SL.1.1:</b> Participate in collaborative conversations with	<ul> <li>"Good Books, Good Times!" (Lee Bennett Hopkins) 1</li> <li>"How to Eat a Poem" (Eve Merriam) (EA) (Read Aloud)</li> </ul>	INFORMATIVE WRITING, RESEARCH Using the ABC books as a model, generate some ideas for writing a class ABC book. Work together as a class to come up with potential research questions. Begin by asking questions

## Suggested Works/Resources

# **Sample Activities and Assessment**

diverse partners about Grade One topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.

- L.1.1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
- L.1.1j: Produce and expand complete simple and compound declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentences in response to prompts.

"You Read to Me. I'll Read to You" (Mary Ann Hoberman and Michael Emberley) 1

#### Stories

- A Kiss for Little Bear (Else Holmelund Minarik and Maurice Sendak) (EA) (100L)
- Alphabet Mystery (Audrey) Wood and Bruce Wood) (Read Aloud) (430L)
- Chicka Chicka Boom Boom (Bill Martin, Jr., John Archambault, and Lois Ehlert) (Read Aloud)
- Dr. Seuss's ABC: An Amazing Alphabet Book! (Dr. Seuss) (EA) (Read Aloud)
- I Can Read With My Eyes Shut! (Dr. Seuss) (EA) (Read Aloud) (380L)
- Little Bear's Visit (Else Holmelund Minarik and Maurice Sendak) (EA) (290L)
- ¡Marimba! Animales From A to Z (Pat Mora and Doug Cushman) (EA) (Read Aloud)
- Morris Goes to School (Bernard Wiseman) (190L)
- Our Library (Eve Bunting and Maggie Smith) (Read Aloud)
- The Library (Sarah Stewart and David Small) (Read Aloud) (390L)

such as, "Is it possible to create an ABC book with Games to Play as our title?" Allow the class to give some ideas (e.g., names, authors, books, plants, insects). After ideas have been shaped into a research question, allow the children to vote on a theme for the class ABC book. Once the theme is chosen. gather information from a variety of texts and digital resources for each letter of the alphabet. Decide on a design for the book. Assign each student a letter in the book. Each page should include an upper and lower case letter, the key word, an illustration, and a sentence using the key word. Be sure to have them follow rules for spelling and punctuating correctly. (SL.1.1, W.1.7, W.1.2, W.1.8, L.1.1 a, L.1.1j, L.1.2b, L.1.2d, L.1.2e, RF.1.1a)

#### LANGUAGE MECHANICS, SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Introduce the writing of declarative and interrogative sentences by focusing on an informational ABC book, such as Eating the Alphabet: Fruits and Vegetables from A to Z (Lois Ehlert). On a chart, write a question such as "What is your favorite fruit?" Teach the students to answer the question with a complete declarative response, such as "My favorite fruit is a strawberry." Discuss the end punctuation. Continue this activity to teach the expansion of sentences to include details, such as "Strawberries are my favorite fruit because they are juicy, sweet, and delicious." (L.1.1j, L.1.2b, W.1.5, SL.1.6)

#### **INFORMATIVE WRITING, LANGUAGE MECHANICS**

Give students this prompt: "Children should eat healthy foods. exercise, and take care of their bodies. Name one way to stay healthy. Supply some facts about the topic you chose and provide closure at the end of your writing." As students write, watch closely that they focus on just one way to stay healthy and that they compose an essay supported by facts. Encourage students to write complete sentences and to use

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Focus Standards	<ul> <li>INFORMATIONAL TEXTS Nonfiction Books         <ul> <li>26 Letters and 99 Cents (Tana Hoban) (EA)</li> <li>A Good Night's Sleep (Rookie Read-About Health) (Sharon Gordon) (Read Aloud) (180L)</li> <li>Alphabet City (Stephen T. Johnson)</li> <li>An A to Z Walk in the Park (R.M. Smith) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>Eating the Alphabet: Fruits &amp; Vegetables from A to Z (Harcourt Brace Big Book) (Lois Ehlert) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>Exactly the Opposite(Tana Hoban) (EA)</li> <li>Exercise (Rookie Read-About Health) (Sharon Gordon) (90L)</li> <li>Germs! Germs! Germs! (Hello Reader Science Level 3) (Bobbi Katz and Steve Bjorkman) (170L)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	the correct end punctuation. (W.1.2, L.1.1j, L.1.2b)  Reading Informational Text, Speaking and Listening Tell the students that just because books are called "ABC books" does not mean they are always easy to understand. Therefore, to understand them, we have to be willing to ask questions and to think deeply and look for key details. Tell the students that they are going to look at <i>The Graphic Alphabet</i> . Using a document camera for viewing this book would be helpful. On each page, there is a letter, but there is something more going on than just that letter. Look at A. Have the students ask questions about the page and try to answer them (e.g., "Why is the letter A crumbling? Could the letter be a mountain? Is that an avalanche?"). As you go through the book and throughout the unit, introduce the new vocabulary. (RI.1.1, RI.1.7, L.1.1j, SL.1.2)  READING LITERATURE, READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, READING POETRY, SPEAKING AND LISTENING Throughout this unit, students read from a variety of texts: stories, poems, and informational texts. When you have a tenminute block, play "I Spy" with the children (e.g., "I spy an informational book," "I spy a nonfiction book"). The students then have to guess which book you are looking at in the display of unit books. (RL.1.5, L.1.1)
	<ul> <li>I Read Signs (Tana Hoban) (E)</li> <li>I Spy: An Alphabet in Art (Lucy Micklethwait) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>Look Book (Tana Hoban) (EA)</li> <li>Museum ABC (New York Metropolitan Museum of Art) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>School Bus (Donald Crews)</li> </ul>	of unit books. (RL.1.5, L.1.1)  READING POETRY, READING FLUENCY, PERFORMANCE The theme of the poetry in this unit is the love of books and language. By visually displaying the poems (i.e., an interactive whiteboard, document camera, overhead projector, or chart paper), students will review sight words and see the way the poem is written (i.e., with lines and stanzas). Using a poem such as "Good Books, Good Times!" (Lee Bennett Hopkins) or

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>(EA)</li> <li>The Graphic Alphabet (David Pelletier) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>The Hidden Alphabet (Laura Vaccaro Seeger) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>The Turn-Around, Upside-Down Alphabet Book (Lisa Campbell Ernst) (Read Aloud) (AD1130L)</li> <li>ART, MUSIC AND MEDIA Art</li> <li>Pieter Bruegel, Children's Games (1560)</li> </ul>	"How to Eat a Poem" (Eve Merriam), encourage the students to read with you repeatedly and to ask questions until they understand the poem. Poetry is easily transformed into choral reading (reciting) by highlighting lines from one punctuation mark to the next, and then assigning groups to read those highlighted sections. (SL.1.2, RF.1.4)  ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING Look at Children's Games by Pieter Bruegel. Ask the students to study it closely for a few minutes and write down any questions they have about what they see. When the time is up, have them ask their questions. As the students begin to ask questions aloud, write all of the questions on a chart (e.g., "What are they doing? Is that like a hula hoop? Was this painted a long time ago?"). Talk about the value of asking questions and how we begin to open our minds to think deeply about something. (The painting was done in the sixteenth century, and the artist was perhaps trying to show all of the games he knew. You may want to note the few toys children had—sticks, hoops, etc.) (SL.1.2)

# Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 1

## **The Amazing Animal World**

Unit 2 Number of Weeks: 6 - Oct.-mid Nov.

**Essential Question:** How can reading teach us about writing?

**Terminology:** categories, context clues, informative/explanatory, lesson, main topic, message, retell and revision

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/ RL.1.2: Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of the central message or lesson.  RI.1.2: Identify the main	Works/Resources  (E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar  ANCHOR TEXTS:  • "The Owl and the Pussycat" in The Complete Nonsense of Edward Lear (Edward Lear) (E) (Read Aloud)  • Amazing Whales! (Sarah L. Thomson) (E) (Read Aloud) (920L)	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming
topic and retell key details of a text.  RL.1.5: Explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that give information, drawing on a wide reading of a range of text types.  L.1.5: With guidance and	Starfish (Let's-Read-and-FindScience) (Edith Thacher Hurd and Robin Brickman) (E) (AD170L)  Poems  "Fish" (Mary Ann Hoberman)  "I Know All the Sounds that the Animals Make" in Something Big Has Been Here (Jack Prelutsky) (Read Aloud)	each animal (main topic) mentioned. Record key details, such as where the animal lives (i.e., its habitat), what the animal eats (i.e., whether it is an herbivore, carnivore, or omnivore), and an interesting fact (e.g., its method of adaptation) on the chart. Ask students to supply at least one piece of information on a sticky note when you are finished reading. Create and add to similar charts about animal facts as you read to the children and as they read independently. Use these charts to create oral and written sentences about the animals. (RI.1.2, L.1.5b, L.1.1j)

## Suggested Works/Resources

# **Sample Activities and Assessment**

support, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

L.1.5(b): Define words by category and by one or more key attributes (e.g., a duck is a bird that swims; a tiger is a large cat with stripes).

**W.1.2:** Write informative/explanatory texts in which they name a topic, supply some facts about the topic, and provide some sense of closure.

SL.1.2: Ask and answer questions about key details in a text readaloud or information presented orally or through other media.

- "The Fox's Foray" in *The* Oxford Nursery Rhyme Book (Anonymous) (E) (Read Aloud)
- "The Pasture" in The Poetry of Robert Frost (Robert Frost) (Read Aloud)
- "The Purple Cow" in *The* Burgess Nonsense Book Being a Complete Collection of the Humorous Masterpieces of Gelett Burgess (Gelett Burgess) (Read Aloud)

#### **Stories**

- Are You My Mother? (Philip D. Eastman) (E) (80L)
- Finn Family Moomintroll (Tove Jansson) (E) (Read Aloud) (AD770L)
- Mouse Soup (Arnold Lobel) (EA) Mouse Tales (Arnold Lobel) (EA) (240L)
- Uncle Elephant (Arnold Lobel) (EA) (330L)

## **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS**

#### **Nonfiction Books**

- A Nest Full of Eggs (Let's-Read-and-Find...Science) (Priscilla Belz Jenkins and Lizzy Rockwell) (E series) (Read Aloud) (AD630L)
- Big Tracks, Little Tracks: Following Animal Prints (Let's-

#### READING LITERATURE. VOCABULARY

Read a fictional animal story, such as Are You My Mother? (Philip D. Eastman). Discuss the vocabulary in the story and work on understanding unknown words. Ask the students (if, for example, discussing Are You My Mother?), "What word was funny in the story because of the way it was used?" (Possible answer: "Snort.") Then ask, "How did you know what it meant?" Divide the students into groups of three and have them tell the story to each other, taking turns as each tells a part. Let them know that if they are stuck on a part of the story, you will allow them to use the book to solve the problem. Encourage the students to try to remember as many details as they can for retelling the story because details are what make the story interesting. When they are finished retelling the story, talk about what lesson might be learned from the story and what new words they learned. (L.1.4a, RL.1.2)

#### READING LITERATURE, READING COMPREHENSION, **SPEAKING AND LISTENING**

Choose a fantasy read-aloud, such as Finn Family Moomintroll (Tove Jansson). Continuing to focus on the retelling of fiction, give the children the opportunity to retell the previous chapters by allowing them to choose an object to prompt the retelling. For example, provide a number of props (e.g., a black hat made of construction paper), and ask students to find the appropriate object when it appears in the story and put it into a "retelling basket." Before each reading time, have the students retell the story using the gathered objects as prompts for remembering characters and events. By the time the book ends, you will have an object for each chapter or key event in the book—and the students will be efficient storytellers. (RL.1.2)

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested	Sample Activities and Assessment
Tocus Standards	Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Read-and-FindScience) (Millicent E. Selsam and Marlene Hill Donnelly) (E series) (AD370L)  • Biggest, Strongest, Fastest (Steve Jenkins) (EA) (Read Aloud) (AD840L)  • Creature ABC (Andrew Zuckerman) (Read Aloud)  • Earthworms (Claire Llewellyn and Barrie Watts) (E) (Read Aloud) (700L)  • How Animals Work (DK Publishing) (Read Aloud)  • Never Smile at a Monkey: And 17 Other Important Things to Remember (Steve Jenkins) (EA) (Read Aloud) (AD920L)  • What Do You Do When Something Wants To Eat You? (Steve Jenkins) (EA) (Read Aloud) (AD580L)  • What Do You Do With a Tail Like This? (Steve Jenkins and Robin Page) (E) (Read Aloud)(620L)  • What Lives in a Shell? (Let's-Read-and-FindScience) (Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld and Helen K. Davie) (E series) (AD460L)  • What's It Like to Be a Fish? (Let's-Read-and-FindScience) (Wendy	READING LITERATURE, LANGUAGE USAGE Follow up on a book read previously in class, such as <i>Are You My Mother?</i> (Philip D. Eastman). Go back and reread the story. As you read it this time, read for the purpose of finding all of the animals and things that baby bird thought might be his mother. As students find the words, write them on index cards (e.g., kitten, hen, dog, cow, boat, plane). Sort the words into categories (e.g., animals, modes of transportation). Think of more words for each of the categories. This activity could also be done with a poem such as "The Pasture" or "I Know All the Sounds the Animals Make." After reading and rereading (reciting) the poem, gather the nouns in the poem and sort them according to categories (e.g., places, animals, sounds). (L.1.5a, L.1.1b)  READING LITERATURE, LANGUAGE MECHANICS As students read independently, remind them that different characters often tell the story at different times in a book. Using a book such as <i>Mouse Tales</i> (Arnold Lobel), allow the students to reread parts of the text where the weasel speaks, where the mouse speaks, and where the narrator tells the story. Provide elbow macaroni at each table. Ask students to place the macaroni on the quotation marks in the book, reminding them that it means someone is speaking. Assigning the parts to three readers will show others how dialogue works in literature. (RL.1.6)  ART, INFORMATIVE WRITING Since the students have now completed an artistic masterpiece of their favorite animal, extend the work into a writing assignment. Give the students this prompt: "Write about your favorite animal. Be sure to include interesting facts about your animal and include a catchy beginning, some facts, and a strong ending." Allow your students to begin by working in

#### **Focus Standards** Suggested **Sample Activities and Assessment** Works/Resources Pfeffer and Holly Keller) (E teams to gather information. Using nonfiction texts, remind series) (Read Aloud) (AD680L) them to use the index or table of contents to locate more information about the animal. When they have some basic Where Are the Night Animals? information, have them write the first draft. Ensure that adults (Let's-Read-andare available to help with revision of the writing. Display the Find...Science) (Mary Ann published writing with the Matisse-style artwork (see Fraser) (E series) (AD460L) • Where Do Chicks Come Informative/Explanatory Writing [Art Connection]). (W.1.2, W.1.5, RI.1.5, RI.1.10, RF.1.4) From? (Let's-Read-and-Find...Science) (Amy E. ART, INFORMATIVE WRITING Sklansky and Pam Paparone) Ask the students to draw an animal of their choice. They will (E series) (Read Aloud) then color it using the animal's real colors, or they could (AD640L) choose to use other colors. Students may also choose to do either a realistic or abstract version of their animal. Ask the **ART, MUSIC AND MEDIA** students to write an informative/explanatory text based on their Art drawing, using their choice of realistic or creative coloring. Albrecht Dürer, A Young Hare (W.1.2) (no date) Henri Matisse, The Snail READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, SPEAKING AND (1953)LISTENING • Henri Rousseau, The Before beginning this lesson, ask students what they are Flamingoes (1907) experts at doing (e.g., bike riding, roller skating, or back flips). Louisa Matthíasdóttir. Five Allow some time to share. Remind the students that an author Sheep (no date) is a real person who has worked hard to know the information Marc Chagall. I and the Village to fill a book such as What Do You Do with a Tail Like This? (1945)(Steve Jenkins). Ask the students to think about how authors Paul Klee, Cat and Bird (1928) become experts on a topic, such as the tails of animals. If Susan Rothenberg, Untitled possible, invite a speaker who has expertise in something. Talk (Horse) (1976) about how they became an expert. Talk about why this makes informational texts better and how having good information can help improve one's writing. (RI.1.2, SL.1.3)

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
		ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING  Select three or four works to view (e.g., the Klee, Chagall, and Dürer). Ask the students the following questions: What animal do you see in this work? Does anyone see a different animal? What color is the animal? Is this the real color of this animal? Why do you think the artist chose the color he or she did? Begin to introduce the concept of abstraction (versus realism) by comparing the Dürer image with either the Klee or the Chagall. Ask questions like: Is this exactly what a rabbit looks like? What about a cat? A picture of a cow? How can we tell the difference? What was the artist trying to do? (SL.1.1.b, SL.1.3, SL.1.4)
		ART, INFORMATIVE WRITING Using a projector and computer, display the Tate's website for Matisse's The Snail. Encourage students to comment about the colors and what they see in the artwork. As you read the background information and move through the site, students will see the process Matisse used to create his work. Students will then create a work of their favorite animal from this unit using torn pieces of painted paper. Later, do a shared writing in which the students explain the steps taken to create an art piece in the style of Matisse. This activity could be a model for a piece of informative/explanatory writing later. (W.1.7, SL.1.2)

# Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 1

## **Life Lessons**

Unit 3 Number of Weeks: 6 - mid Nov.-mid Jan.

**Essential Question:** How can stories teach us life lessons?

**Terminology:** adjectives, affixes, characters, complete sentences, declarative, end punctuation, exclamatory, fable, imperative, interrogative, key events, lesson, message, moral, narratives, period, revision, setting, verbs

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	other works identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.1.3: Describe	ANCHOR TEXTS:	• DRA
characters, settings, and	<ul> <li>"By Myself" in Honey I Love</li> </ul>	DIBELS
major events in a story,	and Other Poems (Eloise	GRADE
using key details.	Greenfield) (E)	
	<ul> <li>Green Eggs and Ham (Dr.</li> </ul>	INFORMATIVE WRITING, LANGUAGE USAGE, SPEAKING
RL.1.2: Retell stories,	Seuss) (E) (30L)	AND LISTENING
including key details, and		One of the life lessons focused on in this unit is manners. With
demonstrate		the students, create a list of "lunchroom manners" using a book
understanding of the	Poems	such as Manners (Aliki). Students should dictate the sentences
central message or	<ul> <li>"I'm Making a List" in Where</li> </ul>	while you write them on sentence strips. In this writing lesson,
lesson.	the Sidewalk Ends (Shel	focus on writing complete sentences with subject-verb
DIA Co Distinguish	Silverstein) (Read Aloud)	agreement. To practice handwriting and correct sentence
RI.1.6: Distinguish	<ul> <li>"My Mother Says I'm</li> </ul>	construction, have the students copy some of the sentences.
between information	Sickening" in The New Kid on	Sentences such as these can be illustrated and compiled in a
provided by pictures or other illustrations and	the Block (Jack Prelutsky)	book titled Lunchroom Manners. A follow-up to this lesson
	(Read Aloud)	would be a humorous list of lunchroom manners inspired by
information provided by the words in a text.	"Ridiculous Rose" in Where	Prelutsky and Silverstein and written in poetic form. (SL.1.6,
the words in a text.	the Sidewalk Ends (Shel	L.1.1c, L.1.1e, L.1.1j)
	Silverstein)	

# Suggested Works/Resources

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

# W.1.3: Write narratives in which they recount two or more appropriately sequenced events, include some details regarding what happened, use temporal words to signal event order, and provide some sense of closure.

- L.1.2: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
- **L.1.2 (b):** Use end punctuation for sentences.
- **RF.1.4:** Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
- **RF.1.4 (b):** Read on-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.

• "Sharing" in Falling Up (Shel Silverstein)

Goops and How to Be Them:

 A Manual of Manners for Polite
 Children (Gelett Burgess)
 (Read Aloud)

#### Stories

- Alexander and the Wind-up Mouse (Leo Lionni) (Read Aloud) (490L)
- Fables (Arnold Lobel) (EA) (Read Aloud) (540L)
- Inch by Inch (Leo Lionni) (210L)
- Lousy Rotten Stinkin' Grapes (Margie Palatini and Barry Moser) (AD340L)
- Punctuation Takes a Vacation (Robin Pulver and Lynn Rowe Reed) (Read Aloud) (370L)
- Seven Blind Mice (Ed Young) (EA) Swimmy (Leo Lionni) (Read Aloud) (AD350L)
- The Blind Men and the Elephant (Karen Backstein and Annie Mitra) (280L)
- The Boy Who Cried Wolf (B.G. Hennessy and Boris Kulikov) (Read Aloud)
- The Hare and The Tortoise (Swahili) (Helen Ward) (Read Aloud) (AD430L)
- The Lion & the Mouse (Jerry

# READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, READING COMPREHENSION, SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Introduce the book *A Weed Is a Flower: The Life of George Washington Carver*. Explain that illustrations and text are both very important in a book. Guide students as they read by asking them first to think about what you can learn from the illustrations. Create a two-column chart with "illustrations" on one side and "text" on the other side. When students learn something from studying the illustration, they will write it on a sticky note and put it in the book. When students learn something from the written words of the text, they will also note it on a sticky note. When the students are finished reading the book, use sticky notes to guide the discussion focusing on learning from illustrations and learning from the text. (RI.1.6)

# READING LITERATURE, INFORMATIVE WRITING, SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Tell the students that the Indian fable "The Blind Men and the Elephant" is the original telling of a fable more commonly known in the United States as "Seven Blind Mice." Read the original story first and then read "Seven Blind Mice." (Read aloud to students, or they may read on their own if they are able.) As the two fables are added to the fable story chart (found elsewhere in this Unit 3 Activities and Assessments Section), ask the students to explain how these two stories are the same and how they are different. Use a digital camera to take photographs of the process of creating the artwork. Use these photographs to guide the writing of the shared explanatory paper. (RL.1.9, RL.1.2)

#### READING LITERATURE, LANGUAGE MECHANICS

To introduce the relationship between punctuation and reading expression, use the book *Yo!* Yes? Show the students the cover of the book with its very simple title: Yo! Yes? Ask how

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Pinkney)  The Little Red Hen (Paul Galdone) (Read Aloud) (510L)  The Tortoise and the Hare (Janet Stevens) (Read Aloud) (540L)  The Ugly Duckling (Hans Christian Andersen and Jerry Pinkney) (Read Aloud)(AD650L)  Town Mouse, Country Mouse (Jan Brett) (Read Aloud) (AD530L)	someone would say those words. As you read the book with the students, have the boys read one page, and the girls the opposite page. As they focus on the illustrations and the way the author ends each sentence, they will know how to read the words, and a story will be created in their minds. Follow this reading with other books so that the children learn how important it is to read with the end punctuation in mind. Extension: Reading (reciting) poetry with punctuated lines such as "Sharing," would be a way to extend this knowledge of punctuation and dramatic expression into other literary forms. Follow this activity with practice using different kinds of end punctuation. (RL.1.6, RF.1.4b, L.1.2b, RL.1.7)
	<ul> <li>Yo! Yes? (Chris Raschka)</li> <li>INFORMATIONAL TEXTS Nonfiction Books         <ul> <li>A Weed is a Flower: The Life of George Washington Carver (Aliki) (E) (AD640L)</li> <li>Flick a Switch: How Electricity Gets to Your Home (Barbara Seuling and Nancy Tobin) (Read Aloud) (580L)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Assign this narrative prompt: "Think of a time when you learned a lesson. Be sure to include at least two sequenced events, use time cue words, provide some details, and include a sense of closure." Encourage the students to think about the lessons learned in the fables as they write their own story. Be sure the students focus on the beginning, middle, and end (where they tell about the lesson learned). Edit to be sure that nouns (singular and plural) match verbs and that verb tenses are correct and consistent. (W.1.3, W.1.5, RL.1.2, L.1.1c, L.1.1e, L.1.1j)
	<ul> <li>George Washington Carver         (Rookie Biographies) (Lynea         Bowdish)(350L)</li> <li>Georgia O'Keeffe (Getting to         Know the World's Greatest         Artists) (Mike Venezia) (Read         Aloud)</li> <li>Hello! Good-bye! (Aliki) (EA)         (Read Aloud)</li> <li>Manners (Aliki) (EA) (Read</li> </ul>	INFORMATIVE WRITING, SPEAKING AND LISTENING, ORAL PRESENTATION  After reading several books about electricity, create a list of rules for safety (e.g., avoiding electrical outlets with wet hands). Divide the rules evenly among the students and assign the task of creating a safety poster for each one. Each student will write a rule neatly and show additional information (i.e., the application of the rule) in his or her illustration. Create sets of posters and allow students to present their rules to another

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Aloud)  • My Light (Molly Bang) (EA) (690L)(Read Aloud)  • Thomas Alva Edison (Rookie Biographies) (Wil Mara) (390L)  • Watch Out! At Home (Claire Llewellyn and Mike Gordon) (Read Aloud)  • What is Electricity? (Rookie Read-About Science) (Lisa Trumbauer) (440L)  Art, Music and Media Art  • Georgia O'Keeffe, Jack in the Pulpit No. IV (1930)  • Georgia O'Keeffe, Jimson Weed (1936)	Classroom or grade level. (W.1.2, RI.1.6, SL.1.5, SL.1.6)  READING LITERATURE, READING COMPREHENSION Tell the students that fables are stories that teach us a lesson. The characters in the story are usually animals and have one main characteristic. Read the familiar fable "The Tortoise and the Hare." Ask students what they can tell you about the tortoise. (He's slow, but steady.) What can they tell about the hare? (He's fast, but undependable.) Create a chart with cells for the title, characters (with one characteristic each), setting, key events (i.e., from the beginning, middle, and end), and the lesson learned (i.e., the moral of the story). As you read each fable in this unit, continue to fill in the chart. Give students more and more responsibility for filling in the characters, setting, and key events of a fable. Assess understanding at the end of the unit by reading a fable and then have each child write or dictate the entries on his or her own chart. (RL.1.3, RL.1.2)
	<ul> <li>Georgia O'Keeffe, Oriental Poppies (1928)</li> <li>Georgia O'Keeffe, Red Poppy (1927)</li> <li>Georgia O'Keeffe, Two Calla Lilies on Pink (1928)</li> <li>Vincent van Gogh, Almond Blossom (1890)</li> <li>Vincent van Gogh, Butterflies and Poppies (1890)</li> <li>Vincent van Gogh, Irises (1890)</li> <li>Vincent van Gogh, Sunflowers (1888-1889)</li> </ul>	ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING Show students images of van Gogh's works in comparison to O'Keeffe's, and discuss the following as a class: Both of these artists painted flowers. What is similar and different about their paintings? Why do you think each painter chose to paint the flowers they did? Was it because of their color or shape? Do the flowers remind you of anything—like faces or groups of people? (SL.1.3)  ART, INFORMATIVE WRITING Consider showing both O'Keeffe and van Gogh works without titles. Have students write a short description of what they see. Which flower can you see actually growing and changing? Which painter chose to make his or her works more abstract? Who painted flowers realistically? (W.1.7, W.1.8)

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# Winds of Change

Unit 4 Number of Weeks: 6 - mid Jan.-mid March

Essential Question: How do you know what a character is feeling and when these feelings change?

Terminology: cause, effect, revision, verbs

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	other works identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.1.4: Identify words	ANCHOR TEXTS:	DIBELS
and phrases in stories or	<ul> <li>"Drinking Fountain" in Random</li> </ul>	• DRA
poems that suggest	House Book of Poetry for	• GRADE
feelings or appeal to the	Children (Marchette Chute) (E)	
senses.	<ul> <li>Owl at Home (Arnold Lobel)</li> </ul>	READING LITERATURE, READING COMPREHENSION
	(E) (370L)	Read The Wonderful Wizard of Oz aloud to the class. As
RI.1.8: Identify the		students meet each character in the text, guide them to think
reasons an author gives	Poems	about the character's feelings and how the author shows us
to support points in a	<ul><li>"Blow, Wind, Blow!"</li></ul>	how the character feels. Discuss how the author helps us use
text.	(Traditional) (Read Aloud)	our senses to see, smell, feel, hear, and even taste while we
	<ul> <li>"Covers" in The Sun is So</li> </ul>	are reading a book. As you read aloud, model the way you are
W.1.5: With guidance	Quiet (Nikki Giovanni) (E)	drawn to use your senses. For example, in the second
and support, focus on a	"It Fell in the City" in	paragraph of Chapter One, the author describes Kansas so
topic, respond to	Blackberry Ink (Eve Merriam)	that you can "see" the countryside clearly. Then he goes on to
questions and	(E)	describe Aunt Em, Uncle Henry, Toto, and Dorothy, with a
suggestions from peers,	"Laughing Boy" in <i>Haiku: This</i>	focus on their feelings. (RL.1.3, RL.1.4)
and add details to	Other World (Richard Wright)	
strengthen writing as	(E)	

# Suggested Works/Resources

# **Sample Activities and Assessment**

needed.

- L.1.5: With guidance and support, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
- L.1.5(d): Distinguish shades of meanings among verbs differing in manner (e.g., look, peek, glance, stare, glare, and scowl)
- **SL.1.4:** Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.

 "The Wind" in A Child's Garden of Verses (Robert Louis Stevenson) (Read Aloud)

- "Who Has Seen The Wind?" in Rossetti: Poems (Everyman's Library Pocket Poets) (Christina Rossetti) (E) (Read Aloud)
- "Windy Nights" in A Child's Garden of Verses (Robert Louis Stevenson) (Read Aloud)

#### **Stories**

- Alexander and the Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (Judith Viorst and Ray Cruz) (Read Aloud) (AD970L)
- Alexander, Who's Not (Do You Hear Me? I Mean It!) Going to Move (Judith Viorst, Ray Cruz, and Robin Preiss Glasser) (Read Aloud) (730L)
- Changes, Changes (Pat Hutchins)
- Frog and Toad All Year (Arnold Lobel) (EA) (300L)
- Goin' Someplace Special (Patricia C. McKissack and Jerry Pinkney) (Read Aloud) (AD550L)
- If You Give a Mouse a Cookie (Laura Joffe Numeroff and

#### **READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, LANGUAGE USAGE**

As you read books about the topic of wind or tornadoes, place the word "tornado" in the center of a display board. Look for causes of tornadoes (post on the left) and the effects of tornadoes (post on the right), creating a visual graphic organizer for cause and effect. Have students use the graphic organizer to create sentences showing cause and effect (e.g., "The high winds of the tornado tore the roof from the top of the Civic Center."). Repeat this activity as you read other informational books with a cause-and-effect structure, giving students more of the responsibility for placing sticky notes on the graphic organizer and writing out the sentences. (RL.1.10, RI.1.8)

#### **NARRATIVE WRITING, LANGUAGE USAGE**

Give students this prompt: "Write a story about a time you felt happy. Be sure to include at least two sequenced events, use time cue words, provide some details, and include a sense of closure." Combining the focuses of this unit (revision, appealing to the senses with details, and using well-chosen verbs), zero in on details and synonyms while the students revise their stories. Help the students to watch for the proper use of personal, possessive, and indefinite pronouns (e.g., I, me, my; they, them, their; anyone, everything) as they are editing. (W.1.3, W.1.5, L.1.1d)

# READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, INFORMATIVE WRITING, POETRY WRITING

Introduce an informative article such as "Wind Power" (National Geographic Young Explorers). First, ask students to think about what wind causes and brainstorm with the children. Then, have the students read the article independently, with partners, or with the teacher to find out what the wind causes. Continue this activity with more nonfiction articles and books,

#### **Focus Standards** Suggested **Sample Activities and Assessment** Works/Resources Felicia Bond) (Read Aloud) continually giving students more of the responsibility for recording their own ideas. Throughout the unit, continue (AD660L) • My Name is Yoon (Helen reading and reciting the poems in the unit to build a love for poetry. Blend the recording of ideas from the nonfiction works Recorvits and Gabi into a creative writing activity by creating an illustrated free-Swiatkowska) (320L) form poem using the wind cause-and-effect chart as • Ten Apples Up on Top! (Dr. inspiration. As a class, generate more effects of wind that Seuss) (EA) students may have witnessed. Begin and end the poem with • The Bat Boy and His Violin the word wind. (RL.1.10, RI.1.8, W.1.7, W.1.8) (Gavin Curtis and E.B. Lewis) (Read Aloud) (AD700L) LANGUAGE USAGE The Wind Blew (Pat Hutchins) To teach the use of a comma in a series, list the five senses on (50L) the whiteboard. Give students a "setting" card (e.g., zoo, farm, The Wonderful Wizard of Oz or beach) and have them dictate a sentence using one of the (L. Frank Baum) (E) (Read senses, naming three things they sense in that setting. Explain Aloud)(1030L) that when we use the word and we are using a conjunction. For Twister on Tuesday (Marv example, "At the zoo, I smell popcorn, elephants, and cotton Pope Osborne and Sal candy." Write the dictated sentence and then challenge them to Murdocca) (EA) (Read Aloud) write their own sentences using and in the sentences. (L.1.2c. (310L) L.1.1g) When Sophie Gets Angry— Really, Really Angry... (Molly LANGUAGE USAGE, VOCABULARY Bang) (EA) To reinforce the idea of a wide range of alternatives for a word like "see," write the words "look," "peek," "glance," "stare," **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS** "glare," and "scowl" on cards. Have the students arrange the **Nonfiction Books** cards in order from the most to least cautious (e.g., peek • Wind Power (National $\rightarrow$ glance $\rightarrow$ look $\rightarrow$ stare $\rightarrow$ glare $\rightarrow$ scowl). Use a thesaurus to Geographic Young Explorers) add other synonyms of "to see" and add them into the range of (November-December 2009) words. (L.1.5d) (E) Feelings (Aliki) (EA) (Read MUSIC, READING LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND Aloud) LISTENING Flash, Crash, Rumble, and Throughout the day, play some violin concerto music in the Roll (Franklyn M. Branley and background. Ask the students how the music made them feel.

True Kelley) (Read Aloud)

#### **Focus Standards** Suggested **Sample Activities and Assessment** Works/Resources For example, ask them to finish this sentence: "During the (500L) How People Learned to Fly music. I felt ." Continue to listen to the music at any opportunity. Then, read the book The Bat Boy and His (Fran Hodgkins and True Violin, which is the story of a boy who loved to play the violin. Kelley) (E) (Read Aloud) After the students listen to the story, go back through the text (630L) and have the children talk about how the author used words Storms (National Geographic Readers) (Miriam Goin) and phrases to let the reader know how the characters in the book felt. (RL.1.4, L.1.1i) • Super Storms (Seymour Simon) (Read Aloud) ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING (NC670L) Take time to have students look at each painting closely. What Tornadoes (Seymour Simon) changes in Diebenkorn's series of Ocean Park works? Where? (Read Aloud)(1020L) Discuss together the use of one subject in this selection. What Tornadoes! (Gail Gibbons) aspects of the paintings stay the same? (SL.1.1, SL.1.3, (EA) (Read Aloud)(NC970L) SL.1.4, SL.1.6) Twisters and Other Terrible Storms: A Nonfiction ART, LANGUAGE USAGE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING Companion to Twister on Show students a sampling of Richard Diebenkorn's Ocean Tuesday (Will Osborne, Mary Park series, which the painter began in 1967 and worked on for Pope Osborne, and Sal the rest of his life. What do you see in these images—the Murdocca) (EA) (Read Aloud) ocean? Clouds? Sand? What techniques has Diebenkorn used (680L) to convey the look and feel of these objects? Use adjectives and action verbs to describe what you see. (SL.1.3, L.1.1, **ART, MUSIC AND MEDIA** L.1.5) Art Richard Diebenkorn, Ocean LANGUAGE USAGE Park No. 115 (1979) 1 Choose some verbs that are rather bland, such as "to walk." · Richard Diebenkorn, Ocean Ask the students to imagine that they are in the book (The Park No. 38 (1971) Wonderful Wizard of Oz) with Dorothy and that they are Richard Diebenkorn, Ocean walking on the yellow brick road. Have them imagine that they Park No. 49 (1972) are really happy (e.g., when they see the Emerald City). How Richard Diebenkorn, Ocean would they walk? (Possible answers: skip, run, dance.) Allow Park No. 54 (1972) Film students to show us how that kind of motion would look. Then, Victor Fleming, dir., The have them imagine that they are feeling scared (e.g., when Wizard of Oz. (1939) Music

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>Johann Sebastian Bach, Concerto for 2 Violins, Strings, and Continuo in D Minor (Double Violin Concerto) (1730-31)</li> <li>Ludwig van Beethoven, Violin Concerto in D Major, Op. 61 (1806)</li> <li>Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, Violin Concerto in D major, Op. 35 (1878)</li> <li>Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Violin Concerto No. 4 in D Major (1775)</li> </ul>	walking through the forest). How would they walk? (Possible answers: tiptoe, creep.) Make a list of all the words that could be used as a better choice than "walk." This lesson on verbs can be extended to cover tenses, roots, and affixes -ed, -s, - ing. To make the extending lessons more fun, create a word cloud (using a free online program like Wordle) for each verb tense (i.e., present tense verbs for "walk," past tense verbs for "walk," ) (SL.1.4, L1.1e, L.1.5d, L.1.4b, L.1.4c)

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## **American Contributions**

Unit 5 Number of Weeks: 6 - mid March-April

**Essential Question:** How does learning about remarkable people help us learn about history?

**Terminology:** biography, compare, contrast, expression, opinion, reread, support, timeline, word bank, words in context

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
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http://lexile.com/fab/	other works identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RI.1.10: With prompting	ANCHOR TEXTS:	• DRA
and support, read	<ul> <li>"Washington" in The Random</li> </ul>	DIBELS
informational texts	House Book of Poetry for	• GRADE
appropriately complex for	Children (Nancy Byrd Turner)	
Grade One.	(Read Aloud)	ART, SPEAKING & LISTENING
RI.1.3: Describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.	Little House in the Big Woods     (Laura Ingalls Wilder and Garth Williams) (E) (Read Aloud)     (930L)  Poems	Select several works to view for instance, you might choose to compare the Copley with the Stuart. Ask the students to turn to the person next to them and discuss such questions as: "Who is this subject? How did the artist choose to depict/portray this famous American?" Just by looking, search the paintings or photographs for important clues to discover
RF1.4: Read with sufficient accuracy and	<ul> <li>"Hope" in The Collected Poetry of Langston Hughes (Langston Hughes) (EA) (Read Aloud)</li> </ul>	who this person really is. (SL.1.1, SL.1.3, SL.1.4, SL.1.6)  READING LITERATURE, READING INFORMATIONAL
fluency to support	You're a Grand Old Flag	TEXT, SPEAKING AND LISTENING
comprehension.	(George M. Cohan and Norman Rockwell) (Read Aloud)	Create pairings of books that are literary and informational (e.g., George Washington and the General's Dog and The
RF.1.4(c): Use context to	Stories	Rookie Biography of George Washington). Discuss how
confirm or self-correct word recognition and	<ul> <li>A True Story About Jackie Robinson (Testing the Ice)</li> </ul>	reading a story about a character/historic person differs from reading a biography of the same person. Talk about how

# Suggested Works/Resources

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

understanding, rereading as necessary.

W1.1: Write opinion pieces in which [students] introduce the topic or name the book they are writing about, state an opinion, supply a reason for the opinion, and provide some sense of closure.

**SL.1.3:** Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to gather additional information or clarify something that is not understood.

(Sharon Robinson and Kadir Nelson) (Read Aloud)

- A. Lincoln and Me (Louise Borden and Ted Lewin) (Read Aloud) (AD650L)
- Abe Lincoln Crosses a Creek: A Tall, Thin Tale (Deborah Hopkinson and John Hendrix) (Read Aloud) (600L)
- George Washington and the General's Dog (Frank Murphy and Richard Walz) (Read Aloud) (380L)
- Mr. Lincoln's Whiskers (Karen Winnick) (Read Aloud) (420L)
- Rockwell: A Boy and His Dog (Loren Spiotta-DiMare and Cliff Miller) (Read Aloud) (AD710L)
- The Hatmaker's Sign: A Story by Benjamin Franklin (Candace Fleming and Robert Parker) (Read Aloud) (410L)
- Willie Was Different: A
   Children's Story (Norman
   Rockwell) (Read Aloud)(800L)

# INFORMATIONAL TEXTS Nonfiction Books

- A Picture Book of Benjamin Franklin (David A. Adler, John and Alexandra Wallner) (Read Aloud) (AD730L)
- A Picture Book of George Washington (David A. Adler,

these two books connect to each other. For example, ask questions like, "How were the books the same?" and "How were they different?" In this unit are numerous potential book pairings among the biographies, fictional stories, and even a fictional story written by the historical person himself (Benjamin Franklin). Pairing the readings presents an opportunity to highlight the different characteristics of each genre. (RL.1.5, RL.1.7, RI.1.3)

#### **OPINION WRITING**

Give students this prompt: "Choose one of the people from this unit that you think is the most interesting. Write about the person. Be sure to name the person and to give two or three reasons why you think he or she is the most interesting." (W1.1)

#### **MUSIC, VOCABULARY**

Display the lyrics to each of the songs on an overhead projector or interactive whiteboard. After singing the songs together several times, allow the students to choose words that are interesting to them and circle them. Help students look for clues in the text to determine word meanings. Check for the correct definitions in a dictionary. Collect these and other words to add to the word bank from reading throughout the unit. Continue reviewing the songs until the lyrics are well known or memorized. (RF.1.4c)

# READING LITERATURE, INFORMATIVE WRITING, NARRATIVE WRITING

Read and discuss *The Hatmaker's Sign* (Candace Fleming and Robert Parker). Talk about how it relates to revision. Instruct students to take a piece of their writing (such as the "most interesting" piece) and carefully work on revising ideas. Students should edit their pieces and publish them. (W1.5,

Focus Standards	Suggested	Sample Activities and Assessment
Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources  John and Alexandra Wallner) (Read Aloud)( AD750L)  • A Picture Book of Paul Revere (David A. Adler, John and Alexandra Wallner) (Read Aloud) (AD860L)  • Abraham Lincoln (Rookie Biographies) (Wil Mara) (280L)  • Benjamin Franklin (Rookie Biographies) (Wil Mara) (370L)  • Betsy Ross: The Story of Our Flag (Easy Reader Biographies) (Pamela Chanko) (Read Aloud) (490L)  • Dave the Potter: Artist, Poet, Slave (Laban Carrick Hill and Bryan Collier) (EA) (Read Aloud) (AD1100L)  • George Washington (Rookie Biographies) (Wil Mara) (520L)  • Jackie Robinson (Rookie Biographies) (Wil Mara) (390L)  • John, Paul, George, and Ben (Lane Smith) (Read Aloud) (AD660L)  • Laura Ingalls Wilder (Rookie Biographies) (Wil Mara) (230L)  • Let's Read About Cesar	RL.1.2)  READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, READING FLUENCY, SPEAKING AND LISTENING Have students choose one of the biographies they enjoyed reading. Have them practice reading the book until they can read it well (i.e., with phrasing and expression). As students read their biographies independently, look for opportunities to use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, encouraging the children to reread as necessary. Take the books to a kindergarten class and have students read the books aloud to students there. (RF.1.4a, RF.1.4b, RF.1.4c, RI.1.4, RI.1.10)  READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, SPEAKING AND LISTENING To help students make visual connections between events and people during early American history, create a simple timeline and record events as you read books on this topic together or as students report back on what they read independently. Students should understand that although these informational texts focus on different people or topics, it all happened at the same time in history. By extending the timeline to include historical figures, students begin to understand chronology and the connections between events in informational texts. (RI.1.3, RI.1.10)  INFORMATIVE WRITING, LANGUAGE USAGE, VOCABULARY
	<ul> <li>Let's Read About Cesar Chavez (Jerry Tello)</li> <li>Let's Read About—Abraham Lincoln (Scholastic First Biographies) (Sonia Black and Carol Heyer)</li> <li>Let's Read About—George</li> </ul>	WOCABULARY Give students this prompt: "Write three sentences about an American person we've read about recently, using at least three new words from our word bank in your work. Illustrate each sentence to demonstrate the meaning of each word." Do a mini-lesson on articles (a, the) and demonstrative pronouns

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Washington (Scholastic First Biographies) (Kimberly Weinberger and Bob Doucet)  • Paul Revere (Rookie Biographies) (Wil Mara) (350L)  • Pocahontas (DK Readers) (Caryn Jenner) (290L)  • The Man Who Walked Between the Towers (Mordicai Gerstein)(AD480L)  ART, MUSIC AND MEDIA Art  • Ben Wittick, Geronimo (Goyathlay), a Chiricahua Apache; full-length, kneeling with rifle (1887)  • Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at The Lincoln Memorial (1963)  • George P. A. Healy, Abraham Lincoln (1869)  • Gilbert Stuart, Dolley Madison (1804)  • Gilbert Stuart, George Washington (1796)  • John Singleton Copley, Paul Revere (1768)  • Portrait of Harriet Tubman (artist and date unknown)  Music  • George M. Cohan, "Yankee Doodle Boy"  • George M. Cohan, "You're a Grand Old Flag"	(this, that, these, those) as the students write their sentences. (L.1.1h, L.1.1j, L.1.6, L.1.5c, L.1.2a, L.1.2b, L.1.2d, L.1.2e)  ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING  Show students Stuart's portrait of Washington, the Martin Luther King Jr. photograph, and the photograph of Geronimo. Ask students to focus on the setting that surrounds each of the subjects. In the case of Washington, how did the painter place his subject in order to convey his importance? What does the painter add to the scene? How does this differ from the Martin Luther King Jr. photograph, where the photographer had to instantly capture the setting? Can you see a merging of these two qualities in the image of Geronimo? (SL.1.1, SL.1.3, SL.1.4, SL.1.6)  SPEAKING AND LISTENING, INFORMATIVE WRITING Invite a person from your community who has made a notable contribution to visit your classroom. After the speaker has shared his or her story, invite the students to ask questions to gather additional information or to clarify understanding. Write thank-you notes to guest speakers, telling the speaker one new thing learned during the presentation. (SL.1.3, W.1.8)

### Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 1

### **Around the World with a Glass Slipper**

Unit 6 Number of Weeks: 6 - May-June

**Essential Question:** What can versions of the same story teach us about different cultures?

Terminology: act out, compare, contrast, culture, dialogue, fairy tales, fantasy, "Once upon a time . . ." scene, and setting

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Works/Resources	
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	other works identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.1.9: Compare and	ANCHOR TEXTS:	• DRA
contrast the adventures	<ul> <li>"Star Light, Star Bright"</li> </ul>	DIBELS
and experiences of	(Traditional)	GRADE
characters in stories.	<ul> <li>Cinderella Penguin, or, The</li> </ul>	
	Little Glass Flipper (Janet	ART, LANGUAGE USAGE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING
RI.1.9: Identify basic	Perlman and John Peterson)	Discuss how countries and continents, as depicted in the
similarities in and	(Read Aloud) (680L)	literature in this unit, are very different. Introduce masks from
differences between two	<ul> <li>Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters</li> </ul>	different continents. As they view each mask, ask the students
texts on the same topic	(John Steptoe) (Read Aloud)	to think of describing words (i.e., adjectives) you would use to
(e.g., in illustrations,	(AD720L)	tell someone about the mask. Ask such questions as: "What
descriptions, or		materials do you think are used? Why do you believe each
procedures).		culture chooses specific colors or textures in their works of art?
	Stories	Can you guess how each object was used?" (L.1.5d, SL.1.4)
W.1.1: Write opinion	<ul> <li>Cinderella (Charles Perrault,</li> </ul>	
pieces in which they	Loek Koopmans, and Anthea	READING LITERATURE, OPINION WRITING, LANGUAGE
introduce the topic or	Bell) (Read Aloud) (AD720L)	<u>USAGE</u>
name the book they are	<ul> <li>Cinderella (Marcia Brown)</li> </ul>	Read many different versions of Cinderella. Then, give
writing about, state an	,	

### **Focus Standards**

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### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

opinion, supply a reason for the opinion, and provide some sense of closure.

**W.1.6:** With guidance and support from adults, use a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.

**L.1.5:** With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.

L.1.5(d): Distinguish shades of meanings among verbs differing in manner (e.g., look, peek, glance, stare, glare, [and] scowl) and adjectives differing in intensity (e.g., large, gigantic) by defining or choosing them, or by acting out the meanings.

SL.1.5: Add drawings or

(Read Aloud) (1000L)

- Cinderquacker (Mike Thaler and Dave Clegg) (Read Aloud)
- Fair, Brown & Trembling: An Irish Cinderella Story (Jude Daly) (Read Aloud)
- James Marshall's Cinderella (Barbara Karlin and James Marshall) (Read Aloud)
- Little Gold Star: A Spanish American Cinderella Tale (Robert D. San Souci and Sergio Martinez) (Read Aloud) (AD640L)
- Prince Cinders (Babette Cole) (Read Aloud) (AD630L)
- The Egyptian Cinderella (Shirley Climo and Ruth Heller) (Read Aloud) The Korean Cinderella (Shirley Climo and Ruth Heller) (Read Aloud) (AD620L)
- The Turkey Girl: A Zuni
   Cinderella Story (Penny
   Pollock and Ed Young) (EA)
   (Read Aloud) (860L)
- The Way Meat Loves Salt: A Cinderella Tale from the Jewish Tradition (Nina Jaffe and Louise August) (Read Aloud) (580L)
- Yeh-Shen: A Cinderella Story from China (Ai-Ling Louie and Ed Young) (EA) (Read Aloud)

students this prompt: "Choose your favorite version of the Cinderella story. Tell at least two reasons why you liked this version the most." Students should include the title of the book, at least two reasons why they thought it was their favorite, and a strong ending. Revision should focus on word choice, elaboration, or word order as they rewrite the paragraph. (W.1.1, L.1.1j, L.1.2a, L.1.2b, L.1.2d, L.1.2e, RL.1.9)

#### **READING LITERATURE, VOCABULARY**

As you begin the set of Cinderella stories, create a wall chart to organize the similarities and differences among the versions. Use categories that review the literary terms of this school year, such as: characters, setting, beginning, events (middle), and ending. (RL.1.1, RL.1.2, RL.1.9)

# READING LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING, ORAL PRESENTATION

Ask the students to think about how all of the Cinderella stories are different because of the time and place in which they happen. Challenge the students to draw the "trying on the slipper" scene as if it were happening right now and in the place where they live. Scan the pictures and create a slide for each image. Students present their drawings to the class, explaining their adaptation of the "slipper scene." (SL.1.5, SL.1.6, RL.1.9)

### READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Choose two books about the same continent such as *Australia* (Pull Ahead Books Continents, Madeleine Donaldson) and *Look What Came from Australia* (Kevin Davis). Discuss how the books are similar (because they are about the same continent). Determine how they are also different (because they are written by different authors and have different

#### Focus Standards Suggested **Sample Activities and Assessment** Works/Resources other visual displays to purposes). Then, read the books as a class. Make a chart with **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS** two columns, one for each book (e.g., Australia and Look What descriptions when appropriate to clarify **Nonfiction Books** Came from Australia). Work together to make a list of what is ideas, thoughts, and learned in each book and then look for similar information in Africa (Pull Ahead Books) feelings. both books. Challenge the students to do this activity with two Continents) (Madeline books, reading with a partner or reading one independently Donaldson) (430L) and having the teacher read the other aloud. (RF.1.4, RI.1.2, Ancient Egypt: A First Look at RI.1.3, RI.1.9, RI.1.10) People of the Nile (Bruce Strachan) (Read Aloud) (340L) READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, RESEARCH, ORAL Antarctica (Pull Ahead Books) **PRESENTATION** Continents) (Madeline Partner students to research the contributions/inventions of a Donaldson) (340L) country introduced to them in this unit. Tell them to work • Asia (Pull Ahead Books together to gather information from several different sources. Continents) (Madeline Building knowledge of the contributions of various countries Donaldson) that is gleaned from informational texts (e.g., the Look What Australia (Pull Ahead Books Came from . . . series), have students gather actual items that Continents) (Madeline represent the contributions (e.g., for China, writing paper, a Donaldson) (400L) compass, and paper money). Ask them to communicate DK First Atlas (Anita Ganeri findings by creating a museum of contributions by having the and Chris Oxlade) (Read students design information cards to go with each item. Aloud) Students could stand behind their table to explain the origins of Europe (Pull Ahead Books the items as visitors come through the museum. (SL.1.5, Continents) (Madeline RI.1.2, RI.1.5, RI.1.9, RI.1.10, W.1.7, W.1.8, L.1.2) Donaldson) (410L) Look What Came from Africa READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, READING (Miles Harvey) (Read Aloud) LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING Look What Came from Have students read one of the nonfiction books about a Australia (Kevin Davis) (Read continent or country. After the students finish, have them find Aloud) (870L) and review a fairy tale that is set in a similar place or culture.

Look What Came from China

(710L)

(Miles Harvey) (Read Aloud)

Look What Came from Egypt

(Miles Harvey) (Read

Discuss what students saw in both books (e.g., geography,

books are different (e.g., one tells a story; the other gives

factual information). (RL.1.5, RL.1.7, RI.1.9)

people, clothing, food, places, and customs). Discuss how the

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Aloud)(780L)  North America (Pull Ahead Books Continents) (Madeline Donaldson) (440L)  South America (Pull Ahead Books Continents) (Madeline Donaldson)  ART, MUSIC AND MEDIA  Art  Captain Scaramouche (Venice, Italy, date unknown)  Devil Dance mask (Aymara, Bolivia, ca. 1974)  Display mask (East Sepik, Papua New Guinea, ca. 1980)  Mask (Dan, Ivory Coast, ca. early twentieth century)	
	<ul> <li>Puppet mask (Japan, ca. early twentieth century)</li> <li>Shaman's mask (Inuit/Eskimo, Alaska, ca. early twentieth century)</li> </ul>	

#### **Grade 1: Poems and Songs**

#### Unit 1

# Books Fall Open by David McCord

Books fall open, you fall in,
delighted where you've never been;
hear voices not once heard before,
reach world on world through door on door;
find unexpected keys to things locked up beyond imaginings.

What might you be, perhaps become, because one book is somewhere?

Some wise delver into wisdom, wit, and wherewithal has written it.

True books will venture, dare you out, whisper secrets, maybe shout across the gloom to you in need, who hanker for a book to read.

# Books To the Ceiling by Arnold Lobel

Books to the ceiling
Books to the sky
My piles of books are a mile high
How I love them
How I need them
I'll have a long beard by the time I read them

# Good Books, Good Times by Lee Bennett Hopkins

Good books, good times
Good stories
Good rhymes
Good beginnings
Good ends
Good people
Good friends

Good fiction
Good facts
Good adventures
Good acts
Good stories
Good rhymes
GOOD books
GOOD times

# How To Eat A Poem by Eve Merriam

Don't be polite.

Bite in.

Pick it up with your fingers and lick the juice that may run down your chin.

It is ready and ripe now, whenever you are.

You do not need a knife or fork or spoon or plate or napkin or tablecloth.

For there is no core or stem or rind or pit or seed or skin to throw away.

# Read to Me by Jane Yolen

Read to me riddles and read to me rhymes
Read to me stories of magical times
Read to me tales about castles and kings
Read to me stories of fabulous things
Read to me pirates and read to me knights
Read to me dragons and dragon-book fights
Read to me spaceships and cowboys and then
When you are finished- please read them again.

#### **Fish**

#### by Mary Ann Hoberman

Look at them flit

Lickety-split

Wiggling

Swiggling

Swerving

Curving

Hurrying

Scurrying

Chasing

Racing

Whizzing

Whisking

Flying

Frisking

Tearing around

With a leap and a bound

But none of them making the tiniest

tiniest

tiniest

tiniest

sound.

#### The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear

The Owl and the Pussy-cat went to sea In a beautiful pea green boat, They took some honey, and plenty of money, Wrapped up in a five pound note. The Owl looked up to the stars above, And sang to a small guitar, 'O lovely Pussy! O Pussy my love, What a beautiful Pussy you are, You are, You are! What a beautiful Pussy you are!'

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Pussy said to the Owl, 'You elegant fowl!
How charmingly sweet you sing!
O let us be married! too long we have tarried:
But what shall we do for a ring?'
They sailed away, for a year and a day,
To the land where the Bong-tree grows
And there in a wood a Piggy-wig stood
With a ring at the end of his nose,
His nose,
With a ring at the end of his nose.

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'Dear pig, are you willing to sell for one shilling
Your ring?' Said the Piggy, 'I will.'
So they took it away, and were married next day
By the Turkey who lives on the hill.
They dined on mince, and slices of quince,
Which they ate with a runcible spoon;
And hand in hand, on the edge of the sand,
They danced by the light of the moon,
The moon,
They danced by the light of the moon.

#### The Fox's Foray

A fox jumped out one winter's night And begged the moon to give him light. For he'd many miles to trot that night Before he reached his den O! Den O! Den O!

For he'd many miles to trot that night before he reached his den O!

The first place he came to was a farmer's yard,

Where the ducks and the geese declared it hard

That their nerves should be shaken and their rest so marred

By a visit from Mr. Fox O!

Fox O! Fox O!

That their nerves should be shaken and their rest so marred
By a visit from Mr. Fox O!
He took the grey goose by the neck,
And swung him right across his back;
The grey goose cried out, Quack, quack, quack,
With his legs hanging dangling down O!

Down O! Down O!

The grey goose cried out, Quack, quack, quack, With his legs hanging dangling down O!

Old Mother Slipper Slopper jumped out of bed,

And out of the window she popped her head: Oh, John, John, the grey goose is gone,

And the fox is off to his den O!

Den O! Den O!

Oh, John, John, the grey goose is gone,
And the fox is off to his den O!
John ran up to the top of the hill.
And blew his whistle loud and shrill;
Said the fox, That is very pretty music still –
I'd rather be in my den O!

Den O! Den O!

Said the fox, That is very pretty music still – I'd rather be in my den O!

The fox went back to his hungry den,
And his dear little foxes, eight, nine, ten;
Quoth they, Good daddy, you must go there again,
If you bring such god cheer from the farm O!
Farm O! Farm O!

Quoth they, Good daddy, you must go there again, If you bring such god cheer from the farm O!

The fox and his wife, without any strife,
Said they never ate a better goose in all their life:

They did very well without fork or knife,
And the little ones chewed on the bones O!

Bones O! Bones O!

They did very well without fork or knife, And the little ones chewed on the bones O!

# The Pasture by Robert Frost

I'm going out to clean the pasture spring; I'll only stop to rake the leaves away (And wait to watch the water clear, I may): I sha'n't be gone long.—You come too.

I'm going out to fetch the little calf
That's standing by the mother. It's so young,
It totters when she licks it with her tongue.
I sha'n't be gone long.—You come too.

## The Purple Cow by Gelett Burgess

I never saw a purple cow, I never hope to see one; But I can tell you, anyhow, I'd rather see than be one!

## By Myself by Eloise Greenfield

When I'm by myself
And I close my eyes
I'm a twin
I'm a dimple in a chin
I'm a room full of toys
I'm a squeaky noise
I'm a gospel song
I'm a gong
I'm a leaf turning red
I'm a loaf of brown bread
I'm a whatever I want to be
An anything I care to be
And when I open my eyes
What I care to be
Is me.

## I'm Making a List by Shel Silverstein

"I'm making a list
I'm making a list of things I must say
For politeness,
And goodness and kindness and gentleness
Sweetness and rightness:

Hello
Pardon me
How are you?
Excuse me
Bless you
May I?
Thank you

Goodbye

If you know some that I've forgot,
Please stick them in your eye!"

## MY MOTHER SAYS I'M SICKENING by Jack Prelutsky

My mother says I'm sickening, my mother says I'm crude, she says this when she sees me, playing Ping-Pong with my food, she doesn't seem to like it when I slurp my bowl of stew, and now she's got a list of things she says I mustn't do-

DO NOT CATAPULT THE CARROTS! DO NOT JUGGLE GOBS OF FAT! DO NOT DROP THE MASHED POTATOES ON THE GERBIL OR THE CAT! **NEVER PUNCH THE PUMPKIN PUDDING! NEVER TUNNEL THROUGH THE BREAD!** PUT NO PEAS INTO YOUR POCKET! PLACE NO NOODLES ON YOUR HEAD! DO NOT SQUEEZE THE STEAMED ZUCCHINI! DO NOT MAKE THE MELON OOZE! **NEVER STUFF VANILLA YOGURT** IN YOUR LITTLE SISTER'S SHOES! DRAW NO FACES IN THE KETCHUP! MAKE NO LITTLE GRAVY POOLS! I wish my mother wouldn't make so many useless rules.

## Ridiculous Rose by Shel Silverstein

Her mama said, "Don't eat with your fingers."

"OK," said Ridiculous Rose,
So she ate with her toes!

#### Covers by Nikki Giovanni

Glass covers windows to keep the cold away

Clouds cover the sky to make a rainy day

Nighttime covers all the things that creep

Blankets cover me when I'm asleep

# The Drinking Fountain by Marchette G. Chute

When I climb up
To get a drink
It doesn't work
The way you'd think

I turn it up.
The water goes
And hits me right
Upon the nose.

I turn it down
To make it small
And don't get any
Drink at all.

# It Fell in the City by Eve Merriam

It fell in the City
It fell through the night,
And the black rooftops
All turned white.

5 Red fire hydrants All turned white. Blue police cars All turned white

10 Green garbage cans All turned white. Gray sidewalks All turned white.

Yellow NO PARKING signs 15 All turned white When it fell in the city All through the night.

## The Wind by Robert Louis Stevenson

I saw you toss the kites on high
And blow the birds about the sky;
And all around I heard you pass,
Like ladies' skirts across the grass-O wind, a-blowing all day long,
O wind, that sings so loud a song!

I saw the different things you did,
But always you yourself you hid.
I felt you push, I heard you call,
I could not see yourself at all-O wind, a-blowing all day long,
O wind, that sings so loud a song!

O you that are so strong and cold,
O blower, are you young or old?
Are you a beast of field and tree,
Or just a stronger child than me?
O wind, a-blowing all day long,
O wind, that sings so loud a song!

### Who Has Seen the Wind? by Christina Rossetti

Who has seen the wind?
Neither I nor you:
But when the leaves hang trembling,
The wind is passing through.

Who has seen the wind?

Neither you nor I:
But when the trees bow down their heads,
The wind is passing by.

## Windy Nights by Robert Louis Stevenson

Whenever the moon and stars are set,
Whenever the wind is high,
All night long in the dark and wet,
A man goes riding by.
Late in the night when the fires are out,
Why does he gallop and gallop about?

Whenever the trees are crying aloud,
And ships are tossed at sea,
By, on the highway, low and loud,
By at the gallop goes he.
By at the gallop he goes, and then
By he comes back at the gallop again.

### Hope by Langston Hughes

He rose up on his dying bed and asked for fish. His wife looked it up in her dream book and played it.

## Washington by Nancy Byrd Turner

He played by the river when he was young,
He raced with rabbits along the hills,
He fished for minnows, and climbed and swung,
And hooted back at the whippoorwills.
Strong and slender and tall he grew —
And then, one morning, the bugles blew.

Over the hills the summons came,
Over the river's shining rim.
He said that the bugles called his name,
He knew that his country needed him,
And he answered, "Coming!" and marched away
For many a night and many a day.

Perhaps when the marches were hot and long
He'd think of the river flowing by
Or, camping under the winter sky,
Would hear the whippoorwill's far-off song.
Boy or soldier, in peace or strife,
He loved America all his life!

#### You're A Grand Old Flag by George M. Cohan

You're a grand old flag,
You're a high flying flag
And forever in peace may you wave.
You're the emblem of
The land I love.
The home of the free and the brave.
Ev'ry heart beats true
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I'm a Yankee Doodle Dandy
I'm glad I am
(So's Uncle Sam)
I'm a real live Yankee Doodle
Made my name and fame and boodle
Just like Mister Doodle did, by riding on a pony
I love to listen to the Dixey [Dixie] strain
"I long to see the girl I left behind me"
And that ain't a josh
She's a Yankee, by gosh
(Oh, say can you see
Anything about a Yankee that's a phoney?)

I'm a Yankee Doodle Dandy
A Yankee Doodle, do or die
A real live nephew of my Uncle Sam
Born on the Fourth of July
I've got a Yankee Doodle sweetheart
She's my Yankee Doodle joy
Yankee Doodle came to London
Just to ride the ponies
I am the Yankee Doodle Boy

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Mother's name was Ann Maria
Yanks through and through
(Red, white and blue)
Father was so Yankee hearted
When the Spanish War was started
He slipped upon his uniform and hopped up on a pony
My mother's mother was a Yankee true
My father's father was a Yankee too
And that's going some
For the Yankees, by gum
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Star Light, Star Bright
Star Light Star bright,
The first star I see tonight,
I wish I may, I wish I might,
Have the wish I wish tonight.

### First Grade ELA Pacing Guide Aligned With The Common Core

Six Week Units	Common Core Standards	Houghton Mifflin Phonics	Houghton Mifflin Spelling/High Frequency Words	Houghton Mifflin Grammar	Writing
First 6 Weeks	RF.1.1 RF.1.2(b-d) RF.1.3(b, g) W.1.3 W.1.5 W.1.8 SL.1.1(a-c)	Theme: Back to School Wk 1, 2 & 3 – rhyming words, review beginning sounds /a/ - /z/	Theme: Back to School Wk 1, 2, & 3 – review all letters of the alphabet	Theme: Back to School Wk 1 – review concepts of print Wk 2 – review concepts of print	Shared/Interactive Writing: answering questions with complete sentences; write classroom alphabet/pattern books
	SL.1.1(a-c) SL.1.6 L.1.1(a) L.1.2(a, b, d, e)	Theme 1: All Together Now Wk 1 – blending phonemes; consonants m, s, c, t; short a; blending short a words (VC, CVC) Wk 2 – blending phonemes; consonants n, f, p; short a, blending short a words (CV, CVC) Wk 3 – blending phonemes; consonants b, r, h, g; short i; blending short i words (CV, VCV); review blending short a words	Theme 1: All Together Now Wk 1 – Dolch words (down, we, to, the, see, play, said); short vowel a Wk 2 – Dolch words (I, my, me, it, is, in); short vowel a Wk 3 - Dolch words (down, we, to, the, see, play, said); short vowel i	Theme 1: All Together Now Wk 1 – capital and lowercase letters Wk 2 – beginning sentences with capital letters; capital letters in sentences Wk 3 - punctuation	Personal Narrative Writing

Second 6 Weeks	RF.1.1(a) RF.1.2(a-d) RF.1.3(b, f) W.1.2 W.1.7 SL.1.1(a-c) SL.1.3 SL.1.4 SL.1.5 SL.1.6 L.1.1(a-c) L.1.2(a, b, d, e) L.1.4(c)	Theme 2: Surprise!  Wk 1 – blending phonemes; consonants d, w, I, x; short o, blending short o words (CV, CVC)  Wk 2 – blending phonemes; consonants y, k, v; short e, blending short e words (CVC); review words with short o  Wk 3 – blending phonemes; consonants q, j, z; short u; blending short u words (CVC); review words with short e	Theme 2: Surprise! Wk 1 – Dolch words (away, you, run, not, red, big, jump); short vowel o Wk 2 – Dolch words (three, where, funny, blue, two, up, yellow); short vowel e Wk 3 – Dolch words (look, come, make, little, help, one, find); short vowel u	Theme 2: Surprise! Wk 1 – capitalizing names; review word order in sentences Wk 2 – naming words Wk 3 – action words	Narratives: writing complete sentences (capitals & punctuation)  Revising writing  Informational Writing: "How to" writing; writing complete sentences (capitals & punctuation)
		Theme 3: Let's Look Around!  Wk 1 – blending and segmenting phonemes; double final consonants; final consonants; short a; plurals with –s; review short u  Wk 2 – blending and segmenting phonemes; verb endings –s, -ed, -ing; short i; possessives with 's; review double final consonants; review plurals with s; review final consonants; review short a  Wk 3 - blending phonemes; clusters with r; contractions with 's; review verbs ending with –s, -ing, -ed; short i; possessives with 's	Theme 3: Let's Look Around!  Wk 1 – Dolch words (am, like, are, at, have, he); spelling words (an, at, can, cat, had, man, catch, and, add, a)  Wk 2 – Dolch words (black, with, went, she, on, no); spelling words (is, it, him, big, sit, did, dish, milk, in, his)  Wk 3 – Dolch words (get, but, ran, do, brown, white); spelling words (trip, crab, drip, grin, grab, trap, crack, brown, to, you)	Theme 3: Let's Look Around! Wk 1 – What is a sentence? Wk 2 – naming parts of a sentence Wk 3 – action part of a sentence	

Third 6 Weeks	RL.1.1(a) RL.1.2(a-d) RL.1.3(a-c) W.1.1 W.1.2 W.1.7 SL.1.1(a-c) SL.1.2 SL.1.3 SL.1.5 SL.1.6 L.1.1(a)	Theme 4: Family and Friends Wk 1 – blending and segmenting phonemes; clusters with I; short o; review consonant clusters with r; review contractions with 's Wk 2 – blending and segmenting phonemes; triple clusters; short u sound; review clusters with s Wk 3 - blending and segmenting phonemes; triple clusters; short u sound; review clusters with s; review clusters with s; review short e	Theme 4: Family and Friends Wk 1 – Dolch words (who, they, that, this, ride, what, how); spelling words (on, not, got, box, hot, top, pond, doll, was, that) Wk 2 – Dolch words (did, want, win, out, good, so); spelling words (get, ten, red, pet, men, yes, tent, bell, are, when) Wk 3 – Dolch words (eat, be, our, four, pretty, new, say); spelling words (up, us, but, fun, cut, run, jump, plum, the, of)	Theme 4: Family and Friends Wk 1 – Is it a sentence? Wk 2 – telling sentences Wk 3 – asking sentences	Informational Writing: "How to" writing: directions  Persuasive Writing  Biographies  Revising Writing: complete sentences (capitals & punctuation)
		Theme 5: Home Sweet  Home  Wk 1 – segmenting phonemes; counting sounds in words; digraphs sh, th, wh, ch, tch; review u; review triple clusters Wk 2 – segmenting phonemes; counting sounds in words; long a (CVCe); final nd; ng; nk; review digraphs sh, th, wh, ch, tch Wk 3 – segmenting phonemes; counting sounds in words; long i (CVCe); contractions; review long a; review soft c, g; review final nd, ng, nk	Theme 5: Home Sweet Home Wk 1 – Dolch words (there, please, into, was, soon, well, too); spelling words (she, chin, fish, shell, much, chop, shoe, chair, they, with) Wk 2 – Dolch words (old, him, live, had, let); spelling words (make, came, take, name, gave, game, place, skate, as, this) Wk 3 – Dolch words (stop, give, has, her, were); spelling words (like, five, ride, nine, time, kite, prize, smile, I, from)	Theme 5: Home Sweet Home Wk 1 – exclamations Wk 2 – Which kind of sentence? Wk 3 – using I or me in sentences	

	RF.1.1(a)	Theme 6: Animal	Theme 6: Animal	Theme 6: Animal	Biographies: Famous
	RF.1.2(a-d)	Adventures	Adventures	Adventures	Americans; Black History
Fourth 6	RF.1.3(a-c, g)	Wk 1 – segmenting	Wk 1 – Dolch words (take,	Wk 1 – naming words for	-
Weeks	W.1.2	phonemes; counting	then, as, when, them);	people and animals	Narrative Writing:
	W.1.3	sounds in words; long o	spelling words (go, bone,	Wk 2 – naming words for	Journals (focus on
	W.1.5	(CV, CVCe); long u	so, nose, home, no, also,	things and places	feelings)
	W.1.7	(CVCe); final clusters ft,	woke, have, one)	Wk 3 – naming words for	
	W.1.8	lk, nt; review long i	Wk 2 – Dolch words (by,	one or more	Expository Non-Fiction
	SL.1.1(a-c)	(CVCe); contractions	an, last, going, his);		Writing: Chick reports
	SL.1.2	Wk 2 – segmenting	spelling words (me, see,		
	SL.1.3	phonemes; counting	mean, feet, eat, he,		Revising Writing: writing
	SL.1.4	sounds in words; long e	maybe, sheep, we, be)		using temporal words;
	SL.1.5	(CV, CVCe); vowel pairs	Wk 3 – Dolch words		using feeling words;
	SL.1.6	ee, ea; review long o (CV,	(know, open, after, thank,		adding detail
	L.1.1(a, b)	CVCe) and long u	once); spelling words		_
	L.1.2(a-e)	(CVCe); final clusters ft,	(say, day, play, may, stay,		Language Skill: using
	L.1.6	lk, nt	way, away, holiday, what,		commas to separate
		Wk 3 – segmenting	all)		words in a series
		phonemes; counting			
		sounds in words; vowel			
		pairs ai, ay; review long e	Theme 7: We Can Work		
		(CV, CVCe); review vowel	It Out		
		pairs ee, ea	Wk 1 – Dolch words (any,		
			of, round, put, some);		
		Theme 7: We Can Work	spelling words (boat,	Theme 7: We Can Work	
		<u>It Out</u>	slow, coat, grow, show,	It Out	
		Wk 1 – substituting	toad, coast, know, were,	Wk 1 – proper names for	
		phonemes; vowel pairs	there)	people and animals	
		oa, ow; review vowel pairs	Wk 2 – Dolch words (fly,	Wk 2 – proper names for	
		ai, ay	could, every, from, walk);	places and things	
		Wk 2 – substituting	spelling words (look,	Wk 3 – pronouns	
		phonemes, the /oo/ sound	book, took, good, foot,		
		for oo (ex. pool);	cook, hoof, crook, would,		
		compound words; review	could)		
		vowel pairs oa, ow	Wk 3 – Dolch words (ask,		
		Wk 3 – substituting	over, again, think, how);		
		phonemes; vowel pairs	spelling words (zoo, food,		
		oo, ew, ue, ou, /oo/ (pool);	too, moon, soon, room,		
		long i (ie, igh); review /oo/	moose, balloon, said, do)		
		sound for oo (pool);			
		review compound words			

	RF.1.1(a)	Theme 8: Our Earth	Theme 8: Our Earth	Theme 8: Our Earth	Persuasive Writing
Fifth 6	RF.1.2(a-d)	Wk 1 – deleting and	Wk 1 – Dolch words	Wk 1 – action words	
Weeks	RF.1.3(a, b, f,	substituting phonemes;	(because, best, cold, first,	Wk 2 – present tense	Expository Writing: Non-
	g)	base words and endings	five); spelling words (cup,	Wk 3 – action words with -	fiction reports: chick
	W.1.1	-s, -ed, -ing; review vowel	cups, tree, trees, frog,	ed	reports; animal reports;
	W.1.2	pairs oo, ew, ue, ou;	frogs, gloves, birds, your,		animal life cycle writing
	W.MA.3.A	review long i (ie, igh)	which)	Theme 9: Special Friends	(using sequence words)
	W.1.5	Wk 2 – deleting and	Wk 2 – Dolch words	Wk 1 – is/are	
	W.1.7	substituting phonemes;	(gave, made, read, or sit);	Wk 2 – using was and	Poetry: using rhyme and
	W.1.8	vowel pairs ou, ow (/ou/);	spelling words (cow, out,	were	repetition
	SL.1.1(a-c)	syllabication; review base	down, now, house, found,	Wk 3 –describing what we	
	SL.1.2	words; endings -s, -ed, -	pouch, crowded, about,	see	
	SL.1.3	ing	how)		
	SL.1.4	Wk 3 - deleting and	Wk 3 – Dolch words		
	SL.1.5	substituting phonemes;	(their, your, would, upon,		
	SL.1.6	base words and endings	very); spelling words		
	L.1.1(a, c, e)	-ed, -ing; review vowel	(telling, landed, checking,		
	L.1.2(a, b, d,	pairs ou, ow (/ou/)	missed, filled, sleeping,		
	e)		bluffing, planted, will,		
		Theme 9: Special Friends	each)		
		Wk 1 – deleting			
		phonemes; sounds for y;	Theme 9: Special Friends		
		review base words and	Wk 1 – Dolch words		
		endings -ed, -ing	(always, around, been,		
		Wk 2 – deleting	before, both); spelling		
		phonemes; base words	words (by, my, fly, try, cry,		
		and endings –es, -ies;	why, pry, multiply, them,		
		prefixes un-, re-	then)		
		Wk 3 – deleting	Wk 2 – Dolch words (buy,		
		phonemes; vowel pairs oi,	call, does, don't, fast);		
		oy, aw, au; suffixes -ful, -	spelling words (dishes,		
		ly, -y; review base words	dresses, boxes, beaches,		
		and endings –es, -ies;	wishes, kisses, brushes,		
		review prefixes un-, re-	classes, many, some)		
			Wk 3 – Dolch words		
			(found, goes, green, its,		
			many); spelling words		
			(coin, soil, boy, oil, toy,		
			point, moist, destroy,		
			other, into		

Sixth 6 Weeks	RF.1.1(a) RF.1.2(a-d) RF.1.3(a, b, c, f, g) W.1.1 W.1.3 W.1.6 SL.1.1(a-c) SL.1.3 SL.1.4 SL.1.5 SL.1.6 L.1.1(a, b, c, e, f, g)	Theme 10: We Can Do It! Wk 1 – substituting phonemes; r-controlled vowels or, ore, er, ir, ur; review vowel pairs oi, oy, aw, au; review suffixes -ful, -ly, -y Wk 2 – substituting phonemes; r-controlled vowels ar; review r- controlled vowels or, ore, ar, er, ir, ur Wk 3 - substituting phonemes; base words and endings –er, -est; review base words and endings –er, -est	Theme 10: We Can Do It! Wk 1 – Dolch words (off, pull, sing, sleep, tell); spelling words (corn, store, for, or, more, before, morning, afford, has, her) Wk 2 – Dolch words (these, those, us, use, wash); spelling words (car, start, arm, far, yard, dark, large, jar, two, first) Wk 3 – Dolch words (which, why, wish, work, write); spelling words (newer, warmest, highest, faster, deepest, richer, smaller, kindest, been, who)	Theme 10: We Can Do It! Wk 1 – describing what we hear Wk 2 – describing words: taste, smell, feel Wk 3 – comparing (-er, - est)	Letter Writing: Teacher Appreciation Week; letter to future first grader; Mother's Day; Father's Day  Narrative Stories: Author's Tea  Persuasive – Opinion Writing  End of the Year Writing Prompt  Narrative Writing: fiction stories
		Review: Fairy tales; digraphs; endings (-ed, -ing, -es, - s); word patterns; contractions	Review: Dolch words and spelling words	Review: Writing conventions; punctuation; quotation marks; naming words; action words; describing words	

### Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 2

### **A Season for Chapters**

Unit 1 - No. of Weeks: 6

Essential Question: When is language beautiful?

**Terminology:** alliteration, author, beginning, chapter, conclusion, digital graphic organizer, digital sources, ending, illustrator, introduction, main idea, paragraph, poet, poetry, repetition, research, rhyme, rhythm, shared writing, spelling patter

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading http://lexile.com/fab/	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar	(IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming
RI.2.2: Identify the main focus of a multi-paragraph text as well as the focus of specific	ANCHOR TEXTS:     Poppleton in Winter (Cynthia Rylant and Mark Teague) (E) (430L)	DRA     DIBELS     GRADE
paragraphs within the text.	"Autumn" (Dickinson) (E)	ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING  Artists often convey a sense of season in their depictions of flowers or trees. Ask students to study the Tiffany image, van
RL.2.5: Describe the overall structure of a	Poems	Gogh's <i>Mulberry Tree</i> , and the work titled <i>Snow-Laden Branches</i> . Note that these works were created on three
story, including describing how the beginning introduces the story and the ending	<ul> <li>"A Vagabond Song" (Bliss Carman) in <i>The Seasons</i> (ed. John N. Serio) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>"Bed in Summer" (Robert</li> </ul>	different continents at around the same time period. Ask students to discuss similarities and differences in these artists' techniques for depicting the seasons. (SL.2.2)
concludes the action.	Louis Stevenson) (Read Aloud)	ART, INFORMATIVE WRITING Select a work to study—for instance, you might choose the
SL.2.1: Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about	<ul> <li>"Knoxville, Tennessee" (Nikki Giovanni) (E)</li> <li>"Something Told the Wild Geese" (Rachel Field) (E)</li> </ul>	Seurat for a clear depiction of a season. Ask the students to name the season that the artist has painted. Then have students write a two-or-three-sentence explanation identifying elements in the work that led them to their observation. (W.2.2)

### **Focus Standards**

### Suggested Works/Resources

### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

Grade Two topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.

RL.2.4: Describe how words and phrases (e.g., regular beats, alliteration, rhymes, [and] repeated lines) supply rhythm and meaning in a story, poem, or song.

W.2.7: Participate in shared research and writing projects.

SL.2.2: Recount or describe key ideas or details from a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.

- "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" (Robert Frost) (E)
- "Summer Song" (John Ciardi) in The Seasons (ed. John N. Serio)
- "The Locust Tree in Flower" (William Carlos Williams) in The Seasons (ed. John N. Serio) (Read Aloud)
- "The Snowflake" (Walter de la Mare) in The Seasons (ed. John N. Serio) (Read Aloud)
- "Weather" (Eve Merriam) (E)
- "Who Has Seen the Wind?" (Christina Rossetti) (E)

#### Stories

- Every Autumn Comes the Bear (Jim Arnosky) (AD410L)
- Henry and Mudge and the Snowman Plan (Cvnthia Rylant and Sucie Stevenson) (EA) (350L)
- Leaf Man (Lois Ehlert) (310L)
- Peepers (Eve Bunting and James Ransome) (310L)
- Poppleton in Fall (Cynthia Rylant and Mark Teague) (EA) (280L)
- Poppleton in Spring (Cynthia Rylant and Mark Teague) (EA)(330L)

#### READING LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Introduce and read the first chapter of *Poppleton in Winter* by Cynthia Rylant. The following day, look at the chapter again. Explain to the class that Cynthia Rylant is an author who knows exactly how to write the beginning of a story and how to wrap it up with a strong ending. Direct the students to look closely at how the story begins. Reread the section where the story is set up. Students will see the setting, characters, and situation/problem in the first two sentences of the story: "Poppleton's house grew very long icicles in winter. Poppleton was proud of them." Create a bulleted list as the students discuss what they see, finishing the sentence "A strong beginning has . . ." Then turn to the end of the story and discuss the attributes of a strong ending. Read Rylant's final sentences: "Poppleton was glad his icicles were knocked down. Icicles always melted. But a new friend would stay." Continue the bulleted list, having students finish the sentence "A strong ending has . . ." As the students read each successive chapter independently, with a partner, or with the teacher, make these charts a focus of discussion. Eventually add a chart for the action in the middle of the story. (RL.2.5, RF.2.4)

#### RESEARCH, INFORMATIVE WRITING

Follow the local community research with a new research challenge. This time, organize small groups to research and to write about a community in a contrasting climate and geographical location. Focus on the seasons there, a sport (or activity) that is important, and the way they affect their community. Help students generate the research questions that will guide their work. Ask them to gather information from a variety of online sources and possibly hold a conversation via the Internet with the Chamber of Commerce from the community. Introduce a digital tool for organizing information.

#### **Focus Standards** Suggested **Sample Activities and Assessment** Works/Resources Red Leaf. Yellow Leaf (Lois Model the organization of gathered information into broad topics through webbing. Use one part of the graphic organizer Ehlert) (AD680L) (web) to demonstrate to the class how to write one well-Snow (Uri Shulevitz) (220L) developed paragraph. Working in small groups, students Snowballs (Lois Ehlert) (300L) should use the webbed information to write the remaining The Days of Summer (Eve paragraphs. When the paragraphs are completed, combine Bunting and William Low) them into books. Students can add illustrations by drawing or (AD360L) by collecting photographs from online sources. (RI.2.2, W.2.2, The Little Yellow Leaf (Carin W.2.6, W.2.7, L.2.2) Berger) The Mitten (Jan Brett) (Read ART, LANGUAGE USAGE Aloud) (800L) View the Bruegel, Caillebotte, and Seurat images. As the class studies each piece, ask the students how the artist creates a **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS** sense of warmth or cold, dryness or wetness in the painting. As **Nonfiction Books** the students use adjectives and adverbs in the conversation, A River of Words: The Story of write them down under the appropriate category on a William Carlos Williams whiteboard or chart paper. Use these words to create and (Jennifer Bryant and Melissa expand sentences (e.g., "The artist painted snow. The talented Sweet) (Read Aloud) artist painted snow with cool colors. Using an icy blue color, the (AD820L) artist painted a snowy scene."). Extend the activity by using the • Cynthia Rylant: A Writer's word bank to create free-form poems to go with each painting. Story (Alice Cary and Susan (L.2.1e, L.2.1f) Spellman) • Energy from the Sun (Rookie RESEARCH, INFORMATIVE WRITING Read-About Science) (Allan Focus a discussion on the characteristics of seasons in your Fowler) (AD600L) local climate. Discuss activities that your students might • How Do You Know It's Fall? associate with each season. Talk about how one of the (Rookie Read-About Science) season's activities might help the local economy more than (Allan Fowler) (NC650L) others by generating research questions such as, "Which How Do You Know It's Spring? season is most important to our community?" Use digital (Rookie Read-About Science) resources and speakers who have visited to gather (Allan Fowler) (NC620L) information. Conclude the research and communicate findings How Do You Know It's with a class write such as: "Research a sport or activity in your Summer? (Rookie Read-About

community that relates to a specific season. Create a

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Science) (Allan Fowler) (520L)  • How Do You Know It's Winter? (Rookie Read-About Science) (Allan Fowler) (570L)  • Look How It Changes! (Rookie Read-About Science) (June Young) (10L)  • Snowflake Bentley (Jacqueline Briggs Martin and Mary Azarian) (Read Aloud) (AD830L)  • Snowflakes in Photographs (W.A. Bentley) (Read Aloud)  • Sunshine Makes the Seasons	nonfiction text about the season, the sport, and the way it affects your community." (RI.2.5, SL.2.1, SL.2.2, W.2.2, W.2.8, L.2.3)  READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, LANGUAGE  MECHANICS  Use the informational book How Do You Know It's Fall? to introduce apostrophes. Discuss the concept of contractions by creating sentences starting with "It is" and then contracting the words to "It's." Continue generating lists of contractions for "he is," "she is," "they are," "we are," and so on. Ask the students to create detailed sentences related to the season of fall using a variety of contractions. Extend the lesson by discussing apostrophes used to show possession. Staying with
	<ul> <li>(Franklyn M. Branley and Michael Rex) (AD510L)</li> <li>What Do Authors Do? (Eileen Christelow)</li> <li>What Do Illustrators Do? (Eileen Christelow) (340L)</li> <li>Why Do Leaves Change Color? (Betsy Maestro and Loretta Krupinski) (580L)</li> <li>Art</li> <li>Artist unknown, Snow-Laden Plum Branches (1098-1169)</li> <li>Georges Seurat, Une Baignade, Asnieres(1883-1884)</li> <li>Gustave Caillebotte, Paris Street, Rainy Day (1877)</li> <li>Louis Comfort Tiffany, Dogwood (1900-1915)</li> </ul>	the fall theme, generate a list of possessives focusing on nature's preparation for winter (e.g., a bear's thick coat, a squirrel's collection of acorns, a tree's slow growth.) (L.2.2c)  READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, INFORMATIVE WRITING  This unit contains a wide variety of informational texts. To introduce the work of organizing informational text, choose a book with a variety of text features and strong paragraphs. Explain to the children that as you read for information, you will also be looking at the author's craft. Guide students to look closely at the way each informational book on the four seasons is arranged (e.g., through the use of headings, subheadings, and paragraphs). Choose one page to look for the purpose of paragraphs in organizing the information in the text. You might want to make a copy of the page for the students to examine as you demonstrate the topical chunks of information in paragraphs. Extend this lesson by listing text features in multiple books on seasons and related topics. Focus on the purposes of the text features in the books. Follow this reading

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	Maurice de Vlaminck, Autumn Landscape (1905)     Pieter Bruegel, Hunters in the Snow (1565)     Vincent van Gogh, Mulberry Tree (1889)     Vincent van Gogh, Sunflowers (1889)  Music     Antonio Vivaldi, "The Four Seasons" (1723)	lesson with having students write a paragraph as a shared write. Choose one topic related to the book read, and write a paragraph with a strong topic sentence, detailed information, and a satisfying conclusion. (RI.2.2, RF.2.4)  MUSIC, LANGUAGE USAGE, WRITING POETRY Listen to one of the four concertos in Vivaldi's The Four Seasons. Instruct the students to write down words or phrases that come to them as they are listening. After they are finished, tell them to work together as a class to compile a list of words and phrases they thought of while listening. Choose a descriptive word or phrase and then challenge them to think in simile or metaphor (e.g., falling leaves—like what? Like jewels falling from the sky). Use the collection of words and phrases to write a class poem titled "Spring," "Summer," "Autumn," or "Winter." Be sure to use rhythm, rhyme, alliteration, and/or repetition in your class poem. (RL2.4, L.2.5b)  READING LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING Ask students to pick a favorite book from the easy section of the library. To introduce the characteristics of a good solid beginning and ending of a story, ask the students to read aloud to a partner just the first paragraph or two and then the last paragraph. Later, allow students to share the books in small groups to see what each child notices about these solid beginnings and solid endings. For example, they may notice things such as a clearly described setting with vivid words at the beginning, the book coming full circle, and the ending providing a sense of satisfaction. (RL2.5)  READING LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING After reading the fictional read-aloud picture books for each of the seasons, have students ask and answer questions using who, what, where, when, why, and how. Challenge students to

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
		create questions from these stems that apply directly to the books you are reading. Encourage students to answer the questions on sticky notes under each question on the following chart. (RL.2.1)
		<ul><li>Who?</li><li>What?</li><li>Where?</li><li>When?</li><li>Why?</li><li>How?</li></ul>
		READING POETRY, PERFORMANCE  The Seasons (ed. John N. Serio) is a book of collected poems by different poets. Introduce the poem "Summer Song." Ask the students, "What did you notice about the first four lines of the poem?" (Possible answer: Repetition of "By the") Note the pattern of rhyme in the first four lines (i.e., ABAB) and how it changes as it progresses through the poem (i.e., AABB). Continue to look at the features of poetry as you read other seasonal poems in this unit. Each of the poems from The Seasons exemplifies at least one of the characteristics of the Grade Two standards: rhyme, rhythm, alliteration, and repetition. Encourage students to choose a poem to perform (recite) for the class. (RL.2.4)

### Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 2

### **The Wild West**

Unit 2 - No. of Weeks: 6

**Essential Question:** How does setting affect a story?

Terminology: biography, characters, collective nouns, compare, contrast, expression, fantasy, fluency, point of view, real, tall tale,

Venn diagram

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Works/Resources	
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	other works identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.2.9: Compare and	ANCHOR TEXTS:	• DRA
contrast two or more	<ul> <li>Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa:</li> </ul>	DIBELS
versions of the same	Partners (Erica Silverman and	GRADE
story by different authors	Betsy Lewin) (EA) (400L)	
or from different cultures.		ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING
	<ul> <li>Wild Tracks! A Guide to</li> </ul>	Explain to the students that George Catlin was a famous artist
RL.2.2: Recount stories,	Nature's Footprints (Jim	who traveled west on horseback during the 1800s to paint
including fables and	Arnosky) (E) (Read Aloud)	pictures of Native Americans. Display his works. Ask students
folktales from diverse		what they notice first in these paintings. What do they have in
cultures, and determine	<ul> <li>"Home on the Range" (Higley)</li> </ul>	common with other portraits they have seen? (For example,
their central message,		Washington, Reveresee Unit Five in the section on first
lesson, or moral.	Poems	grade.) Note the titles of the works. Explain that Catlin was
	<ul> <li>"Buffalo Dusk" (Carl Sandburg)</li> </ul>	unique in his time because he painted Native Americans
RI.2.6: Identify the main	(Read Aloud)	individualistically. (SL.2.2)
purpose of a text,	<ul> <li>"Home on the Range"</li> </ul>	
including what the author	(Brewster Higley) (Read	READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, SPEAKING AND
wants to answer, explain,	Aloud)	LISTENING
or describe.	How I Spent My Summer	Bill Pickett: Rodeo-Ridin' Cowboy (Andrea Davis Pinkney) is a
	Vacation (Mark Teague)	true story of an African American cowboy. After you have read

### **Focus Standards**

### Suggested Works/Resources

### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

W.2.2: Write informative/explanatory texts in which they introduce a topic, use facts and definitions to develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.

#### **Stories**

- "The Princess and the Pea" in Fairy Tales from Hans Christian Anderson (Hans Christian Anderson) (Read Aloud) (410L)
- A Boy Called Slow (Joseph Bruchac) (AD690L)
- Buffalo Before Breakfast (Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca) (EA) (380L)
- Crazy Horse's Vision (Joseph Bruchac, S.D. Nelson, Curtis Zunigha, and Robert Tree Cody) (420L)
- Dancing with the Indians (Angela Shelf Medearis) (AD600L)
- Ghost Town at Sundown (Mary Pope Osborne) (EA) (350L)
- Gift Horse: A Lakota Story (S.D. Nelson) (AD610L)
- John Henry (Julius Lester and Jerry Pinkney) (AD720L)
- Johnny Appleseed (Steven Kellogg) (920L)
- Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World (Mildred Pitts Walter and Catherine Stock) (620L)
- Little Red Cowboy Hat (Susan Lowell and Randy Cecil)(AD310L)

the story, display the same kind of chart from the Unit One segment on fiction (see the following sample). Again, remind the students that these are only question stems and must be amplified to focus on the story. Ask students to choose two questions to answer and write on their whiteboards. Share the responses from the students and add to the class chart. (RI.2.1, SL.2.2)

- Who?
- What?
- Where?
- When?
- Whv?
- How?

#### ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING

View the two Remington paintings of cowboys. Ask students to look at the individual cowboys and see if they can find many differences in their appearances. Was Remington depicting cowboys individually (like Catlin) or more like types (like Custis)? What can we learn about cowboy life by looking at these works? (SL.2.3, SL.2.4, SL.2.5)

#### ART, SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Have students close their eyes and "turn on" their imaginations. Tell them to imagine traveling back to the nineteenth century as if they were artists studying the Native Americans. Ask questions like: What do you see? What types of people are there; plants, animals, landscapes? Have students write a few sentences about their imagined picture, as well as sketch a picture. If time permits, turn the sketched image into a landscape image: add significant aspects, like characters, a setting, and any meaningful details. Use listed artworks as

Focus Standards	Suggested	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>Little Red Riding Hood (Trina Schart Hyman) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>Little Red Riding Hood: A Newfangled Prairie Tale (Lisa Campbell Ernst)</li> <li>Paul Bunyan (Steven Kellogg) (1030L)</li> <li>Pecos Bill (Steven Kellogg and Laura Robb) (AD1040L)</li> <li>The Cowboy and the Black-Eyed Pea (Tony Johnston) (AD510L)</li> <li>The Gingerbread Cowboy (Janet Squires and Holly Berry) (AD800L)</li> <li>The Gingerbread Man (Karen Lee Schmidt) (360L)</li> <li>The Tortoise and the Jackrabbit (Susan Lowell) (AD560L)</li> <li>The Toughest Cowboy: or How the Wild West Was Tamed (John Frank and Zachary Pullen) (Read Aloud)(AD900L)</li> <li>INFORMATIONAL TEXTS</li> </ul>	inspiration for students. (SL.2.3, SL.2.4, SL.2.5)  ART, OPINION WRITING  Select one Curtis and one Catlin artwork to study. Have the students compare Curtis's and Catlin's approaches to depicting Native Americans. Does Curtis's use of the environment expand our understanding of the Native Americans in his photographs? If so, how? (W.2.1, W.2.3)  READING POETRY, LANGUAGE USAGE, VOCABULARY Create a running list of collective nouns in this unit (e.g., a herd or drove of cows; a herd or band of horses; a flock of sheep; and a band, tribe, or nation of Native Americans). Keep a growing word bank of people, vocabulary, and phrases that appear in this unit. Reading (reciting) poetry such as "Buffalo Dusk" and "Home on the Range" will give the students rich opportunities to collect vocabulary and to learn the words in context. These words can be used in later student writing. (L.2.1b, Rl.2.4, L.2.4, L.2.4e, RL.2.4, RL.2.10)  INFORMATIVE WRITING, RESEARCH, SPEAKING AND LISTENING By reading the informational books in this unit, students learn about Native Americans, African Americans, and Caucasians during the 1800s in the American Wild West. Give the students this prompt: "Write about the person most interesting to you from the Wild West days. Be sure to answer the questions who, what, where, when, why, and how as you write about the
	Nonfiction Books  • B is for Buckaroo: A Cowboy Alphabet (Louise Doak Whitney and Sue Guy) (Read Aloud)	person you chose." Using the question stems, students will generate their own research questions. Encourage the use of a variety of sources as they gather additional information using online sources and books. When students are finished with their research, pair them according to related choices to allow sharing of organized gathered information. Have them practice

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	<ul> <li>Bill Pickett: Rodeo-Ridin' Cowboy (Andrea D. and Brian Pinkney) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>Black Cowboy, Wild Horses: A True Story (Julius Lester and Jerry Pinkney) (Read Aloud) (710L)</li> <li>Cactus Hotel (Brenda Z. Guiberson) (Read Aloud) (700L)</li> <li>Cowboys (Lucille Recht Penner) (550L)</li> <li>Cowboys and Cowgirls: Yippee-Yay! (Gail Gibbons) (EA) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>I Want to Be a Cowboy (Dan Liebman) (590L)</li> <li>The Very First Americans (Cara Ashrose) (AD670L)</li> <li>Wild West (DK Eyewitness Books) (Stuart Murray) (Read Aloud)</li> <li>You Wouldn't Want to Live in a Wild West Town! (Peter Hicks, David Salariya, and David Antram) (Read Aloud) (IG790L)</li> </ul>	talking through the information to lay the groundwork for writing focused paragraphs. Students write drafts. After the first draft is written, have them spend time revising the work with peers or the teacher. (RI.2.1, RI.2.5, RI.2.10, W.2.7, W.2.8, W.2.2, W.2.5, SL.2.1, SL.2.2, SL.2.6, L.2.1, I.2.2, L.2.3)  READING LITERATURE, INFORMATIVE WRITING After reading the fairy tale The Princess and the Pea, introduce another version of the story, The Cowboy and the Black-Eyed Pea. Before reading the book, challenge the students to think about how the two stories are the same and how they are different. Create a Venn diagram or other graphic organizer to compare and contrast the two stories. Have the students use sticky notes to add their ideas to the Venn diagram. When they are finished, ask them to use the graphic organizer to construct sentences that describe two ways in which the stories are the same and two ways in which they are different. Continue this activity with other traditional stories and their alternative versions. (RL.2.9, SL.2.2)  READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, READING FLUENCY, PERFORMANCE Introduce the story about a modern-day cowgirl, Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa (Erica Silverman). As they read the first chapter, ask students to think about whether this story could really happen or if it is a fantasy. Ask students to find evidence in the text to support their choices. Use a whiteboard or sticky notes to record their thinking. As they finish reading and writing, pair students to discuss their ideas. After they are finished discussing, ask them to remain partners and to experiment with reading using different voices for different characters in the book. Monitor the reading by listening for reading with expression and character voices. (RL.2.6, RF.2.4)

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	ART, MUSIC AND MEDIA Art  • Edward S. Curtis, A Smoky Day at the Sugar Bowl-Hupa (1923) • Edward S. Curtis, Cheyenne Maiden (1930) • Frederic Remington, A Dash for the Timber (1899) • Frederic Remington, Fight For The Water Hole (1903) • George Catlin, The White Cloud, Head Chief of the lowas (1830-1870)  Music • Traditional, "Git Along, Little Dogies"	Reading Literature, Reading Comprehension, Speaking and Listening Introduce the genre of tall tales by explaining that they are stories about a special kind of hero who is bigger than life. Even though the story is based on a real person, the person is exaggerated to be stronger or bigger than any real hero can ever be. Read about a hero from the 1800s named John Henry. As you read the story, challenge the students to think about the part of the story that is so amazing we know it is not really true. After the students have read the story, go back through the story and have the students write down one thing that might be real and one thing they think is fantasy. Ask questions such as, "Why do you think we have this tall tale? Why do you think the story has a race between a machine and a human? Why do you think the man beats the machine?" (RL.2.2, SL.2.2)  READING INFORMATIONAL TEXT, RESEARCH, SPEAKING AND LISTENING Remind students that when they are doing research in the classroom, they start with a question. Similarly, authors of informational books also begin their work with a question or the desire to explain something. Have the students read an informational book such as Cowboys and Cowgirls: Yippee-Yay! (Gail Gibbons). After they finish the book, ask students to think about what question the author wanted to answer or what she wanted to explain in this book. When they are finished reading and writing down their questions, begin a discussion on how authors base research in asking and answering questions. (Rl.2.6)

# Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 2 **Stories Matter: Understanding and Retelling Realistic Fiction**

Unit 3 - No. of Weeks: 6 - State Model Unit

Essential Questions: Q1. Why do we read stories? Q2. How do story elements connect and help us to remember and retell stories? Q3. What do we learn by sharing what we've read through retellings and writing summaries?

**Terminology:** story elements: setting, characters, problem/goal, plot, events, resolution; realistic fiction; summary; Parts of a letter: greeting, body, closing, signature

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Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/ RL.2.7: Use information	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar ANCHOR TEXT:	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming  • DIBELS
gained from the illustrations and words in a print or digital text to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, or	Henry and Mudge: The First Book (Cynthia Rylant and Sucie Stevenson) (E) (460L)	GRADE     DRA  CURRICULUM EMBEDDED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT (CEPA)
plot.	Stories	
RL.2.4: Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension: a. Read grade-level text with	<ul> <li>Ira Sleeps Over (Bernard Waber) (310L)</li> <li>Ronald Morgan Goes to Bat (Patricia Reilly Giff) (200L)</li> </ul>	PT (Performance Task) 1: To tell a friend about a realistic fiction book you have just read. (See Story Retelling Analysis Form in unit)  PT2: To write a letter to your pen pal to share a summary of a
purpose and understanding; b. Read grade-level text orally	<ul> <li>Dahlia (Barbara McClintock)</li> <li>One Dark Night (Hazel Hutchins) (370L)</li> <li>The Three Billy Goats Gruff</li> </ul>	realistic fiction book you read.  LEARNING EVENTS

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.  RI.2.5Describe the overall structure of a story, including describing how the beginning introduces the story and the ending concludes the action.  RL2.10 By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature,	<ul> <li>Junie B. Jones books (330-410L)</li> <li>Iris and Walter books (270-470L)</li> <li>Henry and Mudge books (320-560L)</li> <li>Biscuit books by Alyssa Satin Capucilli (190-300L)</li> <li>A Chair for My Mother (Vera Williams) (640L)</li> <li>Tara and Tiree, Fearless Friends (Andrew Clements)</li> <li>Fly Away Home (Eve Bunting) (450L)</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Retelling Stories</li> <li>Introduction to realistic fiction: Explain focus of unit – to read realistic fiction using story structure as a guide. Students listen to you read aloud and identify elements of story structure (setting, characters, problem/goal, events, solution) (1 Day)</li> <li>Students use story structure elements as a guide to retell a story in good sequence. Class participates in a class retelling with one student coming to the front of the room and telling the characters, another student telling the setting, another student telling the problem, one student for each event, and one student for the solution. Each student participating in the retelling holds a card with the story structure element on it. (1 Day)</li> </ol>
including stories and poetry, in the grades 2-3 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.  W.2.3: Write narratives in which they recount a well-elaborated event or short sequence of events, include details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings, use temporal words to signal event order, and		<ol> <li>Comprehension Strategies         <ol> <li>Making Predictions. Focus on predictions and how good readers make predictions and then continue to revise those predictions as they read new information in the story. Model making predictions during a read aloud of <i>Dahlia</i> by Barbara McClintock. Then make predictions as they read a realistic fiction story. They base those predictions on the title, illustrations, and what is happening in the story (2 Days)</li> </ol> </li> <li>Summarizing. Discuss how to write a summary including what happened in the beginning, middle and end of the story. Discuss which story structure elements will be included in the beginning, middle and end. Explain that good readers summarize after reading a section or chapter. This helps them know if there is anything that they need to clarify before continuing to read (3 Days)</li> </ol>

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
provide a sense of closure.		Asking Questions. Explain that good readers ask questions as they read. List possible questions that good readers might ask that cause them to think about
<b>W2.5:</b> With guidance and support from adults		the characters and events and help them clarify any information that they are reading. (2 Days)
and peers, focus on a topic and strengthen		What Can We Learn from Stories?
writing as needed by revision and editing.		What can you learn from realistic fiction? Have students reflect on what they can learn from a realistic fiction book. Readers learn something about their own
<b>L2.1:</b> Demonstrate command of the		lives and the lives of others from reading books. Ask students what they learned from reading various books
conventions of standard English grammar and		in this unit. Have them consider if the characters learned anything that they might also learn. Students
usage when writing or speaking.		begin the final projects of retelling and writing a letter to their pen pal summarizing a book they read. (1 Day)
<b>L2.1b:</b> Form and use frequently occurring		Putting it all Together  2. Final Project: Review the performance tasks and the
irregular plural nouns( e.g. feet, children, teeth,		criteria by which students will be graded. Have students read <i>Tara and Tiree, Fearless Friends</i> by
mice, fish).		Andrew Clements. When they are finished, listen as they retell it and mark it for good sequence, inclusion of
<b>L2.1d:</b> Form and use the past tense of frequently		all of the story structure elements, and speaking in complete sentences that are grammatically correct.
occurring irregular verbs		Then they will write a letter to their pen pal giving a
(e.g., sat, hid, told).		summary of the story. (4 Days)  3. Celebrating what we have learned. Students meet with
<b>L2.2:</b> Demonstrate command of the		a buddy (another class at same grade level or different grade level) and retell the story, <i>Tara and Tiree,</i>
conventions of standard English capitalization,		Fearless Friends. The other class may share something as well.
punctuation, and spelling when writing.		READING LITERATURE, SPEAKING AND LISTENING

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
L2.2a: Capitalize holidays, product names, and geographic names.  L.2.2b: Use commas in greetings and closings of letters.  L2.2c: Use an apostrophe to form contractions and frequently occurring possessives.  L.2.3: Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading or listening.  L2.6: Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe(e.g. When other kids are happy that makes me happy)  SL2.1: Participate in		As students read the Henry and Mudge books, challenge them to look closely at the characters. Before the first chapter, ask the students to be ready to describe Henry and Mudge. Using sticky notes or whiteboards, require each student to write down two characteristics of each character. Although one of the characters is a dog and one is a boy, they have a wonderful friendship. Have students share at least two words to describe Henry and two words to describe Mudge. Discuss what can be learned about friendship through these stories. (RL.2.7, L.2.5b)  FINAL BOOK PROJECT (choose one)  a. Write a summary including the beginning, middle, and end. b. Draw three pictures, one for what happened in the beginning, one for what happened in the middle, and one for the end. Use this to retell the story to the class. c. Make a poster explaining what happened in the story. Use words and pictures. d. Tell about how this story was similar to your life and how it was different.
collaborative		

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
conversations with diverse partners about grade 2 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.		
<b>SL2.1b:</b> Build on others' talk in conversations by linking their comments to the remarks of others.		
SL2.1c: Ask for clarification and further explanation as needed about the topics and texts under discussion.		
SL2.5: Create audio recordings of stories or poems; add drawings or other visual displays to stories or recounts of experiences when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts and feelings.		
SL2.6: Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification.		

## **Biography: Why do we read biographies?**

Unit 4 - No. of Weeks: 6 - State Model Unit

**Essential Questions:** What is a biography? Why do we read biographies? Who is a good subject for a biography?

**Terminology:** Vocabulary words are listed at the beginning of each weeks lessons.

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	other works identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RI.2.2: Identify the main	ANCHOR TEXTS	DIBELS
topic of a multi-paragraph	<ul> <li>"Harriet Tubman" by Eloise</li> </ul>	• GRADE
text as well as the focus	Greenfield	• DRA
of specific paragraphs	<ul> <li>The Story of Ruby Bridges by</li> </ul>	
within the text.	Coles (AD730L)	Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (CEPA)
		Performance Task: You are going to read a biography and give
RI.2.3: Describe the	INFORMATIONAL TEXTS	a short presentation, or mini-biography, of the person's life.
connection between a	Whole Class Sets	You will explain what you have learned from that person (the
series of historical	<ul> <li>A Weed is a Flower: The Life</li> </ul>	subject of the biography), and why you think he or she is
events, scientific ideas or	of George Washington Carver	important. To prepare, you will write two paragraphs about this
concepts, or steps in	by Aliki (AD640L)	person and fill out a KWL chart, and select two or three
technical procedures in a		photographs to share.
text.	Small Group Sets	
	George Washington Carver by	*The full instructions for the CEPA can be found on pages 4
RI.2.5: Know and use	Lynea Bowdish (350L)	and 5 of the state model unit.
various text features	George Washington Carver by	
(e.g.,captions, bold print,	Vicky Franchino	Weeks 1 and 2: State model unit pages 7-16
subheadings, glossaries,	George Washington Carver	Students are introduced to the genre of biography and learn
indexes, electronic	Ingenious Inventor by Nathan	about what information they can expect to find in most
menus, icons) to locate	Olson (600L)	biographies. Students listen to several read-alouds about

#### **Focus Standards** Suggested **Sample Activities and Assessment** Works/Resources key facts or information Young Martin Luther King, Jr. George Washington Carver and learn to identify the main ideas in a text efficiently. by Joanne Mattern (550L) of paragraphs and sections. The focus is on whole-class, community learning: listening to a biography, reading a Martin Luther King, Jr.: A Man biography, and understanding the structure of a biography. A with a Dream by Alyse flexible-grouping model for a whole-class text allows you to **W.2.2:** Write Sweeney (620L) informative/explanatory group students according to the amount of support needed to Amelia Earhart by Philip texts in which they read the grade-level text: little or no support, some support, or Abraham (220L) introduce a topic, use significant support. Sacagawea: Her True Story by facts, and definitions to Jovce Milton develop points, an Weeks 3 and 4: State model unit pages 17-26 Who Was Sacagawea? by In addition to daily read-alouds, students will participate in provide a concluding Judith B. Fradin and Dennis B. guided reading groups, reading biographies on martin Luther statement or section. Fradin (650L) King Jr., Sacagawea, and Amelia Earhart. These books range W.2.8: Recall information in readability from end of first grade to end of third grade. Use Other Resources from experiences or a guided reading model of instruction to provide necessary George Washington Carver: gather information from instruction/support to ensure students understand the main The Peanut Scientist by provided sources to idea of the paragraph or section. Students will respond in their Patricia and Fredrick answer a question. Reading Response Journals. McKissack George Washington Carver by L2.3: Use knowledge of Weeks 5 and 6: State model unit pages 27-32 Charles W. Carey Jr. language skills and its Students will choose a biography and read it independently. As A Picture Book of Sacagawea they read students will complete a KWL chart. After they finish conventions when by David A. Adler (AD800L) the biography, students will write two paragraphs to summarize writing, speaking, • A Picture Book of Martin reading, or listening. the subject's life, and develop a presentation or "mini-Luther King, Jr. by David A. biography" about the person's life. On the final day, special Adler (AD680L) **L2.4**: Determine or clarify guests (family members, adults within the school community, Who was Amelia Earhart? by the meaning of unknown or students from other classrooms) will be invited to listen to Kate Jerome (610L) and multiple-meaning the presentations. Students will share important events from words and phrases their subject's life and their evaluation of that person. Finally, based on grade 2 guests will ask questions and students will answer them.

reading content,

choosing flexibility from an array of strategies.

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
<b>SL2.2:</b> Recount or describe key ideas or details from a text read aloud or		
information presented orally or through other media.		

## **Author/Illustrator Study: Tomie dePaola**

Unit 5 - No. of Weeks: 6 - State Model Unit -

Essential Questions: Where do writers get their ideas? Why read multiple books by the same author? How do illustrators help readers understand the words and ideas in a book? How can I explain my opinion about a text?

**Terminology:** Vocabulary words are listed at the beginning of each weeks lessons.

Focus Standards	Suggested	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Works/Resources	
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	other works identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.2.1: Ask and sanswer	ANCHOR TEXTS	DIBELS
such questions as who,	<ul> <li>Strega Nona by Tomie</li> </ul>	• GRADE
what, where, when, why,	dePaola (AD660L)	• DRA
and how to demonstrate		
understanding of key	LITERARY TEXTS	Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (CEPA)
details in a text.	Whole Class Sets	Performance Task: You are going to write a book review to be
	<ul> <li>The Art Lesson by Tomie</li> </ul>	put in a pocket in the back of a classroom book by Tomie
<b>RL.2.2:</b> Recount stories,	dePaola (AD650L)	dePaola. (It might also be possible to get permission to put
including fables and	<ul> <li>Now One Foot, Now the Other</li> </ul>	reviews in books from the school library or public library).
folktales from diverse	by Tomie dePaola (470L)	
cultures, and determine	<ul> <li>Stagestruck by Tomie dePaola</li> </ul>	*The full instructions for the CEPA can be found on page 5 of
their central message,		the state model unit.
lesson, or moral.	Small Group Sets	
	Big Anthony and the Magic	Weeks 1 and 2: State model unit pages 8-20
RL.2.3: Describe how	Ring by Tomie dePaola (550L)	In this series of five lessons, students learn about Tomie
characters in a story	Meet the Barkers by Tomie	dePaola through reading and listening to stories he has written.
respond to major events	dePaola (AD200L)	They learn how understanding an author's life and point of view
and challenges.	Trouble in the Barkers' Class	can help the reader understand the stories. Instruction and
	by Tomie dePaola (AD400L)	learning focus n the overall structure of a story, including how

## Suggested Works/Resources

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

RL.2.5: Describe the overall structure of a story, including describing hoe the beginning introduces the story and the ending concludes the action.

RI.2.7: Explain how specific images (e.g., a diagram showing how a machine works) contribute to and clarify a text.

MA.8.A. Identify dialogue as words spoken by characters (usually enclosed in quotation marks) and explain what dialogue adds to a particular story.

W.2.1: Write opinion pieces in which they introduce the topic or book they are writing about. state an opinion, supply reasons that support the opinion, use linking words (e.g., because, and, also) to connect opinion and reasons, and provide a concluding statement or section.

Boss for a Day by Tomie dePaola (250L)

- Hide and Seek All Week by Tomie dePaola (160L)
- Strega Nona Magic Lessons by Tomie dePaola (290L)

#### Other Resources - all by Tomie dePaola

Tomie dePaola Live in Concert: The Pied Piper of Children's Books, videodisc

#### -Autobiographical

- 26 Fairmount Avenue (760L)
- Here We All Are (700L)
- On My Way (590L)
- What a Year (660L)
- Things Will Never Be the Same(700L)
- I'm Still Scared (The War Years)
- Why? (The War Years)
- For the Duration (The War Years)
- Nana Upstairs & Nana Downstairs (640L)
- Watch Out For the Chicken Feet in Your Soup (AD450L)
- Oliver Button is a Sissy (480L)
- Now One Foot. Now the Other(470L)
- The Baby Sister (580L)
- My Mother is So Smart

the beginning introduces the story and the ending concludes the action. These lessons also emphasize how illustrations and text combine to help the reader understand the story. As students identify dialogue, they will acknowledge differences in the points of view of characters by speaking in a different voice for each character when reading dialogue aloud. After reading or listening to each story, students focus part of the discussion on the central theme or message of the story. In lesson 6 students will be introduced to characters that are in multiple books by Tomie dePaola. The focus of the lesson is on how characters respond to major events in a story. You begin by reading aloud Strega Nona (or students watch Tomie dePaola read it on the cd). One group (above grade level) reads Strega Nona and Big Anthony and the Magic Ring; the second group (on grade level) reads Meets the Barkers and Trouble in Barker's Class; and the third group (below grade level) reads Boss for a Day and Hide and Seek All Week. Reading is done independently or in a small group, depending on the needs of the students. Students use a Book Notes chart to record their daily written responses.

Weeks 3 and 4: State model unit pages 21-35 In this five lesson series there is a dual focus: comparing and contrasting books by Tomie dePaola and writing a paragraph expressing an opinion about a book. Begin by reading aloud several of Tomie dePaola's books during the lesson and then the class co-constructs a large Synthesis Chart, which includes the book title, characters, setting, major events, how the character responds, central message, and how the story relates to the author's life. Students continue to read in three homogeneous groups with the texts started in the previous lesson. One group (above grade level) reads Strega Nona and Big Anthony and the Magic Ring; the second group (on grade level) reads Meets the Barkers and Trouble in Barker's Class:

## Suggested Works/Resources

# **Sample Activities and Assessment**

W.2.5: With guidance and support from adults, respond to questions and suggestions from peers and add details to strengthen writing as needed.

- L2.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
- L2.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
- SL.2.2: Recount or describe key ideas or details from a text readaloud or information presented orally or through other media.
- RF2.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

 Christmas Remembered (1030L)

#### -Strega Nona Books

- Merry Christmas, Strega Nona (600L)
- Strega Nona Meets Her Match (500L)
- Strega Nona, Her Story (AD660L)
- Big Anthony, His Story
- Strega Nona Takes a Vacation (AD300L)
- Brava, Strega Nona!
- Strega Nona's Harvest (AD690L)
- Strega Nona's Gift

#### -Irish Books

- Jamie O'rourke and the Big Potato (AD660L)
- Patrick: Patron Saint of Ireland
- Fin Mccoul: The Giant of Knockmanv Hill

#### -Fables, Folktales, Myths, and Legends

- The Legend of the Indian Paintbrush(AD840L)
- Days of the Blackbird (810L)
- The Legend of the Bluebonnet (740L)
  - The Legend of the Pointsettia
  - The Legend of Old Befana
  - The Tale of Rabbit and Covote

and the third group (below grade level) reads Boss for a Day and Hide and Seek All Week. Reading is done independently or in a small group, depending on the needs of the students. Students use a Book Notes chart to record their daily written responses.

Weeks 5 and 6: State model units pages 36-40 In this four lesson series students will independently read a book by Tomie dePaola and write a book review. This is the Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment. Completed book reviews are placed in the library pocket of the classroom books so that the other students can read the review and decide if they want to read the book. The class has a celebration on the last day as they read their book reviews to each other, put library pockets inside books that don't have them, and put each book review in the pocket.

## What Happens to Animals When Their Habitats Change?

Unit 6 - No. of Weeks: 6 - State Model Unit

Essential Question: What is a habitat? What happens to animals when their habitats change? How can we learn about the polar bear's habitat? What can we do about changes in he polar bear's habitat?

**Terminology:** Vocabulary words are listed at the beginning of each weeks lessons.

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/ RI.2.1: Ask and answer	other works identified as exemplar  ANCHOR TEXT	(NC) Non-Conforming  • DIBELS
such questions as who,	"Where do Polar Bears Live?"	GRADE
what, where, when, why,	by Thomson (690L)	• DRA
and <i>how</i> to demonstrate	by momoon (coc)	J DICA
understanding of key	INFORMATIONAL TEXTS	Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (CEPA)
details in a text.		Performance Task: Write a letter to the editor of your school
	Small Group Sets	newspaper that expresses your opinion about the polar bear's
RI.2.4: Determine the	<ul> <li>Polar Bears by Gail Gibbons</li> </ul>	future. Support you opinion with reasons and examples. THEN
meaning of words and	(700L)	describe one thing students can do to help the polar bears and
phrases in a text relevant	<ul> <li>Polar Bears in Danger by</li> </ul>	explain how this change will affect polar bears.
to a grade 2 topic or	Roberta Edwards (IG810L)	
subject area.	<ul> <li>Polar Bears by Conrad Mason</li> </ul>	*The full instructions for the CEPA can be found on pages 4
RI2.6: Identify the main	(480L)	and 5 of the state model unit.
purpose of a text,	Other Berger	Wooks 1 and 2. State model unit pages 9.12
including what the author	Other Resources	Weeks 1 and 2: State model unit pages 8-12 What is the polar bear's habitat? Students review the
wants to answer, explain,	Polar Bears' Search for Ice by  Cillia M. Olana (0101)	concept of habitat and discuss Essential Question 1: What is a
or describe.	Gillia M. Olson (910L)	habitat? The teacher introduces the protocol for the vocabulary
	A Polar Bear Journey by	initiative for the unit. The teacher models how to determine

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
RI2.7: Explain how specific images (e.g., a diagram showing how a machine works) contribute to and clarify a	Debbie S. Miller (AD930L)  • Face to Face With Polar Bears by Norbert Rosing (920L)	important information and students begin identifying it and writing in their Reader's Response Journals (RRJs). During this unit, RRJs will be used to take notes while reading in preparation for student-led discussion.
text.		State model unit pages 13-18 What happens to animals when their habitats change?
RI.2.8: Describe how reasons support specific points the author makes in a text.		The teacher introduces student-led discussion groups and models how to jot down notes and ideas in a Reader's Response Journal while reading in order to prepare for participation in a discussion group. Mini-lessons include noticing how the illustrations and text work together to express
W.2.1: Write opinion pieces in which they introduce the topic of book they are writing about, state an opinion,		the author's message and identifying the author's purpose and point of view in writing the text. After reading, students participate in a Fishbowl discussion and evaluate their participation in the discussion.
supply reasons that support the opinion, use linking words (e.g., because, also) to connect opinion and reasons, and provide a concluding statement or section.		Weeks 3 and 4: State model unit pages 19-25 What can we do about changes in the polar bear's habitat? The teacher provides mini-lessons on an author's point of view and how reasons support an author's main points. Students read in small homogeneous groups. While reading, students prepare for discussion by writing in their Reader's Response Journals. After reading, students discuss what they have read with other students reading the same book. The teacher
W.2.7: Participate in shared research and writing projects.		facilitates as needed, going from group to group. Additional mini-lessons are based in the teacher's assessment of discussion content and process.
SL2.1: Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about		Weeks 5 and 6: State model unit pages 26-29 What can we do to help polar bears? CEPA: Students write a letter to the editor of their school newspaper that gives their opinion about the polar bear's future. They support their opinion with reasons and examples. THEN they describe one

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
grade 2 topics and texts		thing they can do to help polar bears and explain how this
with peers and adults in		change will affect polar bears.
small and large groups.		
a. Follow agreed		
upon rules for		
discussions (e.g.,		
gaining the floor in		
respectful ways,		
listening to others		
with care,		
speaking one at a		
time about the		
topics and texts		
under discussion).		
b. Build on others'		
talk in		
conversations by		
linking their		
comments to the		
remarks of others.		
c. Ask for clarification		
and further		
explanation as		
needed about the		
topics and texts		
under discussion.		
SL2.2: Recount or		
describe key ideas or		
details from a text.		
L2.1.f: Produce, expand,		
and rearrange complete		
simple and compound		
sentences.		

# Second Grade ELA Pacing Guide Aligned With the Common Core

Six Week	Common Core	Houghton Mifflin	Houghton Mifflin	Houghton Mifflin	Writing
Units	Standards	Phonics	Spelling	Grammar	
First Six Weeks	RS Foundational 3.2 a, b, e, f  Speaking and Listening 2.1.c, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6  Language 2.1.f, 2.2.d,e, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5  Writing 2.3, 2.5, 2.6, 2.8	Theme 1-1 wk 1 - short a/i wk 2 - base words and endings -s -ed - ing Theme 1-2 wk 3 - short o/u/e Theme 1-3 wk 4 - long vowels CVCe a/i Theme 1 Review wk 5 -vccv pattern / review short a/i wk 6 - short o/u/e	Theme 1-1 wk 1 – short a/i wk 2 – RWW frequently misspelled words Theme 1-2 wk 3 – short o/u/e Theme 1-3 wk 4 – vowel consonant e Theme 1 Review wk 5 – words 1-10 w/ 1-3 challenge words wk 6 – words 11-20 w/ 4-5 challenge words	Theme 1-1 wk 1 – what is a sentence? wk 2 – homophones Theme 1-2 wk 3 – naming parts of a sentence wk 4 – synonyms Theme 1-3 wk 5 – actions parts of a sentence wk 6 – multiple meaning words	Intro to Writing Workshop  Personal Narratives:

	1		<del>,</del>		<u></u>
	RS Foundational	Theme 2-1	Theme 2-1	Theme 2-1	Model Unit: Journalism
	3.2 a, b, e, f	wk 1 – long vowels	wk 1 – vowel consonant e	wk 1 – telling sentences and	<ul> <li>Purpose and</li> </ul>
		CVCe o/u/e	wk 2 – RWW frequently	questions	components of
	Speaking and	wk 2 – two sounds	misspelled words	wk 2 – compound words	newspapers
	Listening	for g/review long	Theme 2-2	Theme 2-2	What a newspaper
	2.1, 2.2, 2.3,	vowels CVCe a/i	wk 3 – words w/	wk 3 – commands	reporter does
	2.4, 2.6	Theme 2-2	consonant clusters	wk 4 – antonyms	<ul> <li>Vocabulary</li> </ul>
Second Six		wk 3 – consonant	Theme 2-3	Theme 2-3	connected with
Weeks	Language	clusters (r, l, s)	wk 4 – double consonants	wk 5 – exclamations	newspapers
	2.1.2.2.d,e,	Theme 2-3	Theme 2 Review	wk 6 – multiple meaning	
	2.3, 2.4, 2.5	wk 4– double	wk 5 – words 1-10 w/ 1-3	words	
		consonants	challenge words	Words	experience is
	Writing	Theme 2 Review	wk 6 – words 11-20 w/ 4-5		
	2.3, 2.5, 2.6,	wk 5 – two sounds for c	challenge words		
		wk 6 –VCV	Gridiiorige Words		
		pattern/review			
		consonant clusters			
		(r,l,s)			
		(1,1,5)			

	RS Foundational	There 2.4	There 2.4	Theres 2.4	Muiting a Duignast to Late
	2.3 a, b, d, e,	Theme 3-1	Theme 3-1	Theme 3-1	Writing a Friendly Letter:
	f 2.5 a, b, d, e,	wk 1 – consonant	wk 1 – words w/ th, wh,	wk 1 – naming words –	What are the five
	1	digraphs th, wh,	sh, ch, tch	common nouns	parts of a friendly
		sh, ch, tch	wk 2 – RWW frequently	wk 2 – dictionary abc order	letter?
	Charling and	wk 2 - base words and	misspelled words	to the third letter	<ul> <li>Persuasive and</li> </ul>
	Speaking and	endings –er / -est	Theme 3-2	Theme 3-2	Requesting
	Listening	and review double	wk 3 – long a spellings	wk 3 – special nouns	language in letters
Third Six	2.1.a, 2.3,	consonants	Theme 3-3	wk 4 – dictionary: beginning,	<ul> <li>Flat Stanley</li> </ul>
Weeks	2.4, 2.6	Theme 3-2	wk 4 – vowel sound in	middle, end	•
		wk 3 – vowel pairs	cow	Theme 3-3	
		ai/ay	Theme 3-4	wk 5 – one and more than	
	<u>Language</u>	Theme 3-3	wk 5 – long e spellings	one / using context	
	2.1.b, f,	wk 4 – vowel pairs	Theme 3 Review	Theme 3-4	
Christmas	MA.1.g,	ow/ou ˙	wk 6 – words 1-20 w/ 1-5	wk 6 – nouns that change	
Vacation	2.2.a, b, d, e,	Theme 3-4	challenge words	spelling in the plural /	
	2.3	wk 5 – vowel pairs	9	dictionary: guide words	
		ee/ea			
		syllables -tion, -			
	Writing	ture			
	2.3, 2.5, 2.8	Theme 3 Review			
		wk 6 – suffixes –ly, -ful/			
		review consonant			
		digraphs th, wh, sh,			
		ch,			
		tch - ai/ay - ow/ou			
		tcii - ai/ay - 0w/ou			
	RS Foundational	Theme 4-1	Theme 4-1	Theme 4-1	Book Reviews:
	2.3 a, b, e, f	wk 1 – r-controlled ar	wk 1 – vowel + r sounds	wk 1 – words for nouns	Summary of books
		wk 1 – r-controlled ar wk 2 – r-controlled or,	in car	wk 2 dictionary: entry words	What we liked and
		ore / review –tion –	wk 2 – RWW frequently	Theme 4-2	
Fourth Six	Speaking and	ture	misspelled words	wk 3 – singular possessive	why
Weeks	Listening	Theme 4-2	Theme 4-2		Why others should
MAGGEV2	2.1, 2.2, 2.4,	wk 3 – words with nd,	wk 3 – words that end	nouns	read the book.
	2.6	,		wk 4 – using a thesaurus	
	0	nt, mp, ng, nk	with nd, ng, nk	Theme 4-3	
	<u>Language</u>	Theme 4-3	Theme 4-3	wk 5 – plural possessive	
	2.3, 2.5, 2.6	wk 4 – vowel pairs	wk 4 – long o spelling	nouns	
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February Vacation	Writing 2.1, 2.5, 2.8	Theme 4 Review wk 5 – base words and endings –s, -es, ies / review r- controlled ar, or, ore wk 6 – review words with nd, nt, mp, ng, nk	Theme 4 Review wk 5 – words 1-10 w/ 1-3 challenge words wk 6 – words 11-20 w/ 4-5 challenge words	wk 6 – dictionary: parts of a dictionary entry	
Fifth Six Weeks April Vacation	RS Foundational 2.3 a, b, c, d, e, f  Speaking and Listening 2.1. a, b, c 2.5  Language 2.1.d, 2.2.c, e, 2.3, 2.4.c, 2.5  Writing M.A.3.A, 2.5, 2.6	Theme 5-1 wk 1 - er endings in two-syllable words wk 2 - review vowel pairs oa/ow Theme 5-2 wk 3 - contractions Theme 5-3 wk 4 - sound of y at the end of longer words/ prefix -un Theme 5-4 wk 5 - base words and -ed, -ing endings (double final consonant) Theme 5 Review wk 6 - le ending in two-syllable words / silent consonants gh, k(n), b wk 6 - review er endings/ le endings in two-syllable words/ y at the end of longer words	Theme 5-1 wk 1 – words that end with er wk 2 – RWW frequently misspelled words Theme 5-2 wk 3 – contractions Theme 5-3 wk 4 – final sound in puppy Theme 5-4 wk 5 – words that end with –ed or –ing Theme 5 Review wk 6 – words 1-20 w/ 1-5 challenge words	Theme 5-1 wk 1 – verbs wk 2 – word families Theme 5-2 wk 3 – verbs that tell about now wk 4 – dictionary: word meanings Theme 5-3 wk 5 – verbs that tell about the past / review homophones Theme 5-4 wk 6 – verbs is/are, was/were - dictionary: finding words with endings	Expression of ides and emotions written in a short, concise format or structure     Use literary techniques to create meaning, imagery, and mood     Structure of poems: lines, stanzas and white space     Poetic techniques: rhythms, rhyme, alliteration, repetition

Sixth Six Weeks	RS Foundational 2.3. a, b, c, e, f  Speaking and Listening 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.5, 2.6  Language 2.1.e*, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6  Writing 2.2, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7	Theme 6-1 wk 1 – vowel pairs oo, ew, ue, ou wk 2 – review base words and endings -ed, -ing (double final consonant) Theme 6-2 wk 3 – long i (igh and ie Theme 6-3 wk 4 – base words and endings -ed, -ing (drop the final e) Theme 6 Review wk 5 – review vowel pairs oo, ew, ue, ou wk 6 – review long i (igh and ie)	Theme 6-1 wk 1 – vowel sounds in moon and book wk 2 – RWW frequently misspelled words Theme 6-2 wk 3 – words with long i Theme 6-3 wk 4 – words with –ed and –ing Theme 6 Review wk 5 – words 1-10 w/ 1-3 challenge words wk 6 – words 11-20 w/ 4-5 challenge words	Theme 6-1 wk 1 – other irregular verbs wk 2 – word families Theme 6-2 wk 3 – adjectives including a, an, and the wk 4 – multiple meaning words Theme 6-3 wk 5 – comparing with adjectives wk 6 – using context  *adverbs!!	Research Reports: Sandy  Roth  RAN Chart Articles Pictures Group Collaboration  Model Unit: Reading for Inquiry
June - last days of school	Writing 2.3, 2.8  RS Literature 2.10				Writing Prompt

### Grade 2

## Unit 1

# Autumn by Emily Dickinson

The morns are meeker than they were,
The nuts are getting brown;
The berry's cheek is plumper,
The rose is out of town.
The maple wears a gayer scarf,
The field a scarlet gown.
Lest I should be old-fashioned,
I'll put a trinket on.

Emily Elizabeth Dickinson (1830 - 1886) was an American poet.

## A Vagabond Song

THERE is something in the autumn that is native to my blood— Touch of manner, hint of mood; And my heart is like a rhyme, With the yellow and the purple and the crimson keeping time.

The scarlet of the maples can shake me like a cry Of bugles going by. And my lonely spirit thrills To see the frosty asters like a smoke upon the hills.

There is something in October sets the gypsy blood astir; We must rise and follow her, When from every hill of flame She calls and calls each vagabond by name.

# Bed in Summer

by Robert Louis Stevenson

In winter I get up at night And dress by yellow candle-light. In summer quite the other way, I have to go to bed by day.

I have to go to bed and see The birds still hopping on the tree, Or hear the grown-up people's feet Still going past me in the street.

And does it not seem hard to you, When all the sky is clear and blue, And I should like so much to play, To have to go to bed by day?



## **Knoxville Tennessee** by Nikki Giovanni

I always like summer **Best** you can eat fresh corn From daddy's garden And okra And greens And cabbage And lots of Barbeque And buttermilk And homemade ice-cream At the church picnic And listen to Gospel music Outside At the church Homecoming And go to the mountains with Your grandmother And go barefooted And be warm All the time Not only when you go to bed And sleep

#### Something Told the Wild Geese by Rachel Field

Something told the wild geese
It was time to go,
Though the fields lay golden
Something whispered, "snow."

Leaves were green and stirring, Berries, luster-glossed, But beneath warm feathers Something cautioned, "frost."

All the sagging orchards
Steamed with amber spice,
But each wild breast stiffened
At remembered ice.

Something told the wild geese
It was time to fly,
Summer sun was on their wings,
Winter in their cry.

## Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening by Robert Frost

Whose woods these are I think I know. His house is in the village, though; He will not see me stopping here To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer To stop without a farmhouse near Between the woods and frozen lake The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake To ask if there is some mistake. The only other sound's the sweep Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark, and deep, But I have promises to keep, And miles to go before I sleep, And miles to go before I sleep.

#### Summer Song, by John Ciardi

By the sand between my toes,
By the waves behind my ears,
By the sunburn on my nose,
By the little salty tears
That make rainbows in the sun
When I squeeze my eyes and run,
By the way the seagulls screech,
Guess where I am? At the......!
By the way the children shout
Guess what happened? School is.....!
By the way I sing this song
Guess if summer lasts too long:
You must answer Right or.....!

## The Locust Tree in Flower by William Carlos Williams

Among of green stiff old bright broken branch come white sweet May

again

### The Snowflake by Walter de la Mare

Before I melt.
Come, look at me!
This lovely filigree!
Of a great forest
In one night
I make a wilderness

By skyey cold
Of crystals made
All softly, on
Your finger laid
I pause, that you
My beauty see:
Breathe, and I vanish
Instantly.

## Weather

Of white:

Dot a dot dot dot a dot dot Spotting the windowpane.

Spack a spack speck flick a flack fleck Freckling the windowpane.

A spatter a scatter a wet cat a clatter A splatter a rumble outside.

Umbrella umbrella umbrella umbrella Bumbershoot barrel of rain.

Slosh a galosh slosh a galosh Slither and slather a glide

A puddle a jump a puddle a jump A puddle a jump puddle splosh

A juddle a pump a luddle a dump A pudmuddle jump in and slide!

#### **Eve Merriam**

Who Has Seen the Wind? by Christina Georgina Rossetti (1830-1894)

Who has seen the wind?
Neither I nor you.
But when the leaves hang trembling,
The wind is passing through.
Who has seen the wind?
Neither you nor I.
But when the trees bow down their heads,
The wind is passing by.

## Unit 2

#### **Buffalo Dusk by Carl Sandburg**

THE BUFFALOES are gone.

And those who saw the buffaloes are gone.

Those who saw the buffaloes by thousands and how they pawed the prairie sod into dust with their hoofs, their great heads down pawing on in a great pageant of dusk,

Those who saw the buffaloes are gone.

And the buffaloes are gone.

## Section 2.01 Home On the Range

#### words by Dr. Brewster Higley, music by Dan Kelly

Forever in azure so bright.

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VERSE 1
Oh, give me a home where the buffalo roam,
Where the deer and the antelope play,
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word
And the sky is not clouded all day.
CHORUS
 A home, a home where the deer and the antelope play,
Where seldom is heard a discouraging word
And the sky is not clouded all day.
VERSE 2
 Oh, give me the gale of the Solomon vale,
Where life streams with buoyancy flow,
On the banks of the Beaver, where seldom if ever
Any poisonous herbage doth grow.
VERSE 3
 Oh, give me the land where the bright diamond sand
 Throws its light from the glittering stream
Where glideth along the graceful white swan,
 Like a maid in a heavenly dream.
VERSE 4
 I love the wild flowers in this bright land of ours;
 I love too the wild curley's scream,
The bluffs and white rocks and antelope flocks
That graze on the hillsides so green.
VERSE 5
 How often at night, when the heavens are bright
With the light of the glittering stars,
Have I stood here amazed and asked as I gazed
 If their glory exceeds this of ours.
VERSE 6
 The air is so pure, the breezes so free,
 The zephyrs so balmy and light,
 I would not exchange my home here to range
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## **Stories Worth Telling Again and Again**

Unit 1 - Number of Weeks: 6 - Sep.-mid Oct.

Anchor Text: The Stories Julian Tells, by Ann Cameron and Ann Strugnell; "Mother to Son", a poem by Langston Hughes

**Essential Question:** Why do we hand stories down to the next generation?

**Terminology:** author, character motivation, character traits, collective noun, editing, the fool, generational stories, illustrator internet search, narrative writing, noun, problem, pronoun, revising, shared research, solution, the trickster, Trickster Tales, Verb, verb tenses

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/ RL.3.2: Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures; determine the central message, lesson, or moral, and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.  RL.3.3: Describe characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations, or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.	<ul> <li>(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text</li> <li>(EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar</li> <li>ANCHOR TEXTS: <ul> <li>The Stories Julian Tells (Ann Cameron and Ann Strugnell) (E) (520L)</li> <li>"Mother to Son" (Langston Hughes) (EA)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Our stories: <ul> <li>More Stories Julian Tells (Ann Cameron and Ann Strugnell) (EA) (430L)</li> <li>The Stories Huey Tells (Ann Cameron and Roberta Smith) (EA) (470L)</li> <li>Gloria's Way (Ann Cameron and Lisa Toft) (EA)</li> <li>The Mask Makers</li> <li>The Weaver's Gift</li> <li>The Best Older Sister</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(AD) Adult Directed</li> <li>(IG) Illustrated Guide</li> <li>(NC) Non-Conforming</li> <li>MCAS</li> <li>District GRADE testing</li> <li>DRA</li> <li>Dibels</li> <li>Open response writing with Mass. Rubric</li> <li>Group and class discussion</li> <li>Participation</li> <li>Journal responses to literature, art, media,</li> <li>non-fiction</li> <li>Dramatization of poems</li> <li>Writing poems</li> <li>Reflective essays with teacher/student designed</li> <li>rubrics</li> <li>Short research projects</li> <li>Comparing and contrasting</li> </ul>

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

# **Sample Activities and Assessment**

#### SL.3.1: Engage effectively in a range or collaborative discussions (one-on-one, group, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own

SL.3.1(c): Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.

clearly.

- W.3.3: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.
- L.3.1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing and speaking.
- L.3.1(a): Explain the function of nouns,

#### **Grandparents' stories:**

- Grandfather's Journey (Allen Say) (EA) (AD650L)
- Tea with Milk (Allen Say) (EA) (AD450L)
- Song and Dance Man (Karen Ackerman and Stephen Gammell) (780L)
- Snowed in with Grandmother Silk (Carol Fenner and Amanda Harvey) (690L)
- Annie and the Old One (Miska Miles and Peter Parnall)
- Through Grandpa's Eyes (Patricia MacLachlan and Deborah Kogan Ray (EA) (560L)
- Knots on a Counting Rope (Bill Martin Jr. John Archambault, Ted Rand) (480L)
- The Memory String (Eve Bunting and Ted Rand) (AD290L)
- Grandma's Table
- The Ballad of Mulan (Song Nan Zhang)
- The Keeping Quilt (Patricia Polacco)

#### Cultural trickster stories:

- Tops & Bottoms (Janet Stevens) (E) (580L)
- Bruh Rabbit and Tar Baby Girl (Virginia Hamilton and James Ransome) (390L)
- Love and Roast Chicken: A Trickster Tale from the Andes Mountains (Barbara Knutson) (AD570L)
- Iktomi and the Buzzard (Paul Goble) (200L)
- Iktomi and the Coyote (Paul Goble) (310L)
- Iktomi and the Boulder (Paul Goble) (520L)
- Iktomi and the Berries (Paul Goble) (220L)
- Iktomi Loses His Eyes (Paul Goble)

- Spelling quizzes
- Vocabulary quizzes
- Teacher created assessments
- Homework

The Stories Julian Tells -

First chapter: "The Pudding Like a Night on the Sea"

How would you describe Julian? What are his character traits? Why does he do what he does?

Students cite evidence from the text as they answer the questions. Continue to focus on character traits and motivation in this series. Looking at not just Julian, but other characters as well.

Compare and contrast the Julian stories.

#### NARRATIVE WRITING

Students are assigned: "Interview one of your family members to learn a family story.

#### **POETRY PERFORMANCE**

"Choose one of Langston Hughes's poems to memorize or read interpretively. Be sure to communicate the meaning of the poem in the way you recite or read it."

#### LITERARY RESPONSE

After reading Knots on a Counting Rope, review the character traits of the boy and his grandfather. Students should pair up and list

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.

Hungry Spiders (told by Pleasant DeSpain)

Rabbit Races (told by Gayle Ross)

#### **Stories (Read Aloud)**

- The Apple and the Arrow (Mary Buff and Conrad Buff) (750L)
- Sign of the Beaver (Elizabeth George Speare) (770L)

#### **Poems**

- "Grandpa's Stories" (Langston Hughes) (E)
- "Aunt Sue's Stories" (Langston Hughes) (EA)
- "By Myself" (Eloise Greenfield)

#### Poems (Read Aloud)

- "Your World" (Georgia Douglas Johnson)
- "The Telephone" (Robert Frost) (EA)
- "Nani" (Alberto Rios)
- "You Are Old, Father William" (Lewis Carroll) (EA)
- "For want of a nail, the shoe was lost..." (Traditional)

#### **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS**

#### **Informational Books**

Students will do Internet research on a culture related to a favorite trickster tale.

- African American slave culture
- European culture (choose a specific country
- Native American (Plains) culture
- Andes Mountain culture

three characteristics for each.

Introduce another story that honors grandparents: Through Grandpa's Eyes. Students list at least three characteristics of each character in this story.

How are the grandparents similar and different? How are the grandchildren similar and different? What is the message of each book? What do you think the author might have wanted you to learn?

#### LITERARY RESPONSE

Trickster tales are stories that involve playing tricks to solve problems. Remind students that the story is not just in the text, but also in the illustrations. The illustrations give hints about the culture or origin.

- Who is the trickster?
- Who is the fool who gets tricked?
- What is the problem in the story?
- How did the trick solve the problem?

Think about why these stories have been told for hundreds of years.

#### RESEARCH PROJECT

Students should focus on one of the cultures.

#### ART/CLASS DISCUSSION

Identify the story or event that has been passed down through the generations in each of the images. Discuss how these images also serve as records.

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>Informational Books (Read Aloud)</li> <li>Throw Your Tooth on the Roof: Tooth Traditions Around the World (Selby Beeler and G. Brian Karas) (E) (AD770L)</li> <li>Merry Go Round: A Book About Nouns (World Language) (Ruth Heller) (NP)</li> <li>Mine, All Mine: A Book About Pronouns (World Language) (Ruth Heller) (NP)</li> <li>A Cache of Jewels and Other Collective Nouns (World Language) (Ruth Heller) (NP)</li> <li>Kites Sail High: A Book About Verbs (World Language) (Ruth Heller) (NP)</li> <li>ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA</li> <li>Art</li> <li>Jan van Eyck, Arnolfini Portrait (1434)</li> <li>Pablo Picasso, Guernica (1937)</li> <li>Jacopo Pontormo, Descent from the Cross (1528)</li> <li>Trojan's Column, in Rome, Italy (completed 113CE) (detail)</li> </ul>	What does the artist do to document the importance of an event (e.g., include unique elements or details)?  Why is there only one candle in the chandelier of van Eyck's image? Is that the artist's signature in the center of the painting? Other figures are reflected in the mirror at center.

## **Inspired by the Sea**

Unit 2 - Number of Weeks: 6 - mid Oct.-Nov.

Anchor Text: Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan; The Raft by Jim Lamarche; "Do Oysters Sneeze?" a poem by Jack Prelutsky

**Essential Question:** Why does the sea inspire us?

**Terminology:** adjectives, adverbs, author, comma, dialogue, illustrator, line, poem, poet, quotation marks, stanza, text evidence, text features

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/ RI.3.2: Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.  RI.3.9: Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.  RL.3.1: Ask and answer	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar  ANCHOR TEXTS:  • Sarah Plain and Tall (Patricia MacLachlan) (E) (560L)  • The Raft (Jim LaMarche) (E) (AD540L)  • "Do Oysters Sneeze?" (Prelutsky)  Stories  • The Storm (The Lighthouse Family Series) (Cynthia Rylant and Preston McDaniels) (E) (700L)  • Amos & Boris (William Steig) (E) (AD810L)  • Canoe Days (Gary and Ruth Wright	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming  DRA Dibels Open response writing with Mass. Rubric Group and class discussion Participation Journal responses to literature, art, media, non-fiction Dramatization of poems Writing poems Reflective essays with teacher/student designed
such questions to demonstrate understanding of a text,	Paulsen) (AD840L)  Three Days on a River in a Red Canoe (Vera B. Williams) (AD560L)  Seal Surfer (Michael Foreman)	<ul><li>rubrics</li><li>Comparing and contrasting</li><li>Spelling quizzes</li></ul>

#### referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.

L.3.1: Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

L.3.1(a): Explain the function of nouns. pronouns, verbs, adjectives, and adverbs in general and their functions in particular sentences.

W.3.3: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

W.3.3(b): Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.

SL.3.1: Engage

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### **Stories (Read Aloud)**

- "The River Bank" in *The Wind in the Willow* (Kenneth Grahame) (300L)
- Paddle-to-the-Sea (Holling Clancy Holling)
- Minn of the Mississippi (Holling Clancy Holling)

#### **Poems**

- "At the Seaside" (Robert Louis Stevenson)
- "Sleepy Pearl" (Frances Gorman Risser)
- "Undersea" (Marchette Chute)
- "Beach Stones" (Lilian Moore)
- "The Waves" (Gertrude M. Jones)
- "A Sand Witch for a Sandwich" (Emily Sweeney)
- "A Wave" (Gussie Osborne)

#### Poems (Read Aloud)

- "The Jumblies" (Edward Lear) (E)
- "From the Shore" (Carl Sandburg) (EA)
- "Seal Lullaby" (Rudyard Kipling) (EA)
- "Song of a Shell" (Violet L. Cuslidge)
- "The Barracuda" (John Gardner)

### **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS**

#### Informational Books

- Whales (Smithsonian) (Seymour Simond)
- Life in a Kelp Forest (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)
- Sea Turtles (Mary Jo Rhodes and David

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

- Vocabulary quizzes
- Teacher created assessments
- Homework

In reading the first chapter of Sarah Plain & Tall, challenge students to look for specific places in the text where they can prove that a character in the story is "inspired by the sea."

Discuss what motivates other characters.

Chapter 5 of Sarah Plain & Tall contains a narrative about haystacks. Prepare students to write well-developed narratives. Ask:

How many of you wanted to slide down the haystack?

What was it in her writing that made you feel like you were right there?

How did you know what the characters were feeling?

How did the dialogue help you to be "right there"? How did she communicate action? Thoughts? Feelings?

How did she order the events?

How did she close the scene?

Students write a personal narrative about something similar to the havstack slide, such as riding a roller coaster, sledding down a hill, etc. Be sure to show your actions, thoughts, and feelings through dialogue and description.

#### **POETRY**

Dramatic interpretation and recitation of poetry in this unit.

What's the message of the poem? Cite evidence.

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, group, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

**SL.3.1(a):** Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.

- Partners in the Sea (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)
- Octopuses and Squids (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)
- Seahorses and Sea Dragons (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)
- Disasters at Sea (DK Readers) (Andrew Donkin)
- Titanic: Disaster That Rocked the World (DK Readers) (Mark Dubowski)
- Journey of a Humpback Whale (DK Readers) (Caryn Jenner)
- Shark Attack! (DK Readers) (Cathy East Dubowski)
- The Night of the Pufflings (Bruce MacMillan)
- Trapped by the Ice (Michael McCurdy)
- A Child's Glacier Bay (Kimberly Corral)

#### **Informational Books (Read Aloud)**

- A Drop of Water: A Book of Science and Wonder (Walter Wick) (E)
- A Drop Around the World (Barbara Shaw McKinney and Michael S. Maydak)
- John Muir: America's Naturalist (Images of Conservationists) (Thomas Locker)
- Rachel Carson Preserving a Sense of Wonder (Thomas Locker and Joseph Bruchac)
- The Lamp, the Ice, and the Boat Called Fish: Based on a True Story (Jacqueline Briggs Martin and Beth Krommes)
- The Cod's Tale (Mark Kurlansky and S.D. Schindler) excerpts (e.g., informative illustrations/text features)

How are these poems similar? How are they different? Which of the poems do you think is better? Why?

#### **INFORMATIONAL TEXT**

Read two books with similar topics: such as A Drop of Water and A Drop Around the World. Discuss the following:

- Main idea
- Key points used to create main idea
- How are books similar? Different?
- Text features
- Purpose
- Does one book teach more than the other?
- How could one of the books be improved?

#### **INFORMATIONAL TEXT**

Create a list of text features. Identify the purpose of the text features in general.

#### **WRITING**

"You have read books about animals that live in the sea. Think about which animal has been most interesting to you. Write a paragraph about what you have learned about a specific sea animal: its habitat, its adaptations, and its diet." Give guidance in how to generate open-ended questions about the specific animal, a plan for locating the most relevant and useful information, and how to organize the information into focused paragraphs.

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>Swimming with Hammerhead Sharks (Kenneth Mallory)</li> <li>Survival Secrets of Sea Animals (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)</li> <li>Predators of the Sea (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)</li> <li>Life on a Coral Reef (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)</li> <li>Dolphins, Seals and other Sea Animals (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)</li> <li>Crabs (Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall)</li> <li>Many Luscious Lollipops: A Book About Adjectives (World Language) (Ruth Heller)</li> <li>Up, Up and Away: A Book About Adverbs (World Language) (Ruth Heller)</li> <li>Edward Hopper, Ground Swell (1939)</li> <li>Joseph Turner, Margate from the Sea (1835-1840)</li> <li>Katsushika Hokusai, Mount Fuji Seen Below a Wave at Kanagawa (1826-1833)</li> <li>Richard Diebenkorn, Horizon: Ocean View (1959)</li> </ul>	Students create a list of adjectives to describe their sea animal. Create short sentences using adjectives and adverbs. Have students practice making new sentences with comparative or superlative adjectives and adverbs.  ART Describe the differences among the works. Which one depicts the sea most accurately? Is it realistic or abstract?

## **Stories Matter: Reading and Connecting to Realistic Fiction**

Unit 3 - Number of Weeks: 6 - Dec.-Jan. - State Model Unit-

**Essential Questions:** Why do we read realistic fiction? How do story elements connect and help us to understand realistic fiction? How does understanding a character help us to understand ourselves? Why is it important to share our ideas about reading in discussions or in writing?

**Terminology:** critical analysis, audience, purpose, story elements (setting, character, problem/goal, events, resolution),

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(CEPA) Curriculum Embedded Performance
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works	Assessment
http://lexile.com/fab/	identified as exemplar	(EQ) Essential Question
DI 0.40 Divide a small of the	ANOLIOD TEVTO	(RRJ) Reading Response Journal
RL3.10 By the end of the	ANCHOR TEXTS:	GUIDING THE CONVERSATION AT
year, read and	Ira Says Goodbye (Bernard Waber)	BEGINNING OF UNIT:
comprehend literature,	"The Folk Who Lived in Backward Town"	What does it mean to be creative?
including stories, dramas,	(Mary Ann Hoberman)	Whom do you know that is creative?
and poetry, at the high		What other words can we make from the
end of the grades 2-3		base word <i>create</i> ?
text complexity band	Read Aloud Books	
independently and	<ul> <li>The Wednesday Surprise (Eve Bunting)</li> </ul>	(creation, created, creating, recreate, uncreative,
proficiently.	Owl Moon (Jane Yolen)	and recreation)
DI 2.2 December	<ul> <li>Now One Foot, Now the Other (Tomie</li> </ul>	Similar questioning for the words inventive and
RL3.3 Describe	DePaola)	notable.
characters in a story	<ul> <li>Marianthe's Story: Painted Words, Spoken</li> </ul>	
(e.g., their traits,	Memories (Aliki)	How are the words creative and inventive
motivations, or feelings)		similar? Different?
and explain how their	Whole Class Sets	
actions contribute to the	<ul> <li>Amber Brown is Not a Crayon (Paula</li> </ul>	Introduce the unit by posting essential
sequence of events.	Danziger)	questions on anchor chards. Discuss the
		difference between fiction and non-fiction as well

# RL3.7 Explain how specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story (e.g., create mood, emphasize aspects of a character or setting).

RLMA.8.A Identify elements of fiction (e.g., characters, setting, problem, solution) and elements of poetry (e.g., rhyme, rhythm, figurative language, alliteration, onomatopoeia).

- **SL3.1** Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
  - a. Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### **Small Group Sets**

- The Pain and the Great One (Judy Blume)
- The Hundred Dresses (Eleanor Estes)
- My Name is Maria Isabel (Alma Flor Ada)
- The One in the Middle is the Green Kangaroo (Judy Blume)

#### **Poetry**

- "When Hannah Moved Away" (Judith Viorst)
- "What Johnny Told Me" (John Ciardi)

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

as the difference between realistic fiction and fantasy.

# **Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (CEPA)**

Performance Task: Your task is to select a realistic fiction book of interest to you and read it independently. After reading, you will prepare and present a Book Talk to recommend this book to your classmates in a small group. This will allow you to share a book you have loved reading, and discuss it further when your classmates read it.

#### **Learning Events**

Weeks 1-2- Students will learn the focus of the unit (how to be thoughtful, critical readers of realistic fiction). Review and discuss EQs. Discuss types of fiction and then focus on realistic fiction (Why do we read it? What can we expect to find in any realistic fiction book? Discuss story elements.) Students will listen to Ira Says Goodbye. Students will also begin to read Amber Brown is Not a Crayon. Students will track various story elements as both stories are read. Next, students will listen to The Wednesday Surprise (where they will focus on problem/goal, events and solution) and Owl Moon (where they will focus on setting). During the reading of Owl Moon, students will NOT be shown the pictures. Instead, they will draw their own picture of the setting they imagined. Students will also read and recite a poem that is related to the plot of Amber Brown is Not a Crayon.

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.  b. Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).  c. As questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.		Weeks 3-4-During teacher read alouds, students will focus on making inferences about characters. They will also use the illustrations in the books to help with making inferences. Students will work in small, homogeneous groups to read different realistic fiction texts at their independent reading levels. They will focus on character feelings, conflicts and solutions. During this time, there will be several more read alouds of books, such as Marianthe's Story: Painted Words, Spoken Memories. During this time, students will use their RRJs to discuss various story elements.  Weeks 5-6- Students will select and read a realistic fiction book of their choice. They will be taught how to develop and present a Book Talk Upon finishing their book, students will take notes on a Book Talk form (see page 55 of state unit) to prepare for an oral presentation. They will present these Book Talks in small groups.
SL3. 4 Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking clearly		

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
at an understandable pace.		
L3.3 Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading or listening.  a. Choose words or phrases for effect. b. Recognize and observe differences between the conventions of spoken and written English.		
L3.6 Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them.).		

## **Life Stories: Learning From Biography**

Unit 4 - Number of Weeks: 6 - Feb.-mid March - State Model Unit

Essential Questions: What is a biography? What can we learn from reading biographies? What do the decisions and actions of people tell us about their character? What can we learn by studying the lives of others?

Terminology: biography, point of view, compare/contrast, time line, summary

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading <a href="http://lexile.com/fab/">http://lexile.com/fab/</a>	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar	(CEPA) Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (EQ) Essential Question (RRJ) Reading Response Journal
RI3.1 Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the	<ul> <li>ANCHOR TEXTS:</li> <li>The Secret Soldier (Ann McGovern) (Lexile 590)</li> <li>"Lincoln" (Nancy Byrd Turner)</li> </ul>	Introduce the unit by writing the essential questions on anchor charts to be displayed throughout the unit
text as the basis for the answers.  RI3.2 Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they	<ul> <li>Whole Class Sets</li> <li>Wilma Unlimited (Kathleen Krull) (Lexile 730)</li> </ul>	Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (CEPA) Performance Task: You are going to revise and update a biography about the person you were studying. Although your subject's life has not changed, the ways people can organize
support the main idea.  RI3.3 Describe the relationship between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a text, using language that	<ul> <li>Small Group Sets</li> <li>A Picture Book of Abraham Lincoln (David Adler) (Lexile 630L)</li> <li>Abraham Lincoln: A Photo-illustrated Biography (T.M. Usel) (Lexile 807)</li> <li>Abraham Lincoln: Lawyer, Leader, Legend (Justine and Ron Fontes) (Lexile 790)</li> </ul>	information has changed since the book was printed. You are going to present the story of your subject's life using new ways to organize the information, such as text boxes, captions, and headlines-the type of text features you might find on a web page.

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

pertains to time, sequence, and cause/effect.

RI3.5 Use text features and search tools (e.g.; key words, sidebars, hyperlinks) to locate information relevant to a given topic efficiently.
RI3.6 Distinguish their own point of view from that of the author of a text.

RI3.7 Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).

RI3.9 Compare and

contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.

W3.1 Write opinion pieces on topics or texts supporting a point of view with reasons.

W3.3 Write narratives to

develop real or imagined

experiences or events

• Who Was Abraham Lincoln? (Janet B. Pascale) (Lexile 790L)

#### **Other Resources**

- History Makers: A Questioning Approach to Reading and Writing Biographies (Myra Zarnowski)
- A Picture Book of Eleanor Roosevelt (David Adler) (Lexile 680L)
- Eleanor (Barbara Cooney) (Lexile 810)
- One copy each of selected biographies with text features (suggested: *Time for Kids* Biography series)

\*The full instructions for the CEPA can be found on pgs. 4-5 of the state unit.

#### **Learning Events**

Weeks 1-2- Introduce students to a new unit on biography. Preview essential questions and the culminating CEPA. Students are introduced to Wilma Unlimited and read it over a course of several days. Various discussion questions are posed post reading each day. Students will complete chart on important information as they read (see page 17 in state unit). Upon finishing, students will be given the book The Secret Soldier which they will read independently (with support given as needed) over the course of several days. While reading, students will again fill out the important information chart found on page 17 of the state unit. They will also complete various discussion questions after reading each day. Upon completion of the book, students will use their important events chart to write a summary of Deborah Sampson's life.

Week 3-4- Students will be broken into small groups. Each group will read a different biography of Abraham Lincoln over the course of several days. While reading, students will fill in the important events chart found on page 17 of the state unit. They will use the chart to help them write a journal entry on an important day in Lincoln's life, told from his point of view. Students will then choose a biography on a person of their choice to read in order to complete the CEPA. They will again use the important events chart on

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.  W3.4 With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the organization are appropriate to the task and purpose.  W3.10 Write routinely over extended time frames and shorter time frames for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.  SL3.1 Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions with diverse partners on grade three topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.  SL3.2 Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in	Suggested Works/Resources	page 17 of the state unit as they read. Daily minilessons will focus on aspects of biographies that prepare them for completing the CEPA. Confer with students periodically as they are reading and responding to their texts.  Weeks 5-6-Students will finish reading their independent biographies and complete the CEPA assignment.
diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, an orally.		

# Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 3

**Author Study: Cynthia Rylant** 

Unit 5 - Number of Weeks: 6 - mid March-April - State Model Unit

Essential Questions: Where do writers get their ideas? What's special about books in a series? How do illustrators help readers understand the words and ideas in a book?

Terminology: setting, characters, plot, autobiography, Appalachia,

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar	(CEPA) Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (EQ) Essential Question (RRJ) Reading Response Journal
RL.3.1 Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the	**ANCHOR TEXTS:     ** "Stopping By Woods On a Snowy Evening" (Robert Frost     ** The Blue Hills Meadows (Rylant)	Introduce the unit by preparing an "About the Author" corner of your room. Include pictures of books by Cynthia Rylant as well as a picture of the author. You may also want to include an anchor chart of the EQs in this corner.
answers.  RL3.2 Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from different cultures; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.	<ul> <li>Read Aloud Stories</li> <li>When I was Young in the Mountains (Cynthia Rylant)</li> <li>The Relatives Came (Cynthia Rylant)</li> <li>Appalachia: The Voices of Sleeping Birds (Cynthia Rylant)</li> <li>Best Wishes (Cynthia Rylant)</li> <li>The Old Woman Who Named Things (Cynthia Rylant)</li> <li>Every Living Thing (Cynthia Rylant)</li> <li>The Bookshop Dog (Cynthia Rylant)</li> </ul>	Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (CEPA) Performance Task: You have read and listened to several books written by Cynthia Rylant and illustrated by a number of artiss. Your task is to choose one of the books you liked a lot and write a letter or email to Cynthia Rylant and the illustrator of that book. You are going to tell them what you enjoyed about the writing and the artwork and explain why you think the words and pictures were a really
RL3.3 Describe		good match for each other.

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

characters in a story (e.g., their traits, motivations or feelings) and explain how their actions contribute to the sequence of events.

RL3.7 Explain how the specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story (e.g., create mood, emphasize aspects of a character or setting).

**RL3.9** Compare and contrast the themes, settings, and plots of stories written by the same author about the same or similar characters (e.g., in books from a series).

W3.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

W3.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined Whole Class Sets

#### **Small Group Sets**

- The Storm (Cynthia Rylant) (Lexile 700L)
- In Aunt Lucy's Kitchen (Cynthia Rylant) (Lexile 550L)
- Henry and Mudge (Cynthia Rylant) (Lexile 420L)

#### **Poetry**

"Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening" by Robert Frost

#### Other Resources

• For additional biographical information on Cynthia Rylant:

http://biography.jrank.org/pages/1628/Rylant-Cynthia-1954.html

- For additional information on illustrators of these books:
- Diane Goode http://www.dianegoode.com
- **Stephen Gammell** http://www.childrensliteraturenetwork.org/aifold er/aipages/ai\_g/gammell.php
- Barry Moser http://www.moserpennyroval.com/moserpennyroyal/Biography.html
- Kathryn Brown http://www.kathrynbrownbooks.com/
- **Sucie Stevenson** http://www.suciestevenson.com/bio-artist.html

\*The full instructions for the CEPA can be found on pgs. 5-6 of the state model unit.

#### **Learning Plan**

**Weeks 1-2-** During these two weeks, students will read a short biography of Cynthia Rylant have several of her "autobiographical" picture books read to them. During this time, students will learn how her books reflect the people and places in her life. Along with the read-aloud sories, students will also be independently be reading the short novel, The Blue Hill Meadows. Upon completion of this novel, students will write a personal narrative based on the style and structure of The Blue Hill Meadows. This narrative will describe their favorite season and a special time or activity that they engaged in with family or friends during that season.

Weeks 3-4- During this period, students will examine EQ2 "What is special about books in a series?". They will learn that books in a series often have continuity in characters. settings, and themes. In addition to daily readalouds, students will participate in guided reading groups, reading the first books in three different series written by Cynthia Rylant. These books will range in readability from grade 2 through grade 3. Students will respond in writing each day to their writing in their RRJs.

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	<ul> <li>Lauren Stringer         <ul> <li>http://www.laurenstringer.com/Home.html</li> </ul> </li> <li>Lisa Desimini <a href="http://lisadesimini.com/">http://lisadesimini.com/</a> </li> <li>Jill Kastner <a href="http://jillkastner.com/">http://jillkastner.com/</a></li> </ul>	Weeks 5-6- During this time, students will be selecting their favorite Cynthia Rylant book and completing their CEPA assignment.
W3.4 With guidance and support from adults, produce writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task and purpose.		
W3.10 Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.		
L3.1 Demonstrate command the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.		
L3.2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard		

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.		
Note: There are no Reading Information Text Standards used, although some of the texts are autobiographical. At the same time, the autobiographical texts also have a narrative structure, thus the		
selection of the Reading Literature Standards.		

# Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 3

**Extreme Weather: What is it and how does it affect our lives?** 

Unit 6 - Number of Weeks: 6 - May-June - State Model Unit

**Anchor Text:** A Drop of Water, by Walter Wick

Essential Question: What is weather? How does weather affect our lives? What are the impacts of extreme weather? How do we research and learn about a topic?

**Terminology:** text features (graphs, charts, maps, photographs, etc.), severe, climate, thunderstorm, blizzard, hurricane, tornado,

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar	(CEPA) Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment (EQ) Essential Question (RRJ) Reading Response Journal
RI3.1 Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the	ANCHOR TEXT:  • A Drop of Water (Wick)  INFORMATIONAL TEXTS	Introduce the unit by discussing the four EQs. Preview the CEPA so that students can begin to think about which type of extreme weather they will research.
text as the basis for the answers.  RI3.2 Determine main idea of a text; recount key details and explain how they support the main idea.  RI3.4 Determine the	Read Aloud Books:  • Inside Weather (Mary Kay Carson)  Whole Class Sets:  • The Best Book of Weather (Simon Adams)  • Magic Tree House Fact Checker: Twisters and Other Terrible Storms (Will Osborne and Mary Pope Osborne)	Curriculum Embedded Performance Assessment Performance Task: Students will use their acquired knowledge of the four types of extreme weather (thunderstorms, blizzards, hurricanes and tornadoes) to write a brief research report that answers the question, "What is the impact of extreme weather and how does it affect our lives?"
meaning of general academic and domain-	Books to Support ELL and Special Education Students:	*Complete instructions for the CEPA are found

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

# **Sample Activities and Assessment**

specifc words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.

**RI3.7** Use information gained from illustrations (e.g. maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).

W3.2.a.b.d. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

W3.7 Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic.

SL3.1.a-d. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts. building on others' ideas and expressing their own • Weather Words (Gail Gibbons)

#### **Suggested Texts for Student Browsing:**

- Weather (Seymour Simon) (Lexile 1020L)
- Extreme Weather (Michael Mogil and Barbara Levine) (Lexile 1060)
- Weather, DK Eye Wonder Series (DK Publishing)
- *Inside Lightening* (Melissa Stewart)
- Storms (Angela Royston)
- Hurricanes (Seymour Simon)
- Hurricanes (Chris Oxlade, Kingfisher Readers ) (Lexile 950L)
- Inside Hurricanes (Mary Kay Carson)
- Hurricane and Tornado (Jack Challenger, DK Evewitness Books)
- Inside Tornadoes (Mary Kay Carson)
- Tornadoes (Christy Steele, Nature on the Rampage Series)

#### **Suggested Texts for Student Mini-Inquiry** Groups (all of the above texts, plus the following):

- Tornado (Stephen Kramer) (Lexile 940)
- Blizzards (Michael Woods and Mary B. Woods)
- White-Out Blizzards (Claire Watts)
- Blizzard! (Jim Murphy) (Lexile 1080L)

#### **Websites for Student Inquiry:**

- www.education.noaa.gov/
- www.weatherwizkids.com

on pgs. 4-5 of the state model unit.

#### **Learning Plan**

Weeks 1-2- Introduction of the unit and discussion of EQs. Students discuss what they know about weather and how it affects the way we live. Students learn about weather conditions through teacher read-aloud and whole-class reading text. Students will generate questions related to weather that they would like to know more about. The class begins to create a display of weather words. Students will also begin to learn about the three factors that interact to create weather: the Sun, water, and air. The teacher will continue to use the read-aloud book. Inside Weather, to address this concept. Students will also continue reading the wholeclass text to reinforce concepts and support understanding. Students will learn about the four types of extreme weather related to the Sun, water, and air: thunderstorms, hurricanes, blizzards, and tornadoes. The teacher will read aloud pages from Inside Weather, which relate to Wild Weather and Storms. Students will then read related pages in their whole class text. Students will generate questions related to these examples of extreme weather and group questions into general categories. The class adds new words learned to the Word Wall.

Weeks 3-4 – The teacher will introduce students to mini-inquiry cycles for researching questions about extreme weather using thunderstorms as an example. The teacher models how to ask

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
clearly.		authentic questions, based on the list of student
		questions from the previous lesson, and how to
SL3.2 Determine the		use multiple sources to find answers. Students
main ideas and		browse books on the four types of extreme
supporting details of a text read aloud or		weather to determine which type of weather they want to investigate. The teacher uses
information presented in		"thunderstorms" to model how to find answers to
diverse media and		questions. The teacher forms groups for mini-
formats, including		inquiry cycles. Students will generate questions
visually, quantitatively,		about their topic and use these questions fro
and orally.		reading, writing, and discussing the information
, and a samp		learned in their mini-inquiry cycles. Students
<b>SL3.4</b> Report on a topic		record information learned in their RRJs. The
or text, tell a story, or		teacher provides mini-lessons on questions that
recount an experience		require research and can have several answers
with appropriate facts		as compared questions for which there is one
and relevant, descriptive		correct answer. The teacher supports students in
details, speaking clearly		asking questions, locating information based on
at an understandable		questions, using multiple sources including
pace.		websites, and determining important information
		and taking notes. New words common to all
L3.6 Acquire and use		groups are added to the Word Wall and
accurately grade-		discussed.
appropriate		Weeks 5-6- The teacher will now model how to
conversational, general academic, and domain-		synthesize information gained from multiple
specific words and		resources and write a report. Students use their
phrases, including those		notes from reading and discussions for their
that signal spatial and		report. They begin writing their individual
temporal relationships		research reports. After reports have been
(e.g., After dinner that		completed, students meet with their mini-inquiry
night we went looking for		groups to discuss how to present the information
them).		they have learned. They will each select one
,		portion from their report to present. The group
		will decide upon which visuals to include in order

<b>Focus Standards</b>	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
		to best illustrate the question being presented. Give students time to practice their presentations. The CEPA is culminated in the small group presentations. There is a rubric within the state model unit (p. 47) that you can use to assess student performance.

# **Third Grade ELA Pacing Guide Aligned With the Common Core**

Six Week Units	Common Core Standards	Houghton Mifflin Phonics	Houghton Mifflin Spelling	Houghton Mifflin Grammar	Writing
First Six Weeks	RFS3.3 W3.3,W3.4, W3.5, W3.10 SL3.4 L3.1, L3.2, L3.3 L3.4, L3.6	Theme 1-1 wk 1 - short vowels: a, e, i wk 2 - base words Theme 1-2 wk 3 - short vowels: o, u wk 4 - syllabication Theme 1-3 wk 5 -vowel consonant e wk 6 - inflected endings -ed, -ing	Theme 1-1 List 1 – short vowels: a, e, i List 2 – RWW frequently misspelled words Theme 1-2 List 3 – short vowels: o, u List 4 – Writing Words Theme 1-3 List 5 – vowel consonant e List 6 – Review Words	Theme 1-1 wk 1 – what is a sentence? wk 2 – abc order Theme 1-2 wk 3 – kinds of sentences wk 4 – multiple meaning words Theme 1-3 wk 5 – subjects and predicates wk 6 – parts of a dictionary	Launch of Writing Workshop and Personal Narrative  Sample Lessons/Activities  Rules of Writing Workshop Gathering Ideas Using Sensory Detail Gathering Seed Ideas Editing/Revising Strategies Small Moments Crafting good introductions/ conclusions Publishing
Second Six Weeks		Theme 2-1 wk 1 - long vowels: ai, ay, ee, ea Theme 2-2 wk 2 long vowels: o Theme 2-3 wk 3 - 3 letter clusters & unexpected consonant patterns Theme 2-4 wk 4 - long i vowel sounds: i, ie, igh wk 5 -structural analysis: plurals of words ending in ch, sh, x, s wk 6 - silent consonants gh, kn, b	Theme 2-1 List 7 – long vowels, ai, ay, ee, ea Theme 2-2 List 8 – long o vowels Theme 2-3 List 9 – 3 letter consonant clusters & unexpected consonant patterns Theme 2-4 List 10 – long i vowel sounds: i, ie, igh List 11 – Review Words List 12 – Writing Words	Theme 2-1 wk 1 – common nouns Theme 2-2 wk 2 – proper nouns Theme 2-3 wk 3 – singular & plural nouns Theme 2-4 wk 4 – special plural nouns wk 5 – rhyming words wk 6 – compound words	Persuasive Writing  Sample Lessons/Activities  Role Playing from Sandy Roth training  Close readings of persuasive essays  Should There Be Zoos?" and "Should There Be Pets?" collection of persuasive essays written by kids  Key Word Writing  Circle Map  Infomercials  Shared writing of class topic

Third Six Weeks	R3.4 RFS3.3 W3.10 SL3.2 L3.1, L3.2,	Theme 3-1 wk 1 – vowel sounds in clown and lawn wk 2 – structural analysis: plurals of nouns ending in f or fe Theme 3-2 wk 3 – vowel +/r/ sounds Theme 3-3 wk 4 – /j/, /k/, and /kw/	Theme 3-1 List 13 – vowel sounds in clown and lawn List 14 – RWW frequently misspelled words Theme 3-2 List 15 – vowel +/r/ sounds Theme 3-3 List 16 – /j/, /k/, and /kw/ sounds	Theme 3-1 wk 1 – possessive nouns wk 2 – using context Theme 3-2 wk 3 – what is a verb? Theme 3-3 wk 4 – present tense words Theme 3-4 wk 5 – past tense and future tense words	Responding to Open Ended Questions  Sample Lessons/Activities  "Miracle on the Hudson" packet  MCAS practice questions Using MCAS Scoring Rubric
Christmas Vacation	L3.3, L3.4	sounds Theme 3-4 wk 5 – structural analysis: prefixes un-, bi-, dis-, mis-, non- wk 6 – suffixes –y, -ly	Theme 3-4 List 17 – homophones List 18 – Review Words	wk 6 – structural analysis: words ending with –er and -est	
Fourth Six Weeks February Vacation	R3.1, R3.4, RI3.9 RFS3.3 W3.2,W3.4, W3.5, W3.6, W3.7, W3.8, W3.10 SL3.2, SL3.4 L3.1, L3.2, L3.4	Theme 4-1 wk 1 – vowel +r sound in hair wk 2 – structural analysis: syllabication and review Theme 4-2 wk 3 – structural analysis: word endings –ed, -ing and changing final y to i wk 4 – consonant clusters Theme 4-3 wk 5 – structural analysis: prefixes un-, pre-, re- suffixes –ful, -ly, -er wk 6 – digraphs ch, sh, th, tch, wh, wr	Theme 4-1 List 19 – vowel +r sound in hair List 20 – RWW frequently misspelled words Theme 4-2 List 21 – added endings List 22 – Writing Words Theme 4-3 List 23 – prefixes and suffixes List 24 – Review Words	Theme 4-1 wk 1 – verb be wk 2 dictionary: parts of speech Theme 4-2 wk 3 – helping verbs wk 4 – dictionary: more multiple meaning words Theme 4-3 wk 5 – irregular verbs wk 6 – dictionary: base words and inflected forms	Biography Writing  Sample Lessons/Activities  Biography of famous MA native Internet research Time for Kids biographies Shared Writing Circle Map Key Word Stratgy

Fifth Six Weeks April Vacation	RI.3.1,RI.3.3,RI. 3.4, RI3.5, RI.3.7, RI. 3.9, RI3.10  RFS3.3  W3.2, W3.4, W3.6, W3.7, W3.8, W3.10,  SL3.2, SL3.4, L3.1, L3.2, L3.4	Theme 5-1 wk 1 – vowel sounds in tooth and cook wk 2 – structural analysis: suffixes –less and -ness Theme 5-2 wk 3 – vowel sound in bought wk 4 – structural analysis: possessives Theme 5-3 wk 5 – structural analysis: vccv pattern wk 6 – double consonants	Theme 5-1 List 25 – vowel sounds in tooth and cook List 26 – RWW frequently misspelled words Theme 5-2 List 27 – vowel sound in bought List 28 – Writing Words Theme 5-3 List 29 – vccv pattern List 30 – Review Words	Theme 5-1 wk 1 – subject pronouns wk 2 – dictionary: syllables Theme 5-2 wk 3 – object pronouns wk 4 – analogies Theme 5-3 wk 5 – possessive pronouns wk 6 – review: past, present, and future tense verbs	Informational Writing: Plants  Sample Lessons/Activities  RAN Chart Key Word Strategy Close readings of plant articles Videos Photographs Plant Research Stations
Sixth Six Weeks	R3.5, R.MA.8.A RFS3.3 W.MA.3.A, W3.4, W3.10 SL3.5 L3.1 L3.2, L3.4	Theme 6-1 wk 1 – word endings: -er and -le wk 2 – structural analysis: vcccv pattern Theme 6-2 wk 3 – words beginning with a- and be- wk 4 – structural analysis: vcv pattern Theme 6-3 wk 5 – structural analysis: contractions wk 6 – soft c and g	Theme 6-1 List 31 – words that end with -er and -le List 32 – RWW frequently misspelled words Theme 6-2 List 33 – words that begin with a- and be- List 34 – Writing Words Theme 6-3 List 35 – contractions List 36 – Review Words	Theme 6-1 wk 1 – adjectives wk 2 – synonyms Theme 6-2 wk 3 – comparing with adjectives wk 4 – antonyms Theme 6-3 wk 5 – adverbs wk 6 – review: irregular verbs and helping verbs	Poetry: The Voices and Images of Our World (state model unit)  Sample Lessons/Activities  CEPA (found on p. 5 of state model unit) Chart on characteristics of poetry Compare/Contrast nonfiction passages and poems Reader's Response Journals Poetic Devices of Sound (rhyme, rhythm, and repetition; alliteration; and onomatopoeia) Metaphor vs. Simile Student written poetry using figurative language and the sounds of words  End of Year Writing Prompt
June - last days of school			. 5		

# **Grade 3**

#### Unit 1

#### **Mother to Son**

Well, son, I'll tell you: Life for me ain't been no crystal stair. It's had tacks in it, And splinters, And boards torn up, And places with no carpet on the floor-Bare. But all the time I'se been a-climbin' on, And reachin' landin's, And turnin' corners, And sometimes goin' in the dark Where there ain't been no light. So, boy, don't you turn back. Don't you set down on the steps. 'Cause you finds it's kinder hard. Don't you fall now-For I'se still goin', honey, I'se still climbin', And life for me ain't been no crystal stair.

## Langston Hughes

## By Myself

When I'm by myself
And I close my eyes
I'm a twin
I'm a dimple in a chin
I'm a room full of toys
I'm a squeaky noise
I'm a gospel song
I'm a gong
I'm a leaf turning red
I'm a loaf of brown bread
I'm a whatever I want to be
An anything I care to be
And when I open my eyes
What I care to be
Is me.

Eloise Greenfield

#### At the Sea-Side

By Robert Louis Stevenson 1850–1894
When I was down beside the sea
A wooden spade they gave to me
To dig the sandy shore.
My holes were empty like a cup.
In every hole the sea came up
Till it could come no more.

#### Do Oysters Sneeze?

Do oysters sneeze beneath the seas,
or wiggle to and fro,
or sulk, or smile, or dance awhile
...how can we ever know?

Do oysters yawn when roused at dawn,
and do they ever weep,
and can we tell, when, in its shell,
an oyster is asleep?

by Jack Prelutsky

#### **Undersea**

Beneath the waters

Green and cool

The mermaids keep

A swimming school.

The oysters trot;
The lobsters prance;
The dolphins come
To jon the dance.

But the jellyfish
Who are rather small
Can't seem to learn
The steps at all.

By Marchette Chute

## **Sleepy Oyster**

The storm is raging up above,
And waves are dashing high,
The sea birds, screaming, fly to land,
As thunder rocks the sky.

But down below in waters calm
The oyster sleeps away;
Quite heedless of the wind and waves,
He snoozes, night and day.

He does not shout and rant and rave, Nor bolts of lightning hurl, He's dozing in the oyster bed, And dreaming up a pearl!

Frances Gorman Risser

## A Wave

I sat on the beach and a beautiful wave
Came tumbling right up to me.
It threw some pink shells on the sand at my feet,
Then hurried straight back out to sea.

It ran away swiftly and leaped up in foam;
It bumped other waves in its glee.
I think it was hurrying to gather more shells,
To bring as a present for me.

#### Gussie Osborne

## A Sand Witch for a Sandwich

I walked the beach on a sunny day
And soon found a shell with which to play.
I made a castle, I made a moat,
I poured in water to sail my boat.

I made a farm and a racetrack, too, And then a figure that sort of grew Taller and taller as I piled more sand. Then I shaped a face with one wet hand.

Oh, what a face—with an ugly beak And a tall, tall hat that came to a peak! I looked with pride at my ugly witch, While all around I dug a ditch.

To keep her safe from the incoming tide,
I dug it deep on every side.
The waves rolled in and then slid back.
I waited for their we attack.

One little wave crept up the beach, But my sand witch it could not reach. One, two, three waves filled the ditch. Another wave took a nip at the witch.

A whitecap pushed with all his might
And ate that witch in one big bite!
I laughed as the water swished round my feet,
For *sandwiches* are made to eat!

## **Emily Sweeney**

## **Beach Stones**

When these small stones were in clear pools and nets of weed

tide-tumbled teased by spray

they glowed moonsilver, glinted sunsparks on their speckled skins.

Spilled on the shelf they were wet-sand jewels wave-green still flecked with foam.

Now gray stones lie dry and dim.

Why did we bring them home?

---Lilian Moore

#### The Folk Who Live in Backward Town

By Mary Ann Hoberman

The folk who live in Backward Town
Are inside out and upside down.
They wear their hats inside their heads
And go to sleep beneath their beds.
They only eat the apple peeling
And take their walks across the ceiling.

Jimmy Jet And His TV Set
I'll tell you the story of Jimmy Jet-And you know what I tell you is true.
He loved to watch his TV set
Almost as much as you.

He watched all day, he watched all night
Till he grew pale and lean,
From 'The Early Show' to 'The Late Show'
And all the shows in between.

He watched till his eyes were frozen wide, And his bottom grew into his chair. And his chin turned into a tuning dial, And antennae grew out of his hair.

And his brains turned into TV tubes, And his face to a TV screen. And two knobs saying 'vert.' and 'horiz.' Grew where his ears had been.

And he grew a plug that looked like a tail
So we plugged in little Jim.
And now instead of him watching TV
We all sit around and watch him.

Sheldon Allan Silverstein

#### Unit 4

#### The Star Spangled Banner Lyrics

By Francis Scott Key 1814

Oh, say can you see by the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars thru the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
Oh, say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore, dimly seen through the mists of the deep, Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes, What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep, As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses? Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam, In full glory reflected now shines in the stream: 'Tis the star-spangled banner! Oh long may it wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

And where is that band who so vauntingly swore
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
A home and a country should leave us no more!
Their blood has washed out their foul footsteps' pollution.
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight, or the gloom of the grave:
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

Oh! thus be it ever, when freemen shall stand
Between their loved home and the war's desolation!
Blest with victory and peace, may the heav'n rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

## 1694. The Flag Goes By By Henry Holcomb Bennett

HATS off!

Along the street there comes A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums, A flash of color beneath the sky:

Hats off!

The flag is passing by! Blue and crimson and white it shines, Over the steel-tipped, ordered lines.

Hats off!

10 The colors before us fly; But more than the flag is passing by. Sea-fights and land-fights, grim and great, Fought to make and to save the State: Weary marches and sinking ships; 15 Cheers of victory on dying lips; Days of plenty and years of peace; March of a strong land's swift increase; Equal justice, right and law, Stately honor and reverend awe; 20 Sign of a nation, great and strong To ward her people from foreign wrong: Pride and glory and honor,—all Live in the colors to stand or fall.

Hats off!

25

Along the street there comes A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums; And loyal hearts are beating high: Hats off!

The flag is passing by!

## **Washington Monument by Night**

Carl Sandburg (1922)

1

The stone goes straight.

A lean swimmer dives into night sky,
Into half-moon mist.

2

Two trees are coal black.
This is a great white ghost between.
It is cool to look at,
Strong men, strong women, come here.

3

Eight years is a long time To be fighting all the time.

4

The republic is a dream. Nothing happens unless first a dream.

5

The wind bit hard at Valley Forge one Christmas.

Soldiers tied rags on their feet.

Red footprints wrote on the snow . . .

. . . and stone shoots into stars here

. . . into half-moon mist tonight.

6

Tongues wrangled dark at a man.

He buttoned his overcoat and stood alone.

In a snowstorm, red hollyberries, thoughts, he stood alone.

7

Women said: He is lonely
... fighting ... eight years ...

8

The name of an iron man goes over the world. It takes a long time to forget an iron man.

9

## **Nation's Strength**

## Ralph Waldo Emerson (1904)

What makes a nation's pillars high And its foundations strong? What makes it mighty to defy The foes that round it throng?

It is not gold. Its kingdoms grand Go down in battle shock; Its shafts are laid on sinking sand, Not on abiding rock.

Is it the sword? Ask the red dust
Of empires passed away;
The blood has turned their stones to rust,
Their glory to decay.

And is it pride? Ah, that bright crown
Has seemed to nations sweet;
But God has struck its luster down
In ashes at his feet.

Not gold but only men can make A people great and strong; Men who for truth and honor's sake Stand fast and suffer long.

Brave men who work while others sleep, Who dare while others fly... They build a nation's pillars deep And lift them to the sky.

## Catch a Little Rhyme

Once upon a time I caught a little rhyme

I set it on the floor but it ran right out the door

I chased it on my bicycle but it melted to an icicle

I scooped it up in my hat but it turned into a cat

I caught it by the tail but it stretched into a whale

I followed it in a boat but it changed into a goat

When I fed it tin and paper it became a tall skyscraper

Then it grew into a kite and flew far out of sight...

**Eve Merriam** 

## **Barefoot Days**

**By: Rachel Field** 

In the morning, very early,
That's the time I love to go
Barefoot where the fern grows curly
And the grass is cool between each toe,
On a summer morning – O!
On a summer morning!

That is when the birds go by
Up the sunny slopes of air,
And each rose has a butterfly
Or a golden bee to wear;
And I am glad in every toe –
Such a summer morning – O!
Such a summer morning

# **Skyscrapers by Rachel Field**



Do skyscrapers ever grow tired Of holding themselves up high? Do they ever shiver on frosty nights With their tops against the sky?

Do they feel lonely sometimes, Because they have grown so tall? Do they ever wish they could lay right down And never get up at all?

## THE TALE OF CUSTARD THE DRAGON

## By Ogden Nash

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Belinda lived in a little white house, With a little black kitten and a little gray mouse, And a little yellow dog and a little red wagon, And a realio, trulio, little pet dragon.

Now the name of the little black kitten was Ink, And the little gray mouse, she called her Blink, And the little yellow dog was sharp as Mustard, But the dragon was a coward, and she called him Custard.

Custard the dragon had big sharp teeth,
And spikes on top of him and scales underneath,
Mouth like a fireplace, chimney for a nose,
And realio, trulio, daggers on his toes.

Belinda was as brave as a barrel full of bears, And Ink and Blink chased lions down the stairs, Mustard was as brave as a tiger in a rage, But Custard cried for a nice safe cage.

Belinda tickled him, she tickled him unmerciful, Ink, Blink and Mustard, they rudely called him Percival, They all sat laughing in the little red wagon At the realio, trulio, cowardly dragon.

Belinda giggled till she shook the house, And Blink said Week!, which is giggling for a mouse, Ink and Mustard rudely asked his age, When Custard cried for a nice safe cage.

Suddenly, suddenly they heard a nasty sound, And Mustard growled, and they all looked around. Meowch! cried Ink, and Ooh! cried Belinda, For there was a pirate, climbing in the winda.

Pistol in his left hand, pistol in his right, And he held in his teeth a cutlass bright, His beard was black, one leg was wood; It was clear that the pirate meant no good. Belinda paled, and she cried, Help! Help!
But Mustard fled with a terrified yelp,
Ink trickled down to the bottom of the household,
And little mouse Blink strategically mouseholed.

But up jumped Custard, snorting like an engine, Clashed his tail like irons in a dungeon, With a clatter and a clank and a jangling squirm He went at the pirate like a robin at a worm.

The pirate gaped at Belinda's dragon, And gulped some grog from his pocket flagon, He fired two bullets but they didn't hit, And Custard gobbled him, every bit.

Belinda embraced him, Mustard licked him, No one mourned for his pirate victim Ink and Blink in glee did gyrate Around the dragon that ate the pyrate.

Belinda still lives in her little white house, With her little black kitten and her little gray mouse, And her little yellow dog and her little red wagon, And her realio, trulio, little pet dragon.

Belinda is as brave as a barrel full of bears, And Ink and Blink chase lions down the stairs, Mustard is as brave as a tiger in a rage, But Custard keeps crying for a nice safe cage.

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#### **Tales of the Heart**

Unit 1 - Number of Weeks: 4 - September

Essential Question: How do stories reveal what we have in common?

Terminology: (review of) poetic devices: rhyme scheme, meter, alliteration poetic terms: stanza, line, verse, bio-poem, characters, dramatization, fluency, graphic organizer poetic devices: simile, metaphor, problem, solution semantic map

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.4.2: Determine a	ANCHOR TEXTS	MCAS
theme of a story, drama,	<ul> <li>Tanya's Reunion (Valerie Flournay) (AD600L)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>District GRADE testing</li> </ul>
or poem from details in	They Were My People (Grace Nichols) (E)	• DRA
the text; summarize the		DIBELS
text.	LITERARY TEXTS Stories (Read Aloud)	Open response writing with     Mass. Rubric
RI.4.1: Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.  RF.4.3: Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	<ul> <li>Harriet the Spy (Louise Fitzhugh) (760L)</li> <li>Stories         <ul> <li>Love that Dog (Sharon Creech) (EA) (1010L)</li> <li>Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing (Judy Blume) (470L)</li> <li>Clarice Bean Spells Trouble (Lauren Child)(340L)</li> <li>Fourth Grade Rats (Jerry Spinelli) (340L)</li> <li>Just Juice (Karen Hesse and Robert Andre Parker)(690L)</li> <li>Red Ridin' in the Hood: and Other Cuentos (Patricia Santos Marcantonio and Renato Alarco)(700L)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Group and class discussion</li> <li>Participation</li> <li>Journal responses to literature, art, media,</li> <li>non-fiction</li> <li>Dramatization of poems</li> <li>Writing poems</li> <li>Reflective essays with teacher/student designed</li> <li>rubrics</li> </ul>
RF.4.3(a): Use combined knowledge of all lettersound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology	<ul> <li>Porch Lies: Tales of Slicksters, Tricksters, and other Wily Characters (Patricia McKissack and Andre Carrilho)(790L)</li> <li>Tomas and the Library Lady (Pat Mora)(440L)</li> <li>Chalk Box Kid (Klyde Robert Bulla) (270L)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Short research projects/Bio poems</li> <li>Comparing and contrasting</li> <li>Spelling quizzes</li> <li>Vocabulary quizzes</li> <li>Teacher created assessments</li> </ul>

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

## **Sample Activities and Assessment**

(e.g., roots and affixes) to read accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context and out of context.

W.4.2: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

W.4.2(a): Introduce a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections: include formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aid comprehension.

W.4.2(b): Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic.

**SL.4.1:** Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacherled) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their

#### Poems (See Addendum A)

- Monday's Child Is Fair of Face (Mother Goose)
- Dreams (Langston Hughes) (EA)
- Humanity (Elama Stuckey)
- On the Way to School (Charles Ghigna)
- The Drum (Nikki Giovanni)
- Honey, I Love: And Other Love Poems (Eloise Greenfield and Leo and Diane Dillon)

#### Poems (Text about terms)

Skin Like Milk, Hair of Silk: What are Similes and Metaphors? (Words are Categorical) (Brian P. Cleary) (560L)

#### **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS**

#### About the body

- The Heart: Our Circulatory System (Seymour Simon) (1030L)
- The Heart and Circulation (Exploring the Human Body) (Carol Ballard)
- The Circulatory System (Kristin Petrie) (690L)
- The Amazing Circulatory System: How Does My Heart Work? (Leo Burstein)(800L)
- The Circulatory System (Scholastic, A True Book) (Darlene R. Stille) (760L)
- Lungs, Your Respiratory System (Seymour Simon)
- The Respiratory System (Susan Glass) (750L)
- The Respiratory System (Kristin Petrie)((750L)
- The Remarkable Respiratory System: How Do My Lungs Work? (John Burnstein)(NC704L)
- The Respiratory System (Scholastic, A True Book) (Darlene R. Stille)
- The ABCs of Asthma: An Asthma Alphabet Book for Kids of All Ages (Kim Gosselin and Terry Ravanelli)
- The Endocrine System (Rebecca Olien)
- The Exciting Endocrine System: How Do My Glands Work? (John Burnstein) (900L)

Homework

#### Word study

Words that share roots are related in their meanings. As individuals and as a class, keep an index card file of new words learned in this unit (i.e. cardiovascular, cardiac, cardiology, pulmonology, pulmonologist, etc.) Keeping words on index cards allows students to use and sort the words by meaning and spelling features. (This will be an ongoing activity all year.) Students work in groups to create semantic maps of the body systems in order to explore your understanding of the interconnectedness of the body systems.

#### **Reflective Essay**

As a class, summarize what was learned in this unit as it relates to the essential question "How do stories reveal what we have in common?" Following class discussion, students write a response and share it with the teacher.

Examine how doctors are portrayed in the various art selections. Determine what adjectives could be used to describe the doctors and patients. Students choose a favorite painting and write a conversation that could have occurred between patient and doctor.

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
SL.4.1(a): Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.  SL.4.1(b): Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.  L.4.4: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 4 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.	<ul> <li>Grossology and You: Really Gross Things about Your Body (Sylvia Branzei and Jack Keely) (IG890)</li> <li>What Makes You Cough, Sneeze, Burp, Hiccup, Blink, Yawn, Sweat, and Shiver? (My Health) (Jean Stangl)</li> <li>I Wonder Why I Blink and Other Questions About My Body (Brigid Avison) ((800L)</li> <li>Biographies         <ul> <li>Elizabeth Blackwell: Girl Doctor (Childhood of Famous Americans) (Joanne Landers Henry)(930L)</li> <li>Clara Barton (History Maker Bios) (Candice Ransom)</li> <li>100 African Americans Who Shape History [chapter on Daniel Hale Williams] (Chrisanne Beckner)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Biographies for         <ul> <li>Advanced Readers or Read Alouds</li> <li>The Mayo Brothers: Doctors to the World (Community Builders) (Lucile Davis)(700L)</li> <li>Charles Drew: Doctor Who Got the World Pumped Up to Donate Blood (Getting to Know the World's Greatest Inventors and Scientists) (Mike Venezia)(940L)</li> </ul> </li> <li>ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA Art</li> </ul>	
L.4.4(a): Use context (e.g., cause/effect relationships and comparisons in text) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.	<ul> <li>Sir Luke Fildes, The Doctor (1891)</li> <li>Frederick Daniel, Playing at Doctors (1863)</li> <li>Jan Steen, Doctor's Visit (1663-1665)</li> <li>Vincent van Gogh, Portrait of Dr. Gachet (1890)</li> <li>Norman Rockwell, Doctor and Boy Looking at the Thermometer (1954)</li> </ul>	

# Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 4

**Literature Settings: Weather or Not** 

Unit 2 - Number of Weeks: 6 - Oct.-mid Nov.

**Essential Question:** How does setting impact a story?

Terminology: (review of) poetic devices: rhyme scheme, meter, simile, metaphor; poetic terms: Stanza, line verse, context explicit

information, inference, prediction, setting

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading <a href="http://lexile.com/fab/">http://lexile.com/fab/</a>	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming
RL.4.1: Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	ANCHOR TEXTS     Skylark (Patricia MacLachlan) (470L)     Fog (Carl Sandburg) (E)  LITERARY TEXTS	<ul> <li>DRA</li> <li>DIBELS</li> <li>Open response writing with Mass. Rubric</li> <li>Group and class discussion</li> <li>Participation</li> </ul>
RL.4.3: Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions).	<ul> <li>Stories</li> <li>Time of Wonder (Robert McCloskey) (940L)</li> <li>Strawberry Girl (Lois Lenski) (650L)</li> <li>The Long Winter (Laura Ingalls Wilder) (EA) (790L)</li> <li>One Day in the Prairie (Jean Craighead George)</li> <li>A Prairie Alphabet (ABC Our Country) (Jo Bannatyne-Cugnet)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Writing poems</li> <li>Comparing and contrasting settings</li> <li>Re-write stories with different settings and analyze how it affects the story</li> <li>Spelling quizzes</li> <li>Vocabulary quizzes</li> </ul>
RI.4.3: Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the text.	<ul> <li>Rainbow Crow (Nancy Van Laan) (760L)</li> <li>Hurricane Book and CD (Read Along) (David Wiesner)</li> <li>Hurricane (Jonathan London)</li> <li>Wildfires (Seymour Simon) (990L)</li> <li>The Stranger (Chris Van Allsburg) (640L)</li> <li>Heat Wave (Helen Ketteman) (AD610L)</li> </ul>	Summarization of fiction and non-fiction texts using the "Somebody-Wanted-But-So" strategy. <a href="http://wvde.state.wv.us/strategybank/Somebody-Wanted-But-So.html">http://wvde.state.wv.us/strategybank/Somebody-Wanted-But-So.html</a>

#### **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

#### RF.4.4: Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

- RF.4.4(a): Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
- RF.4.4(b): Read on-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings.
- W.4.2: Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.
- **SL.4.1:** Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacherled) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts. building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
- SL.4.1(c): Pose and respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that

#### Stories (Set in Kenya)

- Safari Journal (Hudson Talbott) (780L)
- Owen and Mzee: The True Story of a Remarkable Friendship (CraigHatkoff)

#### Poems (See Addendum B)

- Dust of Snow (Robert Frost) (E)
- A Visit to William Blake's Inn: Poems for Innocent and Experienced Travelers (Nancy Willard)
- Clouds (Christina Rosetti)
- The Storm Book (Charlotte Zolotow)

#### **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS**

#### Reference

• National Geographic Atlas for Young Explorers

#### Seasons and Weather

- W is for Wind: A Weather Alphabet (Pat Michaels)
- Hurricanes: Earth's Mightiest Storms (Patricia Lauber) (E) (930L)
- Hurricanes (Seymour Simon) (EA)
- The Everything Kids' Weather Book (Joseph Snedeker)
- Do Tornadoes Really Twist? Questions and Answers About Tornadoes and Hurricanes (Melvin and Gilda Berger) (EA) (IG770L)
- Weather Whys: Questions, Facts and Riddles About Weather (Mike Artell) (860L)
- Let's Investigate Marvelously Meaningful Maps (Madeline Wood Carlisle) (E)
- If You're Not from the Prairie (David Bouchard)
- Can It Rain Cats and Dogs? Questions and Answers About Weather (Scholastic Question and Answer Series) (Melvin Berger) (EA) (710L)

- Journal responses to literature, art, media, non-fiction, poetry
- Reflective essays with teacher/student designed rubrics
- Bio poems
- Teacher created assessments
- Homework

Compare and contrast the impact of settings in poems or stories finding explicit details from each.

#### **Journal Response**

Following a class discussion of weather and climate - students write about the positive and negative effects of weather on real life and real life in literature.

#### **Research Project**

Write a Weather Forecast (Option 1): Students write a weather forecast for the area of choice. Include visual displays in the presentation as appropriate and share the report with the class in the style of a meteorologist.

#### **Research Project**

Q & A Report (Option 2): Students read a variety of informational texts, in print and online, about a season or weather phenomenon of choice. Write a report in question and answer format where students write the question and find the answers. Include audio or visual displays in the presentation, as appropriate.

## **Suggested Works/Resources**

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others.

- SL.4.1(d): Review the key ideas expressed and explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
- **L.4.5**: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
- L.4.5(a): Sort words into categories (e.g., colors, clothing) to gain a sense of the concepts the categories represent.

- Storms (Seymour Simon) (EA) (940L)
- Cloud Dance (Thomas Locker) (AD490L)
- The Cloud Book: Words and Pictures (Tomie DePaola) (EA) (680L)
- They Snowflake: A Water Cycle Story (Neil Waldman)

#### **Seasons and Weather (in Kenya)**

• Kenya's Long Dry Season (Nellie Gonzalez Cutler) (E)

#### **Informational Text**

#### (Advanced Readers or Read Aloud)

• The Weather Wizard's Cloud Book: A Unique Way to Predict the Weather Accurately and Easily by Reading the Clouds (Louis D. Rubin Sr.)

#### Art

- John Constable, Seascape Study with Rain Cloud (1827)
- Emile Nolde, Bewegtes Meer (1948)
- Claude Monet, Rouen Cathedral: The Portal Sunlight (1893)
- Martin Johnson Heade, On the San Sebastian River (1883-1890)
- Thomas Hart Benton, July Hay (1943)
- Tom Thompson, *April in Algonquin Park* (1917)
- Edouard Manet, Boating (1874)
- Wassily Kandinsky, Cemetery and Vicarage in Kochet (1909)

#### Word study

Keep an index card file of words learned in this unit (i.e. meteorology, prediction, forecast, catastrophic, catastrophe, etc.) Students create an individual semantic map to help explore the understanding of the interconnectedness of weather and story events.

#### Art

Choose a favorite photo and write an opening scene (with a partner) from a story that would have the weather as its setting, using at least one simile or metaphor.

Following a class summarization of what was learned in this unit as it relates to the essential question "How does setting impact a story?" students write a response before discussing as a class. After a class discussion, students write an individual response to share with the teacher.

# Curriculum Map – Ware Public Schools – English Language Arts: Grade 4

Animals are Characters, Too: Characters who Gallop, Bark and Squeak

Unit 3 - Number of Weeks: 8 - Nov.-Feb.

**Essential Question:** How do we portray animals in writing?

**Terminology:** character traits, first-person, third-person, limerick, narration, personification; poetic devices: rhyme scheme, meter,

simile, metaphor

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	identified as exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.4.5: Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, settings, descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text.  RI.4.2: Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.  RF.4.4: Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.	ANCHOR TEXTS  Charlotte's Web by White (680L)  LITERARY TEXTS  Stories (General)  James Herriot's Treasury for Children: Warm and Joyful Tales by the Author of All Creatures Great and Small (James Herriot)  It's Raining Cats and Dogs: Making Sense of Animal Phrase (Jackie Franza and Steve Gray)  Every Living Thing (Cynthia Rylant and S.D. Schindler) (870L)  Nacho and Lolita (Pam Munoz Ryan and Claudia Rueda)  The Mayor of Central Park (Avi and Brian Floca) (570L)  Tacky the Penguin (Helen Hester and Lynn Munsinger) (easier)	DRA     Dibels     Open response writing with Mass. Rubric     Group and class discussion     Participation     Journal responses to literature, art, media,     non-fiction     Dramatization of poems     Writing poems     Reflective essays with teacher/student designed     rubrics     Short research projects/Bio poems     Comparing and contrasting factual and     fictional information about animals     Journal entry personifying an
RF.4.4(c): Use context to confirm or self-correct word	<ul> <li>Stone Fox (John Reynolds Gardiner)(550L)</li> <li>Akiak (Robert J. Blake) (590L)</li> </ul>	<ul><li>animal</li><li>Spelling quizzes</li><li>Vocabulary quizzes</li></ul>

#### recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

- W.4.1: Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.
- SL.4.5: Add audio recordings and visual displays to presentations when appropriate to enhance the development of main ideas or themes.
- L.4.5: Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.
- L.4.5(b): Define words by category and by one or more key attributes (e.g., a duck is a bird that swims; a tiger is a large cat with stripes).
- L.4.5(c): Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy).

#### Suggested Works/Resources

#### Stories (Horses)

- The Black Stallion (Walter Farley) (E) (680L)
- Black Beauty: The Greatest Horse Story Ever Told (DK Readers Level 4) (Anna Sewell and Victor Ambrus) (650L)
- Paint the Wind (Pam Munoz Ryan) (780L)
- San Domingo: The Medicine Hat Stallion (Marguerite Henry and Robert Lougbeed)
- Gift Horse: A Lakota Story (S.D. Nelson) (AD610L)
- The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses (Paul Goble)(670L)
- Misty of Chincoteague (Marguerite Henry and Wesley Dennis) (advanced) (750L)

#### Stories (Dogs)

- Because of Winn Dixie (Kate 's DiCamillo) (610L)
- Shelter Dogs: Amazing Stories of Adopted Stravs (Peg Kehret and Greg Farrar) (940L)
- Lewis and Clark and Me: A Dog's Tale (Laurie Myers and Michael Dooling) (470L)
- The Trouble With Tuck: The Inspiring Story of a Dog Who Triumphs Against All Odds (Theodore Taylor) (880L)
- Three Names (Patricia Maclachian and Alexander Pertzoff) (AD690)
- A Dog's Life: Autobiography of a Stray (Ann M. Martin)
- Marley: A Dog Like No Other, A Special Adaptation for Young Readers (John Grogan) (760L)
- Lassie Come-Home: Eric Night's Original 1938 Classic (Rosemary Wells and Susan Jeffers) (780L)
- Shiloh (Phyllis Reynolds Naylor and Barry Moser) (advanced) (890L)

#### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

- Teacher created assessments
- Homework

Switcheroo Zoo http://www.switcheroozoo.com/

Illustrate literal and figurative meanings for animal idioms (e.g., It's raining cats and dogs.)

Internet4 Classroom -Grade Level Help for the teacher, it contains extension sites for students also. http://www.internet4classrooms.com/gr ade\_level\_help.htm

Compare and contrast how animals are personified—identifying explicit examples from texts

Journal entry personifying an animal; students trade writing to see if they can identify examples of personification

#### Create a Classbook

After reading and discussing W is for Woof make an ABC book of animal characters

Illustrate literal and figurative meanings for animal idioms after reading It's Raining Cats and Dogs and create a classbook

#### Report writing

Two students choose an animal to research; write a report or do a multimedia presentation on that animal

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>Stories (Mice)</li> <li>Tale of Despereaux: Being the Story of a Mouse, a Princess, Some Soup and a Spool of Thread (Kate DiCamillo and Timothy Basil Ering) (670L)</li> <li>Ben and Me: An Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin by His Good Mouse Amos (Robert Lawson)</li> <li>Ralph S. Mouse (Beverly Cleary and Tracy Dockray) (860L)</li> <li>The Mouse and the Motorcycle (Beverly Cleary) (860L)</li> <li>The Bookstore Mouse (Peggy Christian and Gary A. Lippincott) (810L)</li> <li>Ragweed (The Poppi Stories) (Avi and Brian Floca) (690L)</li> <li>The Race Across America (Geronimo Stilton)</li> <li>The Story of Jumping Mouse: A Native American Legends (John Steptoe) (AD500L)</li> <li>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH (Robert C. O'Brien) (advanced) (790L)</li> <li>Poppy (The Poppy Stories) (Avi and Brian Floca) (advanced)</li> </ul>	Drama Two or more classmates write two additional scenes to a play about animals (i.e. The Tacky Penguin)  Word Study Use new prefixes and suffixes learned so far, create index cards with a definition, the word in a sentence, and the word  Summaries Class summarizes what was learned about the essential question "How is the portrayal of animals similar and different between fiction and non-fiction?" Following, students write a response, edit with a peer, then submit to teacher  Art and Media students compare and contrast print and film versions of stories (e.g. The Black Stallion)
	Poems (See Addendum C)  • A Bird Came Down the Walk (Emily Dickinson) E  • The Rhinoceros (Ogden Nash) • The Erratic Rat (Traditional Limerick) • The Complete Nonsense of Edward Lear (Edward Lear) • Scranimals (Jack Prelutsky) • The Beauty of the Beast: Poems from the Animal Kingdom (Jack Prelutsky) • Poetry for Young People: Animal Poems (John Hollander and Simona Mulazzani)	

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	INFORMATIONAL TEXTS	
	<ul> <li>Informational Books (General)</li> <li>Seeing Eye to Eye (National Geographic Explorer!) (Leslie Hall) (E)</li> <li>Good Pet, Bad Pet (Ranger Rick, June 2002) (Elizabeth Schleichert) (E)</li> <li>National Geographic Encyclopedia of Animals (George McKay)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Informational Books (Veterinarians)</li> <li>I Want to Be a Veterinarian (Stephanie Maze) (NC1070L)</li> <li>Veterinarian (Cool Careers) (William Thomas)(700L)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Informational Texts (Horses)</li> <li>Horses (Seymour Simon) (E) (930L)</li> <li>H is for Horse: An Equestrian Alphabet (Michael Ulmer and Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen)</li> <li>Your Pet Pony (Scholastic, A True Book) (Elaine Landau)</li> <li>Horse Heroes: True Stories of Amazing Horses (DK Readers Proficient Readers, Level 4) (Kate Petty)(840L)</li> <li>Panda: A Guide Horse for Ann (Rosanna Hansen and Neil Soderstrom)</li> <li>The Kids' Horse Book (Sylvia Funston)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Informational Text (Dogs)</li> <li>Dogs (Smithsonian) (Seymour Simon) (EA)(870L)</li> <li>W is for Woof: A Dog Alphabet (Ruth Strother and Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen)</li> <li>Everything Dog: What Kids Really Want to Know About Dogs (Kids FAQs) (Marty Crisp)</li> </ul>	

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>A Dog's Gotta Do What a Dog's Gotta Do: Dogs at Work (Marilyn Singer) (870L)</li> <li>Your Pet Dog (Scholastic, A True Book) (Elaine Landau)</li> <li>Why Are Dogs' Noses Wet?: And Other True Facts (Howie Dewin)</li> </ul>	
	Informational Texts (Mice)	
	<ul> <li>Outside and Inside Rats and Mice (Sandra Markle) (820L)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>The Mouse (Animal Life Stories) (Angela Royston and Maurice Pledger)</li> </ul>	
	ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA	
	Media	
	Black Stallion (1979)	
	Black Beauty (1994)  Black Beauty (1994)	
	<ul><li>Black Beauty (1946)</li><li>Because of Winn Dixie (2005)</li></ul>	
	Tale of Desperaux (2008)	
	• Babe (1995)	
	Ratatouille (2007)	

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### **Revolutionaries from the Past**

Unit 4 - Number of Weeks: 8 - Feb.-March

**Essential Question**: How do stories reveal what we have in common??

Terminology: (review of) audience, autobiography, biography, first-person point of view, third -person point of view, informational text, structure, major character, minor character, point of view, primary source, secondary source, writing style, speech

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/ RL.5.6: Describe how a narrator's or speaker's point of view influences how events are described. RI.5.3: Explain the relationships or	identified as exemplar  ANCHOR TEXT  • "Concord Hymn" (Ralph Waldo Emerson)  LITERARY TEXTS  Stories (Read Aloud)	<ul> <li>(NC) Non-Conforming</li> <li>Pretest/s</li> <li>Class participation &amp; contributions to group discussion</li> <li>Self-reflection/evaluation</li> <li>Exit Cards</li> <li>Journal note-taking</li> <li>Compare and contrast historical</li> </ul>
interactions between two or more individuals, events, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text based on specific information in the text.	<ul> <li>Poor Richard's Almanack (Benjamin Franklin)</li> <li>Stories         <ul> <li>John Henry: An American Legend (Ezra Jack Keats)</li> <li>A Ride into Morning: The Story of Tempe Wick (Ann Rinaldi)</li> <li>The Secret of Sarah Revere (Ann Rinaldi) 530L</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>fiction (story elements)</li> <li>Comprehension quizzes</li> <li>Spelling quizzes</li> <li>Assessment of spelling in writing</li> <li>Teacher observation &amp; monitoring of skills taught</li> <li>Vocabulary quizzes</li> <li>Accelerated Reader quizzes</li> </ul>
RI.5.5: Compare and contrast the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in two or	<ul> <li>Heroes of the Revolution (David A. Adler and Donald A. Smith) 890L</li> <li>John Henry: An American Legend (Ezra Jack Keats)</li> <li>Navajo Long Walk (The Council for Indian Education) (Nancy A. Armstrong and Paulette Livers Lambert) 700L</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Teacher made         worksheets/assessments</li> <li>Homework</li> </ul>

### **Focus Standards**

### **Suggested Works/Resources**

### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

more texts.

RF.5.4: Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

RF.5.4(a): Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.

W.5.3: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique. descriptive details, and clear event sequences.

**SL.5.4:** Report on a topic or text or present an opinion, sequencing ideas logically and using appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details to support main ideas or themes; speak clearly at an understandable pace. L.5.4: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 5 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

L.5.4(b): Use common,

- Sleds on Boston Common: A Story from the American Revolution (Louise Borden and Robert Andrew Parker) 640L
- The Madcap Mystery of the Missing Liberty Bell (Real Kids, Real Places) (Carole Marsh) 770L
- The Mystery of the Freedom Trail (Real Kids, Real Places) (Carole Marsh)
- Trail of Tears (Step-Into-Reading, Step 5) (Joseph Bruchac) 610L
- War Comes to Willy Freeman (Arabus Family Saga) (James and Christopher Collier) 800L
- Yankee Doodle (Gary Chalk)

### Poems (See Addendum D)

- "A Nation's Strength" (Ralph Waldo Emerson)
- "A Tragic Story" (William Makepeace Thackeray)
- "George Washington" (Rosemary and Stephen Vincent Benet)

### **INFORMATIONAL TEXTS**

### **Biographies**

- Abigail Adams: Girl of Colonial Days (Childhood of Famous Americans Series) (Jean Brown Wagoner)
- How Ben Franklin Stole the Lightning (Rosalyn Schanzer)
- Now & Ben: The modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin (Gene Baretta)
- In Their Own Words: Sojourner Truth (Peter and Connie Roop)
- Sojourner Truth: Ain't I a Woman? (Scholastic Biography) (Patricia C. and Frederick McKissack)
- Paul Revere (In Their Own Words) (George Sullivan)
- Susan B. Anthony: Champion of Women's Rights (Childhood of Famous Americans Series) (Helen Albee Monsell)

### **Opinion Writing -**

Revolutionaries aren't always popular during the time that they live, but they believe in something so passionately that they are willing to go out on a limb to express their beliefs. Think about a current event and write an opinion.

Read and discuss the meaning of "The Flag" by an unknown author. How does the first-person point of view influence your appreciation of the poem?

### **Informative Writing –**

Students design and create a flag that simultaneously represents their family, the classroom, or the school. Explain the symbolism of the flag in a first-person narrative (similar to the presentation of "The Flag"). Summaries

Create a Timeline of historical events that shows the chronology and cause/effect relationship among them.

### Research -

Read informational text about people and events that are both firsthand (primary sources) and secondhand (secondary sources), and talk about how the differences in point of view affect understanding.

Does the overall structure of the text (chronology, cause/effect, etc.) affect your understanding of events as they are presented?

### **Focus Standards**

### **Suggested Works/Resources**

### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

grade-appropriate Greek and Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., photograph, photosynthesis).

- The Secret Soldier: The Story of Deborah Sampson (Scholastic Biography) (Ann McGovern, Harold Goodwin, and Katherine Thompson)
- Victory or Death!: Stories of the American Revolution (Doreen Rappaport, Joan Verniero, and Greg Call)

#### **Nonfiction Books**

- If You Lived at the Time of the American Revolution (Kay Moore and Daniel O'Leary)
- Crispus Attucks: Black Leader of Colonial Patriots (Childhood of Famous Americans) (Dharathula H. Millender and Gary Morrow)
- A History of US: From Colonies to Country (Joy Hakim)
- A is for America (Devin Scillian and Pam Carroll)
- O. Say Can You See? America's Symbols. Landmarks, And Important Words (Sheila Keenan and Ann Boyajian)
- The American Revolutionaries: A History in Their Own Words 1750-1800 (Milton Meltzer)
- The Revolutionary War (True Books: American History) (Brendan January)
- Molly Pitcher: Young Patriot (Childhood of Famous American Series) (Helen Albee Monsell)

### **Speeches (See Addendum D)**

- "Ain't I a Woman? (Sojourner Truth, May 29, 1851
- "Give Me Liberty, or Give Me Death" (Patrick Henry, March 23, 1775)
- "On a Woman's Right to Vote" (Susan B. Anthony, 1873)

Students collect information such as:

- Person or event
- Where this took place
- What is the historical significance of the event?
- From whose point of view is this account written?
- What other significant information did you read about this person or event?
- Notes about story structure (chronology, cause/effect, etc.)

Research an author who writes nonfiction in the style of a story (such as Jean Fritz). Conduct research about him/her and why he/she chose to write about historical topics.

If the internet is used, evaluate the site for credibility.

### **Art/Class Discussion**

View the Copley and Wood paintings. One work is a portrait painted while the person was living; the second, the artist's interpretation a hundred years later. Notice the differences in perspective (e.g., eye-level view v. bird's-eye view). Why do you think the earlier image focuses more on the man and the later one on the event that made him famous?

Compare Copley's and Wood's portrayals of Paul Revere.

How are they different?

Do they have anything in common-aside

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA  Art      Grant Wood, Midnight Ride of Paul Revere (1931)     John Singleton Copley, Paul Revere (1768)  Media     Rock and Revolution, "Too Late to Apologize" (2010)	from both showing Revere? What do you see first in each image? Is it Revere or something else? Each artist meant to tell a story through his painting – describe the story.

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### Stories of the Earth and Sky

Unit 5 - Number of Weeks: 4 - April

**Essential Question:** How are the Earth and Sky portrayed in fiction and non-fiction?

Terminology: artistic license, facts, details, legend, lore, myth, narrative writing, research, theme, word choice

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for Reading http://lexile.com/fab/	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text (EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as exemplar	(AD) Adult Directed (IG) Illustrated Guide (NC) Non-Conforming
RL.4.9: Compare and contrast the treatment of similar themes and topics (e.g., opposition of good and evil) and patterns of events (e.g., the quest) in stories, myths, and traditional literature from different cultures.  RI.4.7: Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages) and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.	<ul> <li>ANCHOR TEXT         <ul> <li>Driving on Mars by Carson</li> <li>A Pizza the Size of the Sun (Jack Prelutsky)</li> </ul> </li> <li>LITERARY TEXTS</li> <li>Stories (Myths and Legends)         <ul> <li>Children of the Earth and Sky: Five Stories About Native American Children (Stephen Krensky and James Watling) (AD670L)</li> <li>Keepers of the Night: Native American Stories and Nocturnal Activities for Children (Michael J. Caduto and Joseph Bruchac)</li> <li>Coyote Places the Stars (Harriet Peck Taylor) (780L)</li> <li>Star Boy (Paul Goble) (AD660L)</li> <li>The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses (Paul Goble) (670L)</li> <li>And Still the Turtle Watched (Sheila MacGill-Callahan)(AD400L)</li> <li>Thirteen Moons on Turtle's Back (Joseph Bruchac) (960)</li> <li>The Earth Under Sky Bear's Feet (Joseph Bruchac)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>DRA</li> <li>DIBELS</li> <li>Open response writing with Mass. Rubric</li> <li>Group and class discussion</li> <li>Participation</li> <li>Journal responses to literature, art, media,</li> <li>non-fiction</li> <li>Dramatization of poems</li> <li>Writing poems</li> <li>Reflective essays with teacher/student designed</li> <li>rubrics</li> <li>Short research projects/Bio poems</li> <li>Comparing and contrasting</li> <li>Spelling quizzes</li> <li>Vocabulary quizzes</li> <li>Teacher created assessments</li> <li>Homework</li> </ul>

### **Focus Standards**

### **Suggested Works/Resources**

### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

- W.4.3: Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique. descriptive details, and clear event sequences.
- **SL.4.4:** Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience in an organized manner. using appropriate facts and relevant. descriptive details to support main ideas or themes; speak clearly at an understandable pace.
- L.4.3: Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing. speaking, reading, or listening.

- Keepers of the Earth: Native American Stories and Environmental Activities for Children (Michael J. Caduto and Joseph Bruchac)(880L)
- The Woman Who Outshone the Sun/La mujer que brillaba aun mas que el sol (Alejandro Cruz Martinez and Fernando Olivera) (AD860)
- A Pride of African Tales (Donna L. Washington and James Ransome)(AD700L)
- How the Stars Fell Into the Sky: A Navajo Legend (JerrieOughton and Lisa Desimini) [easier to read1(Ad780L)
- Ming Lo Moves the Mountain (Arnold Lobel) [easy] (AD600L)
- Moon Rope/Un lazo a la luna: A Peruvian Folktale (Lois Ehlert and Amy Prince) [easier]
- Moonstick: The Seasons of the Sioux (Eve Bunting and John Sandford) [easier] (AD490)

#### Stories (General)

- Common Ground: The Water, Earth, and Air We Share (Molly Bang) (740L)
- Butterfly Eyes and Other Secrets of the Meadow (Joyce Sidman and Beth Krommes)
- My Light (Molly Bang) [easier] (690L)
- Midnight on the Moon (Magic Tree House Book 8) (Mary Pope Osborne) [easier](320L)
- Space Explorers (The Magic School Bus Chapter Book, No. 4) (Eva Moore and Ted Enik) [easier](560L)

#### Read Aloud/Advanced Readers

- The Mission Possible Mystery at Space Center Houston (Real Kids, Real Places) (Carole Marsh) [advanced](720L)
- They Dance in the Sky: Native American Star Myths (Jean Guard Monroe and Ray A. Williamson) [advanced]

Partners research information about a constellation on the Internet then write what they learned about the constellation's name, what a constellation is, what is unique about their constellation and then draw a picture of what it looks like

Students identify examples of artistic license in A Pride of African Tales. Butterfly Eyes and Other Secrets of the Meadow

Word Study: keep index card file of words studied in this unit (i.e. astronaut. astronomer, constellation, eclipse, etc.) Find prefixes (astro-) and suffixes (ologist, ology) and discuss meaning: students create semantic maps to explore understanding of the interconnectedness of words related to Earth and sky

After class summarization students write a response to the essential question "How are the Earth and sky portrayed in fiction and non-fiction?"

#### Art

After looking at and choosing a painting, write a story that could be illustrated by the painting.

Compare and contrast two works or art that focus on either the Earth or the sky. Students write a short essay.

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	Poems (See Addendum E)	
	<ul> <li>Indian Names (Lydia Howard Huntley Sigourney)</li> </ul>	
	INFORMATIONAL TEXTS	
	Informational Books (Native Americans)	
	<ul> <li>The Mound Builders of Ancient North America (E. Barrie Kavasch) (E)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Mounds of Earth and Shell (Native Dwellings)         (Bonnie Shemie)</li> </ul>	
	Informational Books (Space)	
	<ul> <li>Discovering Mars: The Amazing Story of the Red Planet (Melvin Berger and Joan Holub) (E) (670L)</li> <li>Can You Hear A Shout In Space? Questions and Answers About Space Exploration (Scholastic Question and Answer) (Melvin Berger) (E) (IG770)</li> <li>Space: A Nonfiction Companion to Midnight on the Moon (Magic Tree House Research Guide, No. 6) (Mary Pope and Wil Osborne, and Sal Murdocca)</li> </ul>	
	Informational Texts (Earth, Sun, Moon and Stars)	
	Earth: Our Planet in Space (Seymour Simond)	
	<ul> <li>Earth (Scholastic, A True Book) (Elaine Landau)</li> <li>Earth (Picture Reference) (World Book) (Christine</li> </ul>	
	Butler-Taylor) (420L)	
	<ul> <li>G is for Galaxy (Janis Campbell, Cathy Collison, and Alan Stacy)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Do Stars Have Points? (Scholastic Questions and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Answer) (Melvin Berger) (E) (700L)</li> <li>I Wonder Why Stars Twinkle: And Other Questions</li> </ul>	
	About Space (Carole Stott) (IG860L)	
	<ul> <li>A Child's Introduction to the Night Sky: The Story of the Stars, Planets and Constellations—and How You Can Find Them in the Night Sky (Michael Driscoll and Meredith Hamilton) (NC1120)</li> </ul>	
	Constellations (Scholastic, A True Book) (Diane M.	

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>and Paul P. Sipiera)</li> <li>Find the Constellations (H.A. Rey) (850L)</li> <li>Zoo in the Sky: A Book of Animal Constellations (Jacqueline Mitton and Christina Balit)</li> <li>See the Stars: Your First Guide to the Night Stars (Ken Crosswell)</li> <li>Constellations (Scholastic, A True Book) (Flora Kim)</li> <li>The Moon (Seymour Simond) (730L)</li> <li>The Moon (Starting With Space) (Paulette Bourgeois, Cynthia Pratt Nicholson, and Bill Slavin) (760L)</li> <li>The Sun (Seymour Simond) (870L)</li> <li>The Sun (Scholastic, A True Book) (Elaine Landau)</li> <li>The Sun (Starting With Space) (Cynthia Pratt Nicholson and Bill Slavin) (740L)</li> <li>Stars (Scholastic, True Books: Space) (Paul P. Sipiera)</li> <li>The Stars (Starting With Space) (Cynthia Pratt Nicholson and Bill Slavin) (680L)</li> <li>Informational Book (Read Aloud/Advanced Readers)</li> <li>A Walk Through the Heavens: A Guide to Stars and Constellations and their Legends (Milton D. Heifetz and Wil Tirion)</li> </ul>	
	ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA	
	<ul> <li>Art</li> <li>John Constable, Study of Clouds (1882)</li> <li>John Constable, Hampstead Heath, Looking Towards Harrow at Sunset (1823)</li> <li>Louisa Matthiasdottir, Gul (1990)</li> <li>El Greco, View of Toledo (c. 1595)</li> <li>Vincent van Gogh, Starry Night (1889)</li> </ul>	

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>Alfred Stieglitz, Equivalents (1923)</li> <li>Albert Pinkham Ryder, Seacoast in the Moonlight (1890)</li> <li>Piet Mondrian, View from the Dunes with Beach and Piers (1909)</li> <li>Vija Clemins, Untitled #3 (Comet) (1996)</li> <li>Jean-Francois Millet, Landscape with a Peasant Woman (early 1870's)</li> </ul>	

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### Fantastic Adventures with Dragons, Gods, and Giants

Unit 6 - Number of Weeks: 6 - May-June

**Essential Question:** Why How does what we read teach us about heroism?

Terminology: acrostic poem, character development, hero/heroine literary terms: novel, plot, setting, perspective, point of view, unsung hero, villain

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
Lexile Framework for	(E) indicates a CCSS exemplar text	(AD) Adult Directed
Reading	(EA) indicates a text from a writer with other works identified as	(IG) Illustrated Guide
http://lexile.com/fab/	exemplar	(NC) Non-Conforming
RL.4.4: Determine the	ANCHOR TEXT	• DRA
meaning of words and	<ul> <li>Number the Stars (Lois Lowry) (670L)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dibels</li> </ul>
phrases as they are		<ul> <li>Group and class discussion</li> </ul>
used in a text,	<u>LITERARY TEXTS</u>	<ul> <li>Participation</li> </ul>
including those that	Stories (Middle Ages)	<ul> <li>Journal responses to literature,</li> </ul>
allude to significant	<ul> <li>King Arthur (Scholastic Junior Classics) (Jane B. Mason</li> </ul>	art, media,
characters found in	and Sarah Hines Stephens) (790L)	<ul> <li>non-fiction</li> </ul>
mythology (e.g.,	<ul> <li>The Knights of the Kitchen Table (John Scieszka and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dramatization of poems</li> </ul>
Herculean).	Lane Smith) (630L)	Writing poems/acrostic poem for
	<ul> <li>The Story of King Arthur and His Knights (Classic</li> </ul>	a hero
RI.4.8: Explain how an	Starts) (Howard Pyle and Dan Andreasen) (NC920)	Reflective essays with
author uses reasons	<ul> <li>King Arthur (Troll Illustrated Classics) (Howard Pyle,</li> </ul>	teacher/student designed
and evidence to	Don Hinkle, and Jerry Tiritilli) (910L)	• rubrics
support particular	The Kitchen Knight: A Tale of King Arthur (Margaret)	Short research projects/Bio
points in a text.	Hodges and Trina Schart Hyman)	poems
W 4 7 0 1 1 1	<ul> <li>The Whipping Boy (Sid Fleischman and Peter Sis)</li> </ul>	Comparing and contrasting
W.4.7: Conduct short	(570L)	heroes
research projects that	Robin Hood:Tale of the Great Outlaw Hero (DK Readers)	Spelling quizzes
build knowledge	Proficient Readers, Level 4) (Angela Bull and Nick	<ul><li>Vocabulary quizzes</li></ul>
through investigation	Harris)(600L)	Teacher created assessments
of different aspects of	The Adventures of Robin Hood (Classic Starts) (Howard	Homework
a topic.	Pyle and Lucy Corvino)(690L)	FIOITIEWORK

### **Focus Standards**

### **Suggested Works/Resources**

### **Sample Activities and Assessment**

- **SL.4.2**: Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats. including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
- L.4.6: Acquire and use accurately gradeappropriate general academic and domainspecific words and phrases, including those that signal precise actions. emotions, or states of being (e.g., quizzed, whined, stammered) and that are basic to a particular topic (e.g., wildlife, conservation, and endangered when discussing animal preservation).

- Favorite Medieval Tales (Mary Pope Osborne and Troy Howell) (860L)
- Days of the Knights: A Tale of Castles and Battles (DK Readers Proficient Readers, Level 4) (Christopher Maynard) (760L)
- The Young Merlin Trilogy: Passager, Hobby and Merlin (Jane Yolen) (780L)
- Sir Cumference and the First Round Table: A Math Adventure (Cindy Neuschwander and Wayne Geehan) (AD600L)
- Door in the Wall (Marguerite De Angeli) [easier to read] (990L)
- Christmas in Camelot (Magic Tree House Book 29) (Mary Pope Osborne and Sal Murdocca) [easier] (420L)
- Ella Enchanted (Gail Carson Levine) [advanced readers] (670L)
- The Grey King (The Dark is Rising sequence) (Susan Cooper) E [advanced](930L)
- The Mystery of the Alamo Ghost (Real Kids, Real Places) (Carole Marsh) [advanced] (720L)
- Lou Gehrig: The Luckiest Man (David A. Adler) (750L)
- Happy Birthday, Dr. King! (Kathryn Jones)(800L)
- Boss of the Plains (Laurie Carlson) (AD830L)

### **Stories (Other Time Periods)**

- The Children's Book of Heroes (William J. Bennett, Michael Hague, and Amy Hill) (820L)
- Kaya's Hero: A Story of Giving (American Girls Collection) (Janet Beeler Shaw, Bill Farnsworth, and Susan McAliley)(750L)
- Adventures of the Greek Heroes (Anne M. Wiseman, Mollie McLean, and Witold T. Mars) (520L)
- Welcome to the Globe: A Story of Shakespeare's Theatre (DK Readers Proficient Readers, Level 4) (Peter Chrisp)
- The Library Card (Jerry Spinelli) [advanced](690L)

### Use the Frayer Model

http://wvde.state.wv.us/strategybank/Fr averModel.html to outline definitions, characteristics, and examples and nonexamples of heroes

Students read Saint George and the Dragon focusing on the Red Cross Night. Next they read Merlin and the *Dragons* focusing on Young Arthur: after discussion, students write a response to how their understanding of the word "hero" changed or remained the same after each story

Students choose a scene from a Middle Ages story they are reading and re-write the scene from another point of view (i.e., if it's in the first person, re-write in the third; if it's in the third person, rewrite in the first)

Persuasive writing: which legendary character, King Arthur or Robin Hood, is a better hero?

Write an acrostic poem about a favorite hero or heroine

Discussion: how does point of view change the class definition of hero—or not. (Use The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka)

Read Foster Parents Are the Unsung Heroes of Kids; students write a journal entry and nominate someone they know as an unsung hero

Focus Standards	Suggested Works/Resources	Sample Activities and Assessment
	<ul> <li>Stories (Read Aloud)         <ul> <li>Saint George and the Dragon (Margaret Hodges and Trina Schart Hyman)(AD1080)</li> <li>Merlin and the Dragons (Jane Yolen and Li Ming)(640L)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Poems (See Addendum F)         <ul> <li>Why Dragons? (Jane Yolen)</li> <li>Robin Hood and Little John (Anonymous)</li> <li>Robin Hood and Maid Marian (Anonymous)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Multimedia: Work with a classmate to edit and revise unsung hero nominations including as many new vocabulary words, phrases, and figurative language descriptions as make sense; add audio and visual to enhance the nomination—host a ceremony where students share their presentations
	INFORMATIONAL TEXTS	
	<ul> <li>Informational Books</li> <li>England: The Land (Erinn Banting) (E) (IG1150L)</li> <li>Illuminations (Jonathan Hunt)</li> <li>Knights and Castles (Magic Tree House Research Guide) (Mary Pope and Will Osborne and Sal Murdocco)(690L)</li> <li>Knights: Warriors of the Middle Ages (High Interest Books) (Aileen Weintraub)</li> <li>Adventures in the Middle Ages (Good Times Travel Agency) (Linda Bailey and Bill Slavin)</li> <li>The Middle Ages: An Interactive History Adventure (You Choose: Historical Eras) (Allison Lassieur)</li> <li>Women and Girls in the Middle Ages (Medieval World) (Kay Eastwood)(IG1070L)</li> </ul>	
	Biographies  Joan of Arc: The Lily Maid (Margaret Hodges and Robert Rayevsky)(790L)  Milliam Shakaanaara & the Cloba (Aliki)(AD850L)	
	<ul> <li>William Shakespeare &amp; the Globe (Aliki)(AD850L)</li> <li>George Washington: Soldier, Hero, President (DK Readers Reading Alone, Level 3) (Justine and Ron Fontes)</li> <li>Davy Crockett (Photo Illustrated Biographies) (Kathy</li> </ul>	

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	<ul> <li>Feeney)</li> <li>Booker T. Washington: A Photo-Illustrated Biography (Photo Illustrated Biographies) (Margo McLoone)(520L)</li> <li>Henry Ford: A Photo-Illustrated Biography (Photo Illustrated Biographies) (Erika L. Shores)</li> <li>Elizabeth Cady Stanton: A Photo Illustrated Biography (Photo Illustrated Biographies) (Lucile Davis)</li> <li>Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce: A Photo-Illustrated Biography (Photo Illustrated Biographies) (Bill McAuliffe)(480L)</li> </ul>	
	ART, MUSIC, AND MEDIA	
	<ul> <li>Art</li> <li>The Unicorn Tapestries (late fifteenth century through early sixteenth centuries)</li> <li>Raphael, St. George the Dragon (1504-1506)</li> <li>Donatello, St. George (1415-1417)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Media</li> <li>The Adventures of Robin Hood (1938)</li> <li>Knights of the Round Table (1953)</li> </ul>	

## **Unit 1- Addendum A**

## They Were My People by Grace Nichols

They were those who cut cane to the rhythm of the sunbeat

They were those who carried cane to the rhythm of the sunbeat

They were those who crushed cane to the rhythm of the sunbeat

They were women weeding, carrying babies to the rhythm of the sunbeat

They were my people, working so hard to the rhythm of the sunbeat - - long ago to the rhythm of the sunbeat.

## "Monday's child is fair of face..." by Mother Goose

Monday's child is fair of face,
Tuesday's child is full of grace;
Wednesday's child is full of woe,
Thursday's child has far to go;
Friday's child is loving and giving,
Saturday's child works hard for its living;
But the child that is born on the Sabbath day
Is bonny and blithe, and good and gay.

# **Dreams**by Langston Hughs

Hold fast to dreams
For if dreams die
Life is a broken-winged bird
That cannot fly.
Hold fast to dreams
For when dreams go
Life is a barren field
Frozen with snow.

# Humanity by Elma Stuckey

If I am blind and need someone To keep me safe from harm, It matters not the race to me Of the one who takes my arm. If I am saved from drowning As I grasp and grope, I will not stop to see the face Of the one who throws the rope. Or if out on some battlefield I'm falling faint and weak, The one who gently lifts me up May any language speak. We sip the water clear and cool, No matter the hand that gives it. A life that's lived worthwhile and fine, What matters the one who lives it?

## On The Way To School By Charles Ghigna

I'll tell you why I'm tardy and I hope my excuse will do.
I stopped to view upon a leaf a spider and some dew.
She spun a web before my eyes with a soft and silver hue,
And when she looked, I looked at her and whispered, "Peekaboo!"

I think I may have startled her and so I waved good-bye, But when I turned around to go, I met a butterfly! I almost caught him in my hand to bring to class for you, But when I tried to peek inside, away my treasure flew.

And that is how I'm tardy, but I had to tell you why. It's all the fault of a spider's web and a sneaky butterfly!

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# The Drum by Nikki Giovanni

daddy says the world is a drum tight and hard and i told him i'm gonna beat out my own rhythm

## **Unit 2- Addendum B**

### **Dust of Snow**

BY ROBERT FROST

The way a crow Shook down on me The dust of snow From a hemlock tree

Has given my heart A change of mood And saved some part Of a day I had rued.

### Fog

By Carl Sandburg

The fog comes on little cat feet.

It sits looking over harbor and city on silent haunches and then moves on. Carl Sandburg

### Clouds

By Christina Rossetti

White sheep, white sheep, On a blue hill, When the wind stops, You all stand still. When the wind blows, You walk away slow. White sheep, white sheep, Where do you go?

## **Unit 3- Addendum C**

### A Bird came down the Walk

By **Emily Dickinson** 

A Bird came down the Walk— He did not know I saw— He bit an Angleworm in halves And ate the fellow, raw,

And then he drank a Dew From a convenient Grass— And then hopped sidewise to the Wall To let a Beetle pass—

He glanced with rapid eyes
That hurried all around—
They looked like frightened Beads, I thought—
He stirred his Velvet Head

Like one in danger, Cautious, I offered him a Crumb And he unrolled his feathers And rowed him softer home—

Than Oars divide the Ocean, Too silver for a seam— Or Butterflies, off Banks of Noon Leap, splashless as they swim.

### The Rhinoceros

By Ogden Nash

The rhino is a homely beast, For human eyes he's not a feast. Farwell, farewell, you old rhinoceros, I'll stare at something less prepoceros

### The Erratic Rat

By Carolyn Wells

There was a ridiculous Rat
Who was awfully puffy and fat.
"I'll carry," he said,
"This plate on my head,
'Twill answer in place of a hat."

## Unit 4- Addendum D

Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-82) was a key early American philosopher, poet and writer, particularly known for his appreciation of individualism, self-reliance and intuition. He wrote this poem, which was sung as a hymn at a July 4, 1837 ceremony to mark the completion of the Concord Monument, to immortalize the resistance of American Minutemen to British forces on April 19, 1775. The poem's phrase "shot heard round the world" is now internationally famous for its description of the philosophical importance of the American Revolution.

### Concord Hymn by Ralph Waldo Emerson

By the rude bridge that arched the flood, Their flag to April's breeze unfurled, Here once the embattled farmers stood, And fired the shot heard round the world.

The foe long since in silence slept; Alike the conqueror silent sleeps; And Time the ruined bridge has swept Down the dark stream which seaward creeps.

On this green bank, by this soft stream, We set to-day a votive stone; That memory may their deed redeem, When, like our sires, our sons are gone.

Spirit, that made those heroes dare To die, and leave their children free, Bid Time and Nature gently spare The shaft we raise to them and thee.

### A Nation's Strength by Ralph Waldo Emerson (1904)

What makes a nation's pillars high And its foundations strong? What makes it mighty to defy The foes that round it throng?

It is not gold. Its kingdoms grand Go down in battle shock; Its shafts are laid on sinking sand, Not on abiding rock.

Is it the sword? Ask the red dust Of empires passed away; The blood has turned their stones to rust, Their glory to decay.

And is it pride? Ah, that bright crown Has seemed to nations sweet; But God has struck its luster down In ashes at his feet.

Not gold but only men can make A people great and strong; Men who for truth and honor's sake Stand fast and suffer long.

Brave men who work while others sleep, Who dare while others fly... They build a nation's pillars deep And lift them to the sky.

# A Tragic Story by William Makepeace Thackeray

There lived a sage in days of yore, And he a handsome pigtail wore; But wondered much and sorrowed more, Because it hung behind him.

He mused upon this curious case, And swore he'd change the pigtail's place, And have it hanging at his face, Not dangling there behind him.

Says he, "The mystery I've found -Says he, "The mystery I've found! I'll turn me round," - he turned him round; But still it hung behind him.

Then round and round, and out and in, All day the puzzled sage did spin; In vain - it mattered not a pin -The pigtail hung behind him.

And right and left and round about, And up and down and in and out He turned; but still the pigtail stout Hung steadily behind him.

And though his efforts never slack, And though he twist and twirl, and tack, Alas! Still faithful to his back, The pigtail hangs behind him. On the birthday of the Father of Our Country it is proper to take a moment and reflect that in all likelihood the United States of America would not exist today but for the leadership shown by George Washington during the Revolution. The poets Rosemary and Stephen Vincent Benet explored long ago some of the many different paths the life of Washington might have taken which would have altered our history so profoundly. We call Washington the Father of Our Country not to honor him, but as a simple statement of fact.

## George Washington by Rosemary and Stephen Vincent Benét

Sing hey! For bold George Washington, That jolly British tar,
King George's famous admiral
From Hull to Zanzibar!
No-wait a minute-something's wrongGeorge wished to sail the foam.
But, when his mother thought aghast,
Of Georgie shinning up a mast,
Her tears and protests flowed so fast
That George remained at home.

Sing ho! For grave Washington,
The staid Virginia squire,
Who farms his fields and hunts his hounds
And aims at nothing higher!
Stop, stop it's going wrong again!
George liked to live on farms,
But when the Colonies agreed
They could and should and would be freed,
They called on George to do the deed
And George cried "Shoulder arms!"

Sing ha! For Emperor Washington,
That hero of renown,
Who freed his land from Britain's rule
To win a golden crown!
No, no, that's what George might have won
But didn't for he said,
"There's not much point about a king,
They're pretty but they're apt to sting
And, as for crowns—the heavy thing
Would only hurt my head."

Sing ho! For our George Washington! (At last I've got it straight.)
The first in war, the first in peace,
The goodly and the great.
But, when you think about him now,
From here to Valley Forge,
Remember this—he might have been
A highly different specimen,
And, where on earth would we be, then?
I'm glad that George was George.

## AIN'T I A WOMAN? by Sojourner Truth

### Delivered 1851 at the Women's Convention in Akron, Ohio

Well, children, where there is so much racket there must be something out of kilter. I think that 'twixt the negroes of the South and the women at the North, all talking about rights, the white men will be in a fix pretty soon. But what's all this here talking about? That man over there says that women need to be helped into carriages, and lifted over ditches, and to have the best place everywhere. Nobody ever helps me into carriages, or over mud-puddles, or gives me any best place! And ain't I a woman? Look at me! Look at my arm! I have ploughed and planted, and gathered into barns, and no man could head me! And ain't I a woman? I could work as much and eat as much as a man - when I could get it - and bear the lash as well! And ain't I a woman? I have borne thirteen children, and seen most all sold off to slavery, and when I cried out with my mother's grief, none but Jesus heard me! And ain't I a woman?

Then they talk about this thing in the head; what's this they call it? [member of audience whispers, "intellect"] That's it, honey. What's that got to do with women's rights or negroes' rights? If my cup won't hold but a pint, and yours holds a quart, wouldn't you be mean not to let me have my little half measure full?

Then that little man in black there, he says women can't have as much rights as men, 'cause Christ wasn't a woman! Where did your Christ come from? Where did your Christ come from? From God and a woman! Man had nothing to do with Him.

If the first woman God ever made was strong enough to turn the world upside down all alone, these women together ought to be able to turn it back, and get it right side up again! And now they is asking to do it, the men better let them.

Obliged to you for hearing me, and now old Sojourner ain't got nothing more to say.

### Patrick Henry St. John's Church, Richmond, Virginia

March 23, 1775. Give Me Liberty Or Give Me Death!"

MR. PRESIDENT: No man thinks more highly than I do of the patriotism, as well as abilities, of the very worthy gentlemen who have just addressed the House. But different men often see the same subject in different lights; and, therefore, I hope it will not be thought disrespectful to those gentlemen if, entertaining as I do, opinions of a character very opposite to theirs, I shall speak forth my sentiments freely, and without reserve. This is no time for ceremony. The question before the House is one of awful moment to this country. For my own part, I consider it as nothing less than a question of freedom or slavery; and in proportion to the magnitude of the subject ought to be the freedom of the debate. It is only in this way that we can hope to arrive at truth, and fulfil the great responsibility which we hold to God and our country. Should I keep back my opinions at such a time, through fear of giving offence, I should consider myself as guilty of treason towards my country, and of an act of disloyalty toward the majesty of heaven, which I revere above all earthly kings.

Mr. President, it is natural to man to indulge in the illusions of hope. We are apt to shut our eyes against a painful truth, and listen to the song of that siren till she transforms us into beasts. Is this the part of wise men, engaged in a great and arduous struggle for liberty? Are we disposed to be of the number of those who, having eyes, see not, and, having ears, hear not, the things which so nearly concern their temporal salvation? For my part, whatever anguish of spirit it may cost, I am willing to know the whole truth; to know the worst, and to provide for it.

I have but one lamp by which my feet are guided; and that is the lamp of experience. I know of no way of judging of the future but by the past. And judging by the past, I wish to know what there has been in the conduct of the British ministry for the last ten years, to justify those hopes with which gentlemen have been pleased to solace themselves, and the House? Is it that insidious smile with which our petition has been lately received? Trust it not, sir; it will prove a snare to your feet. Suffer not yourselves to be betrayed with a kiss. Ask yourselves how this gracious reception of our petition comports with these war-like preparations which cover our waters and darken our land. Are fleets and armies necessary to a work of love and reconciliation? Have we shown ourselves so unwilling to be reconciled, that force must be called in to win back our love? Let us not deceive ourselves, sir. These are the implements of war and subjugation; the last arguments to which kings resort. I ask, gentlemen, sir, what means this martial array, if its purpose be not to force us to submission? Can gentlemen assign any other possible motive for it? Has Great Britain any enemy, in this quarter of the world, to call for all this accumulation of navies and armies? No, sir, she has none. They are meant for us; they can be meant for no other. They are sent over to bind and rivet upon us those chains which the British ministry have been so long forging. And what have we to oppose to them? Shall we try argument? Sir, we have been trying that for the last ten years. Have we anything new to offer upon the subject? Nothing. We have held the subject up in every light of which it is capable; but it has been all in vain. Shall we resort to entreaty and humble supplication? What terms shall we find which have not been already exhausted? Let us not, I beseech you, sir, deceive ourselves. Sir, we have done everything that could be done, to avert the storm which is now coming on. We have petitioned; we have remonstrated; we have supplicated; we have prostrated ourselves before the throne, and have implored its interposition to arrest the tyrannical hands of the ministry and Parliament. Our petitions have been slighted; our remonstrances have produced additional violence and insult; our supplications have been disregarded; and we have been spurned, with contempt, from the foot of the throne. In vain, after these things, may we include the fond hope of peace and reconciliation. There is no longer any room for hope. If we wish to be free<sup>2</sup> if we mean to preserve inviolate those inestimable privileges for which we have been so long contending<sup>2</sup> if we mean not basely to abandon the noble struggle in which we have been so long engaged, and which we have pledged ourselves never to abandon until the glorious object of our contest shall be obtained, we must fight! I repeat it, sir, we must fight! An appeal to arms and to the God of Hosts is all that is left us!

They tell us, sir, that we are weak; unable to cope with so formidable an adversary. But when shall we be stronger? Will it be the next week, or the next year? Will it be when we are totally disarmed, and when a British guard shall be stationed in every house? Shall we gather strength by irresolution and inaction? Shall we acquire the means of effectual resistance, by lying supinely on our backs, and hugging the delusive phantom of hope, until our enemies shall have bound us hand and foot? Sir, we are not weak if we make a proper use of those means which the God of nature hath placed in our power. Three millions of people, armed in the holy cause of liberty, and in such a country as that which we possess, are invincible by any force which our enemy can send against us. Besides, sir, we shall not fight our battles alone. There is a just God who presides over the destinies of nations; and who will raise up friends to fight our battles for us. The battle, sir, is not to the strong alone; it is to the vigilant, the active, the brave. Besides, sir, we have no election. If we were base enough to desire it, it is now too late to retire from the contest. There is no retreat but in submission and slavery! Our chains are forged! Their clanking may be heard on the plains of Boston! The war is inevitable²and let it come! I repeat it, sir, let it come. It is in vain, sir, to extenuate the matter. Gentlemen may cry, Peace, Peace²but there is no peace. The war is actually begun! The next gale that sweeps from the north will bring to our ears the clash of resounding arms! Our brethren are already in the field! Why stand we here idle? What is it that gentlemen wish? What would they have? Is life

bring to our ears the clash of resounding arms! Our brethren are already in the field! Why stand we here idle? What is it that gentlemen wish? What would they have? Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!

### **Unit 5- Addendum E**

### **Indian Names**

by Lydia Howard Huntley Sigourney

Ye shall say they all have passed away, That noble race and brave, That their light canoes have vanish'd From off the crested wave. That 'mid the forests where they roam'd There rings no hunter's shout: But their name is on your waters, Ye may not wash it out. 'Tis where Ontario's billow Like Ocean's surge is curled; Where strong Niagara's thunders wake The echo of the world: Where red Missouri bringeth Rich tributes from the west. And Rappahannock sweetly sleeps On green Virginia's breast. Ye say, their cone-like cabins. That cluster'd o'er the vale. Have fled away like wither'd leaves Before the autumn gale: But their memory liveth on your hills, Their baptism on your shore; Your everlasting rivers speak Their dialect of yore. Old Massachusetts wears it Within her lordly crown, And broad Ohio bears it 'mid all her young renown; Connecticut hath wreathed it Where her quiet foliage waves, And bold Kentucky breathed it hoarse Through all her ancient caves. Wachuset hides its lingering voice Within its rocky heart, And Alleghany graves its tone Throughout his lofty chart: Monadnock on his forehead hoar Doth seal the sacred trust: Your mountains build their monument, Though ye destroy their dust

### A Pizza the Size of the Sun by Jack Prelutsky

I'm making a pizza the size of the sun, a pizza that's sure to weigh more than a ton, a pizza too massive to pick up and toss, a pizza resplendent with oceans of sauce. I'm topping my pizza with mountains of cheese, with acres of peppers, pimentos, and peas, with mushrooms, tomatoes, and sausage galore, with every last olive they had at the store. My pizza is sure to be one of a kind, my pizza will leave other pizzas behind, my pizza will be a delectable treat that all who love pizza are welcome to eat. The oven is hot, I believe it will take a year and a half for my pizza to bake. I hardly can wait till my pizza is done, my wonderful pizza the size of the sun.

## **Unit 6- Addendum F**

### Why Dragons?

~ © 1993 by Jane Yolen

The smoke still hangs heavily over the meadow, Circling down from the mouth of the cave, While kneeling in prayer, full armored and haloed, The lone knight is feeling uncertainly brave.

The promise of victory sung in the churches, Is hardly a murmur out here in the air. All that he hears is the thud of this faint heart Echoing growls of the beast in its lair. The steel of his armor would flash in the sunlight, Except that the smoke has quite hidden the sky. The red of the cross on his breast should sustain him. Except - he suspects - it's a perfect bull's-eye. The folk of the village who bet on the outcome Have somehow all fled from the scene in dismay. They'll likely return in a fortnight or longer, He doubts that they'll be of much help on this day. And then - with a scream - the fell beast of the cavern Flings its foul body full out of the cave. The knight forgets prayers and churches and haloes And tries to remember just how to be brave. The webs on the wings of the dragon are reddened, With blood or with sunlight, the knight is not sure. The head of the beast is a silver-toothed nightmare, Its tongue drips a poison for which there's no cure. He thrusts his sword and he pokes with his gauntlets, He knees with he poleyn, kicks out with his greave. He'd happily give all the gold in his pocket If only the dragon would quietly leave. There's smoke and there's fire, there's wind and there's growling. There's screams from the knights, and his sobs and his cries. And when the smoke clears, there's the sound of dry heaving As one of the two of them messily dies. Of course it's the knight who has won this hard battle, Who wins in a poem beaten out on a forge Of human devising and human invention. BUT:

If there's no dragon - then there's no Saint George.

### Robin Hood and Little John: Introduction

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This ballad was printed by Child from a text in a 1723 London anthology, *A Collection of Old Ballads*; he later found a copy printed by W. Onley in London in 1680-85 (V, p. 297); this text is followed here. As with *Robin Hood and the Curtal Friar* and *The Jolly Pinder of Wakefield*, there is clear evidence of the much earlier existence of this story. A play called *Robin Hood and Little John* was registered in 1594 but has not survived, and there was another from 1640, though they may of course have been general dramas based on sources like the *Gest* or even *Robin Hood and the Monk*. A ballad with this title was registered in 1624, and that date is quite possible for the original version of this text. Dobson and Taylor (1976, p. 165) suggest that it has "every sign of having been produced by a professional ballad writer" with the intention of explaining how Little John came by his name and, long ago, joined the outlaw band: this would be one of the "prequels" like *Robin Hood's Progress to Nottingham* and *Robin Hood and Will Scarlet* which exploit and rationalize an existing tradition about a character.

Child describes the ballad as having "a rank seventeenth century style" (III, 133), and its language and technique suggest something rather later than the 1624 date when the title at least was in existence, having in particular the internal rhyme in the third line which is shared by most commercial Robin Hood ballads of the later seventeenth and eighteenth century. Child is convinced that all these ballads had the same tune, that of *Arthur a Bland* or *Robin Hood and the Tanner*. The rhymes and meter are, compared to earlier ballads, suspiciously smooth, and the language, which Dobson and Taylor found "very bathetic" (1976, p. 166), bears traces of the hack-writer's inkwell: *passionate fury and eyre*, line 71; *I prithee*, line 78; *accoutrements*, line 106; *And did in this manner proceed*, line 129; and, most remarkably, when the outlaws leave their entertainments it says the whole train the grove did refrain, line 152.

Nevertheless, this is a classic "Robin Hood meets his match" ballad, and bogus as some of it may be, there is a sign that the language and mannerisms grow more elaborate as the text proceeds, and there could be an earlier plainer ballad embedded in this one, signs of which may appear in lines 1-9, 26-33, 58-73 (except 71), 86-89, 94-113 (except 106), 118-27. Commercial as it may be, this ballad still outlines a focus of solidarity and tricksterism, presenting a central event in the myth which has remained dear, even obsessive, in the hearts of theatrical and film redactors over the centuries. In Hollywood, the same actor (Alan Hale) played Little John in 1922, 1938 and 1946, always with the same enduring portrayal of the ballad.

#### Go To Robin Hood and Little John

### Robin Hood and Little John

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When Robin Hood was about twenty years old, With a hey down, down, and a down He happen'd to meet Little John, A jolly brisk blade, right fit for the trade,

<u>(see note)</u> voung man

5 For he was a lusty young man.

Though he was call'd Little, his limbs they were large, And his stature was seven foot high; Whereever he came, they quak'd at his name, For soon he wou'd make them to flie.

How they came acquainted, I'll tell you in brief, If you will but listen a while;
For this very jest, amongst all the rest, I think it may cause you to smile.

(see note)

Bold Robin Hood said to his jolly bowmen,
"Pray tarry you here in this grove;
And see that you all observe well my call,
While thorough the forest I rove.

"We have had no sport for these fourteen long days, Therefore now abroad will I go;

Now should I be beat, and cannot retreat, My horn I will presently blow."

at once

God be with you (goodbye)

Then did he shake hands with his merry men all, And bid them at present good by;

Then, as near a brook his journey he took,

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25 A stranger he chanc'd to espy. (see note)

They happen'd to meet on a long narrow bridge, And neither of them wou'd give way; Quoth bold Robin Hood, and sturdily stood, "I'll show you right Nottingham play."

true

30 With that from his quiver an arrow he drew, A broad arrow with a goose-wing:
The stranger replyd, "I'll licker thy hide,
If thou offer to touch the string."

tan (beat)

Quoth bold Robin Hood, "Thou dost prate like an ass, 35 For were I to bend but my bow, I could send a dart quite through thy proud heart, Before thou couldst strike me one blow."

"You talk like a coward," the stranger reply'd;
"Well arm'd with a long bow you stand,
To shoot at my breast, while I, I protest,

To shoot at my breast, while I, I protest, Have naught but a staff in my hand."

nothing

"The name of a coward," quoth Robin, "I scorn, Wherefore my long bow I'll lay by; And now, for thy sake, a staff will I take,

45 The truth of thy manhood to try."

Then Robin Hood stept to a thicket of trees, And chose him a staff of ground oak; Now this being done, away he did run To the stranger and merrily spoke:

oak sapling

50 "Lo! see my staff; it is lusty and tough, Now here on the bridge we will play; Whoever falls in, the other shall win The battle, and so we'll away." (see note)

"With all my whole heart to thy humor I yield,
I scorn in the least to give out."
This said, they fell to't without more dispute,
And their staffs they did flourish about.

(see note)

And first Robin he gave the stranger a bang, So hard that it made his bones ring:

The stranger he said, "This must be repaid; I'll give you as good as you bring.

"So long as I am able to handle my staff, To die in your debt, friend, I scorn."

Then to it both goes, and follow'd their blows, As if they'd been thrashing of corn.

(see note) (see note)

The stranger gave Robin a crack on the crown, Which caused the blood to appear; Then Robin, enrag'd, more fiercely engag'd, And follow'd his blows more severe.

70 So thick and so fast did he lay it on him, With a passionate fury and eyre, At every stroke he made him to smoke, As if he had been all on a fire.

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(see note)

O then into a fury the stranger he grew
And gave him a damnable look,
And with it a blow that laid him full low
And tumbl'd him into the brook.

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"I prithee, good fellow, O where art thou now?" The stranger in laughter he cry'd; Quoth bold Robin Hood, "Good faith, in the flood, And floting along with the tide.

"I needs must acknowledge thou art a brave soul; With thee I'll no longer contend; For needs must I say, thou hast got the day, Our battle shall be at an end."

Then, then, to the bank he did presently wade, And pull'd himself out by a thorn; Which done, at the last, he blow'd a loud blast Straitways on his fine bugle-horn. (see note)

90 The eccho of which through the vallies did flie, At which his stout bowmen appear'd, All cloathed in green, most gay, to be seen; So up to their master they steer'd.

"O what's the matter?" quoth William Stutely,
"Good master, you are wet to the skin."
"No matter," quoth he, "the lad which you see,
In fighting he tumbl'd me in."

"He shall not go scot free," the others reply'd;1 So straight they were seising him there,

straightaway

100 To duck him likewise, but Robin Hood cries. "He is a stout fellow, forbear.

> "There's no one shall wrong thee, friend, be not afraid; These bowmen upon me do wait: attend

There's threescore and nine; if thou wilt be mine,

105 Thou shalt have my livery strait.

"And other accoutrements fit for my train, Speak up, jolly blade, ne'r fear; I'll teach thee also the use of the bow. To shoot at the fat fallow-deer."

(see note)

"O here is my hand," the stranger reply'd, "I'll serve you with all my whole heart; My name is John Little, a man of good mettle; Ne'r doubt me, for I'll play my part."

"His name shall be alter'd," quoth William Stutely,

(see note)

extremely

115 "And I will his godfather be; Prepare then a feast, and none of the least, For we will be merry," quoth he.

> They presently fetch'd in a brace of fat does, With humming strong liquor likewise;

120 They lov'd what was good, so in the greenwood,

This pritty sweet babe they baptize.

He was, I must tell you, but seven foot high, And may be an ell in the waste;

A pritty sweet lad, much feasting they had;

forty-five inches

125 Bold Robin the christ'ning grac'd,

(see note)

With all his bowmen, which stood in a ring, And were of the Nottingham breed: Brave Stutely comes then, with seven yeomen, And did in this manner proceed:

"This infant was called John Little," quoth he, "Which name shall be changed anon; The words we'll transpose, so where-ever he goes, His name shall be call'd Little John."

They all with a shout made the elements ring,
So soon as the office was o're;
To feasting they went, with true merriment,
And tipl'd strong liquor gallore.

galore (in plenty)

Then Robin he took the pritty sweet babe,
And cloath'd him from top to the toe

140 In garments of green, most gay to be seen,
And gave him a curious long bow.

"Thou shalt be an archer as well as the best, And range in the green wood with us; Where we'll not want gold nor silver, behold, 145 While bishops have ought in their purse.

(see note)

"We live here like esquires, or lords of renown, Without e're a foot of free land; We feast on good cheer, with wine, ale and beer, And ev'ry thing at our command."

(see note) ever

150 Then musick and dancing did finish the day At length when the sun waxed low, Then all the whole train the grove did refrain, And unto their caves they did go.

grew

<u>(see note)</u>

And so ever after, as long as he liv'd,
155 Although he was proper and tall,
Yet nevertheless, the truth to express,
Still Little John they did him call.

Always

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This ballad appears only once, in a broadside ballad collected by Wood which may well be post-Restoration. Much about this ballad suggests that it was deliberately constructed to add an element to the Robin Hood tradition. It is the only ballad where Maid Marian plays a part; she is briefly mentioned in *Robin Hood and Queen Catherin* and *Robin Hood's Golden Prize*. The diction seems characteristic of popular literary style (*gallant dame*, line 5; *Perplexed and vexed*, line 30; a shaded bower, line 63), while also having a distinctly broadside element (*With finger in eye, shee often did cry*, line 28; *With kind imbraces, and jobbing of faces*, line 56). The internal rhyme in the third line indicates a late and popular production. Commentators have been severe on the ballad. Child calls it "this foolish ditty" (III, 218), while Dobson and Taylor speak of its "complete lack of literary merit" and call it an "extreme and implausible attempt" to combine Robin the lover and fighter (1976, p. 176). The events of the ballad had already been foreshadowed in Munday's play, where Matilda Fitzwater goes to the forest, becoming Marian in the process, to meet the Earl of Huntington, alias Robin Hood. The popularity of Robin Hood ballads was so great that several of these "prequels" seem to have been produced, as in *Robin Hood's Progress to Nottingham* and *Robin Hood and Little John*.

Structurally the interesting thing about *Robin Hood and Maid Marian* is that it shows the only credible way to join the outlaw band is to fight a draw with the leader: this is a "Robin Hood meets his match" ballad in a wider sense than usual. Foolish as commentators have found it, the notion of the hero's fight with his lover is a potent one, whether it testifies to the woman's possible martial skill, or the enormity of mistreating woman, or both at once. Found in the recent film *Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves* (1991), the motif is here taken quite seriously, down to the length of the fight and the sight of blood, however improbable it may be that Marian does not hear Robin's voice until he asks for respite (line 50).

Robin Hood and Maid Marian clearly shows the gentrification process finding its way into the popular genres, but it does not seem to have been very popular, never appearing in the garlands and very little referred to or reworked even after Ritson made it well known.

#### Go To Robin Hood and Maid Marian

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A bonny fine maid of a noble degree, With a hey down down a down down Maid Marian calld by name, Did live in the North, of excellent worth,

(see note)

5 For she was a gallant dame.

For favour and face, and beauty most rare, Queen Hellen shee did excell; For Marian then was praisd of all men That did in the country dwell.

'Twas neither Rosamond nor Jane Shore, Whose beauty was clear and bright, That could surpass this country lass, Beloved of lord and knight.

(see note)

The Earl of Huntington, nobly born,

(see note)

15 That came of noble blood,
To Marian went, with a good intent,
By the name of Robin Hood.

With kisses sweet their red lips meet, For shee and the earl did agree; 20 In every place, they kindly imbrace, With love and sweet unity.

> But fortune bearing these lovers a spight, That soon they were forced to part;

dislike

To the merry green wood then went Robin Hood,

(see note)

25 With a sad and sorrowfull heart.

And Marian, poor soul, was troubled in mind, For the absence of her friend; With finger in eye, shee often did cry, And his person did much comend.

Perplexed and vexed, and troubled in mind, Shee drest her self like a page, And ranged the wood to find Robin Hood, The bravest of men in that age.

With quiver and bow, sword, buckler, and all,

(see note)

35 Thus armed was Marian most bold, Still wandering about to find Robin out, Whose person was better then gold.

But Robin Hood, hee, himself had disguisd,

(see note)

And Marian was strangly attir'd,

That they provd foes, and so fell to blowes, Whose vallour bold Robin admir'd.

They drew out their swords, and to cutting they went, At least an hour or more, That the blood ran apace from bold Robins face,

45 And Marian was wounded sore.

"O hold thy hand, hold thy hand," said Robin Hood,
"And thou shalt be one of my string,
To range in the wood with bold Robin Hood,
To hear the sweet nightingall sing."

When Marian did hear the voice of her love, Her self shee did quickly discover, And with kisses sweet she did him greet, Like to a most loyall lover.

reveal

When bold Robin Hood his Marian did see, Good lord, what clipping was there! With kind imbraces, and jobbing of faces, Providing of gallant cheer.

embracing thrusting

For Little John took his bow in his hand, And wandring in the wood, 60 To kill the deer, and make good chear,

60 To kill the deer, and make good chear For Marian and Robin Hood.

A stately banquet they had full soon,

(see note)

All in a shaded bower,
Where venison sweet they had to eat,
65 And were merry that present hour.

Great flaggons of wine were set on the board, And merrily they drunk round Their boules of sack, to strengthen the back, Whilst their knees did touch the ground.

sack (dry white wine)

70 First Robin Hood began a health
To Marian his onely dear,
And his yeomen all, both comly and tall,
Did quickly bring up the rear.

For in a brave veine they tost off the bouls,
Whilst thus they did remain,
And every cup, as they drunk up,
They filled with speed again.

At last they ended their merryment, And went to walk in the wood, 80 Where Little John and Maid Marian Attended on bold Robin Hood.

In sollid content together they livd,
With all their yeomen gay;
They livd by their hands, without any lands,
85 And so they did many a day.

But now to conclude, an end I will make In time, as I think it good, For the people that dwell in the North can tell

Of Marian and bold Robin Hood.

manner; (see note)

(see note)