

PLANNED COURSE OF STUDY

Course TitleEnglish Language Arts – Fourth Grade		
Grade Level	Fourth	
Content Area / Dept.	ELA	
Length of Course	One Year	
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Course Description:

Fourth grade students accurately read and understand literature and informational text. They can read aloud with fluency and expression. They use evidence from a text to support their thinking. Fourth graders use correct grammar, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing. They can plan and deliver a presentation about a story or experience.

Course Rationale:

Fourth Grade English Language Arts (ELA) is the active involvement of students demonstrating that they can communicate effectively through speaking, listening, reading and writing. These skills will enable the students to develop competence in evaluating written, visual, and oral communication from a variety of sources.

The purpose of Fourth Grade English Language Arts is to provide an opportunity for the students to experience a variety of texts and to use effective speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills as tools to communicate in daily living.



Philosophy of English Language Arts in Elementary

The School District of Springfield Township has adopted a Comprehensive Balanced Literacy Framework for teaching literacy in the elementary grades. Guiding students toward proficient and lifelong reading is the goal of the district. The components of a Comprehensive Balanced Literacy Framework outlined below, comprise the core instructional program.

What is Balanced Literacy?

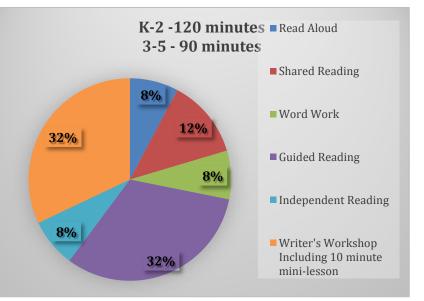
The Balanced Literacy Framework is based on the Gradual Release of Responsibility model based on Vygotsky's research. The framework is taught from the ideology of "*I do, We do, You do.*" This pedagogical approach encourages every student to become independent readers and writers.

The district has adopted *The Journeys Program* by HMHC and the Fountas and Pinnell *Continuum of Literacy Learning as the vehicle* to teach the strategies and skills in the Comprehensive Balanced Literacy Framework. These programs provide the instructional resources designed to meet the many instructional achievement levels of our students. Not all the components of the Journeys program are used, but rather, the teachers make instructional decisions based on the continued monitoring of their students' instructional needs. A brief description of The Balanced Literacy Framework components and the Journeys resources that correspond to each piece is provided below. The chart below indicates the approximate amount of time on average that would be devoted to the balanced literacy components. Keep in mind that the amount of time on a given day may

change based on a variety of factors.

The Components of the Balanced Literacy Framework include:

- Read Aloud (8%)
- Shared Reading (12%)
- Word Work (8%)
- Guided Reading (32%)
- Independent Reading and Writing (8%)
- Writer's Workshop (32%)





Read Aloud (I Do)

The interactive read aloud engages the students in actively discussing a text during the reading to deepen comprehension through discourse and active thinking. As the program unfolds, students learn to appreciate literature and develop a love for reading. The Read Aloud provides the students the opportunity to listen to age appropriate text in a variety of genres. It serves as an important vehicle for text-talk, extension of students' ability to think critically while practicing their metacognitive reading comprehension practices.

Shared Reading/Performance Reading (We Do)

Shared reading goes beyond the interactive read-aloud. Students reread the text with teacher support over the course of a few days. The students go beyond active listening and discussion by participating in the reading in some way. It can be called performance reading as well. The goal of shared reading is increased fluency leading to higher levels of comprehension.

Guided Reading/Literature Circle or Book Clubs (We Do)

Guided Reading is the core of the reading program. It is the ability for students to work with the strategies and concepts introduced during the whole class instruction. The goal is to help the children through the process of becoming independent readers. When planning, it is important to schedule this time to maintain the integrity of a balanced literacy approach. The other students are working in book clubs, literature centers or a must do activity.

Word Work (We Do)

Word Study is an approach to spelling instruction that moves away from memorization. In this approach, teachers use a variety of hands-on activities to explore layers of information. Students study patterns and meanings of words and how they relate to our systems of reading and writing.

It includes the following:

- Phonemic Awareness
- Phonics
- Structural Analysis
- Word Study lessons are used to support decoding, encoding and vocabulary development.
- **Vocabulary** lessons must include text and content vocabulary, as well as, academic vocabulary.



Independent Reading and Writing (You Do)

Students write independently. This allows time for students to work through the process of writing while the teacher conferences with other students to individualize their growth in the newly gained skills.

<u>Guided/Interactive Writing</u> (We Do)

The elementary program uses the Writer's Workshop Model of teaching writing. In this model, the focus is on writers rather than the process. The instruction from the teachers is to use the writing process to get pieces ready for publication. Students should also have practice on all aspects of writing including "quick writes," writing responses in all content areas, process writing and writing on demand. All steps of the writing process need not be completed for each writing piece. Required published pieces are listed below and are based on the Journeys' themes. These formats include opinion/argument, informational, and narrative modes. The teacher may also supplement poetry, technology/web-based pieces, advertisement, etc.



Month		Lessons	Topics
September	4 weeks	1-3	Story Structure, Author's Purpose, Cause and Effect
October	4 weeks	4-7	Theme, Understanding Characters, Story Structure, Fact and Opinion
November	3 weeks	8-9	Understanding Characters, Conclusions and Generalizations
December	3 weeks	10-12	Author's Purpose, Text and Graphic Features, Sequence of Events
January	4 weeks	13-16	Sequence of Events, Text and Graphic Features, Main Idea and Supporting Details, Compare and Contrast
February	4 weeks	17-19	Sequence of Events, Story Structure, Conclusions and Generalizations
March	4 weeks	20-23	Main Idea and Supporting Details, Theme, Cause and Effect, Text and Graphic Features
April	4 weeks	PSSAs	
May	4 weeks	24-26	Compare and Contrast, Author's Purpose, Story Structure
June	2 weeks	27-30	Main Ideas and Supporting Details, Fact and Opinion, Understanding Characters, Conclusions and Generalizations



Lesson Topic	1- Helping Others
Essential Question	How do friends help each other?
Anchor Text	Because of Winn-Dixie (Realistic Fiction)
Paired Selection	Because of BookEnds (Informational text)

Standaras					
Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A		CC.1.1.4.A	CC.1.4.4	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.5.4.G
CC.1.3.4.C		CC.1.1.4.Eb	CC.1.4.4.F	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.B			CC.1.4.4.T		CC.1.4.3.I
CC.1.3.4.F			CC.1.4.4.S		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	The VCV Syllable Pattern		
	Fluency	Accuracy and Self-Correction		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Story Structure		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Summarize		
Strategies	Supporting Skills:	Point of View		
		Flashback		
Language	Vocabulary	Prefixes <i>re-, un-, dis-</i>		
	Strategies			
	Domain-Specific	citizen, resident, volunteer, public servant		
	Vocabulary Academic	comfort montion mood properly intends consisted		
	Vocabulary	comfort, mention, mood, properly, intends, consisted, positive, advanced, peculiar, talent		
	Grammar	What is a Sentence?		
Writing Writing Mode		Narrative Writing		
witting	Writing Form	Descriptive Paragraph		
	Focus Trait	Word Choice		
	Write about reading	Performance Task		
Speaking and	Read aloud	Sideline Support		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Sharing similar stories		
	Skill	How to have a Literature Discussion		
Spelling	Principle	Short <i>a</i> and Long <i>a</i>		
	Words	Basic: blade, gray, past, afraid, magic, delay, amaze,		
		drain, maybe, break, sale, hang, stain, glass, raft, jail,		



crayon, fact, stale, steak Review: skate, plan, chain, today, erase
Challenge: fraction, trait, champion, activity, graceful



Lesson Topic	2- Civil Rights
Essential Question	What might lead a person to change the world?
Anchor Text	My Brother Martin: A Sister Remembers Growing Up with the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther
	King Jr. (Biography)
Paired Selection	Langston Hughes: A Poet and a Dreamer (Poetry)

Reading Literature	Reading Informational Texts	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
CC.1.3.4.D CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.B CC.1.2.4.A CC.1.2.4.F CC.1.2.4.E CC.1.2.4.H CC.1.2.4.H CC.1.2.4.I	CC.1.1.4.D CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.A CC.1.4.4.B CC.1.4.4.C CC.1.4.4.M CC.1.4.4.T CC.1.4.4.T	CC.1.5.4.A CC.1.5.4.C	CC.1.4.4.L CC.1.4.3.K CC.1.2.4.J

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Open and Closed Syllables		
	Fluency	Phrasing: Pauses		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Author's Purpose		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Monitor/Clarify		
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Explain Historical Events		
		Idioms		
Language	Vocabulary	Prefixes in-, im-, il-, ir-		
	Strategies			
	Domain-Specific	abolish, disobedience, slavery, reform		
	Vocabulary			
	Academic	injustice, numerous, segregation, nourishing, captured,		
Vocabulary		dream, encounters, preferred, recall, example		
Grammar		Kinds of Sentences		
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing		
	Writing Form	Story		
	Focus Trait	Word Choice		
	Write about reading	Performance Task		
	Research/Media	Use Internet Sources		
	Literacy skills			
Speaking and	Read aloud	The Troublemaker Who Healed a Nation		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Listing text details		
	Skill	NA		



SpellingPrincipleShort <i>e</i> and Long <i>e</i>		Short <i>e</i> and Long <i>e</i>	
	Words	Basic: west, steep, member, gleam, fresh, freedom,	
		speed, steam, beast, believe, speck, kept, cheap, pretend	
		greed, shelf, least, eager, reason, chief	
		Review: sweet, smell, spent, treat, leave	
		Challenge: echo, menu, creature, reveal, restaurant	



Lesson Topic	3- Media
Essential Question	How are books and libraries important to people and communities?
Anchor Text	My Librarian Is a Camel (Informational Text)
Paired Selection	From Idea to Book (Informational text)

Reading Literature	Reading Informational Texts	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
CC.1.3.4.A CC.1.3.4.F	CC.1.2.4.E	CC.1.1.4.D CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4 CC.1.4.4.T CC.1.4.4.S	CC.1.5.4.A CC.1.5.4.D CC.1.5.4.E	CC.1.4.4.L CC.1.4.3.K CC.1.4.3.I

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	The VCCV Syllable Pattern		
	Fluency	Accuracy		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Cause and Effect		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Visualize		
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Interpret Visuals		
		Domain-Specific Vocabulary		
Language	Vocabulary	Using Context		
	Strategies			
	Domain-Specific	demographics, censorship, public domain, public		
	Vocabulary	opinion		
	Academic	isolated, virtual, devour, remote, impassable, access,		
	Vocabulary	obtain, preserve, extremes, avid		
	Grammar	Quotations		
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing		
	Writing Form	Dialogue		
	Focus Trait	Voice		
	Write about reading	Performance Task		
	Research/Media	Take Notes and Categorize Information		
	Literacy Skills			
Speaking and	Read aloud	Bridging the Gap		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Citing text evidence to support a		
		view		
	Skill	NA		
Spelling	Principle	Short <i>i</i> and Long <i>i</i>		
	Words	Basic: skill, crime, grind, tonight, brick, flight, live, chill,		



delight, build, ditch, decide, witness, wind, district, inch, sigh, fright, remind, split
Review: gift, tight, sight, blind, shiny Challenge: ignorant, recognize, advice, twilight, rigid



Lesson Topic	4- Raising Money
Essential Question	Why might people raise money for a cause?
Anchor Text	The Power of W.O.W.! (Play)
Paired Selection	The Kid's Guide to Money (Informational Text)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.C	CC.1.2.4.F	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.F	CC.1.5.4.B	
CC.1.3.4.F	CC.1.2.4.B		CC.1.4.4.T		
CC.1.3.4.E			CC.1.4.4.V		
CC.1.3.4.G			CC.1.4.4.W		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	VCV and VCCV Syllable Patterns		
	Fluency	Intonation		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Theme		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Analyze/Evaluate		
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Elements of Drama		
		Allusion		
Language	Vocabulary	Prefixes non-, mis-		
	Strategies			
	Domain-Specific	charity, coalition, involvement, community service		
	Vocabulary			
	Academic	assist, burglaries, innocent, scheme, regretfully,		
	Vocabulary	misjudged, suspect, favor, speculated, prior		
	Grammar	Fragments and Run-on Sentences		
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing		
	Writing Form	Fictional Narrative: Prewrite		
	Focus Trait	Ideas		
	Write about reading	Performance Task		
Speaking and	Read aloud	Bookmobile Rescue		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Sharing similar experiences		
	Skill	Recount an Experience		
Spelling	Principle	Short <i>o</i> and Long <i>oo</i>		
	Words	Basic: block, shown, oatmeal, wrote, fellow, scold, coast,		
		odd, locate, slope, throat, host, online, shock, solve,		



known, remote, stock, boast, globe Review: foam, shadow, clock, glow, coach Challenge: bonus, approach, motion, continent,
accomplish



Lesson Topic	5- Traditional Tales
Essential Question	Why do people pass down stories over the years?
Anchor Text	Stormalong (Tall Tale)
Paired Selection	Honderi the Fisherman (Play/Folk tale)

Standards					
Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A		CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.5.4.G
CC.1.3.4.C			CC.1.4.4.M	CC.1.5.4.C	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.B			CC.1.4.4.F		CC.1.4.3.K
CC.1.3.4.F			CC.1.4.4.T		CC.1.4.3.I
CC.1.3.4.E			CC.1.4.4.W		CC.1.2.4.J
CC.1.3.4.D			CC.1.4.4.S		
CC.1.3.4.H			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Homophones	
	Fluency	Expression	
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Understanding Characters	
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Infer/Predict	
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Hyperbole	
		Point of View	
Language	Vocabulary	Reference Materials	
	Strategies		
	Domain-Specific	lifestyle, tolerance, values, social rules	
	Vocabulary		
	Academic	yearning, memorable, betrayed, condition, seafaring,	
	Vocabulary	shortage, tidal, outcast, foaming, horrified	
	Grammar	Proper Nouns	
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing	
	Writing Form	Imaginative Story: Draft, Revise, Edit, Publish	
	Focus Trait	Organization	
	Write about reading	Performance Task	
Speaking and	Read aloud	Mighty Joe Magarac	
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Retelling	
	Skill	Literature Discussion	
Spelling	Principle	Homophones	



Words	Basic: wait, weight, heard, herd, days, daze, heel, heal, peak, peek, sent, cent, feet, feat, vain, vane, vein, miner, minor Review: it's, its, their, there, they're Challenge: raise, raze, rays, principal, principle
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Lesson Topic	6- Performance Arts
Essential Question	How are performances similar to and different from written stories?
Anchor Text	Invasion from Mars (Play)
Paired Selection	The History of Radio (informational Text)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.A	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.5.4.G
CC.1.3.4.F	CC.1.2.4.I	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.B	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.G	CC.1.2.4.B		CC.1.4.4.F		CC.1.4.3.K
CC.1.3.4.H			CC.1.4.4.T		
			CC.1.4.4.S		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Common Consonant Patterns: Digraphs		
	Fluency	Expression		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Story Structure		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Infer/Predict		
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Elements of Drama		
		Formal and Informal Language		
Language	Vocabulary	Suffixes – <i>y, -ous</i>		
	Strategies			
	Domain-Specific	broadcast, correspondent, journalism, public relations		
	Vocabulary			
	Academic	alarmed, reacted, convey, daring, awe, luminous,		
	Vocabulary	indescribable, extraordinary, fade, conferring		
	Grammar	Verbs		
Writing	Writing Mode	Informative Writing		
	Writing Form	News Report		
	Focus Trait	Ideas		
	Write about reading	Performance task		
Speaking and	Read aloud	The Tunguska Event		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Paraphrasing a particular part		
	Skill	Listen to a Recording		
Spelling	Principle	Vowel Sounds: short <i>u</i> and Long , /y <u>oo</u> /, / <u>oo</u> /		
	Words	Basic: bunch, fruit, argue, crumb, crew, tune, juice,		
		refuse, truth, young, clue, trunk, amuse, suit, rude, trust,		



dew, stuck, rescue, brush Review: drew, true, cube, Sunday, stuff Challenge: computer, mustard, tissue, customer,
attitude



Lesson Topic	7- Media
Essential Question	How are movies a form of communication?
Anchor Text	Coming Distractions: Questioning Movies (Informational Text)
Paired Selection	How Do They Do That? (Informational Text)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.G	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.A		CC.1.4.4.H	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.3.K
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.T		CC.1.4.3.I
	CC.1.2.4.G		CC.1.4.4.S		CC.1.2.4.J
	CC.1.2.4.B		CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Common Consonant Patterns: Clusters		
	Fluency	Phrasing: Punctuation		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Fact and Opinion		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Summarize		
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Explain Concepts and Ideas		
		Domain-Specific Vocabulary		
Language	Vocabulary	Greek and Latin Word Parts		
	Strategies	phon, photo, graph, auto, tele		
	Domain-Specific	studio, producer, release, manipulate		
	Vocabulary			
	Academic	entertaining, promote, focus, advertise, jolts, critics,		
	Vocabulary	target, thrilling, angles, generated		
Grammar		Verb Tenses		
Writing	Writing Mode	Informative Writing		
	Writing Form	Informational Paragraph		
	Focus Trait	Word Choice		
	Write about reading	Performance Task		
	Research/Media	Gather Relevant Information		
	Literacy Skills			
Speaking and	Read aloud	Steven Spielberg: A Filmmaker's Journey		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Identifying supporting reasons		
	Skill	NA		
Spelling	Principle	Vowel Sounds: / <u>oo</u> /, / oŏ /		



Words	Basic: bloom, cookbook, tool, shampoo, put, wool, stool, proof, prove, group, brook, foolish, bush, crooked, booth, raccoon, hook, groom, roof, soup Review: stood, spoon, shook, balloon, tooth Challenge: bulletin, cocoon, cushion, proofread, marooned
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Lesson Topic	8- Visual Arts
Essential Question	How do an artist's experiences affect his or her art?
Anchor Text	Me and Uncle Romie (Realistic Fiction)
Paired Selection	Sidewalk Artists (Readers' Theater)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A		CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.M	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.B		CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.T		CC.1.4.3.K
CC.1.3.4.F			CC.1.4.4.V		CC.1.2.4.J
CC.1.3.4.D			CC.1.4.4.W		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Stressed and Unstressed Syllables			
	Fluency	Stress			
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Understanding Characters			
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Visualize			
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Point of View			
		Theme			
Language	Vocabulary	Figurative Language			
	Strategies				
	Domain-Specific	craftsmanship, aesthetics, exhibition, representation			
	Vocabulary				
	Academic	glorious, studio, concerned, model, smeared, ruined,			
	Vocabulary	yanked, streak, schedule, feast			
	Grammar	Progressive Verb			
Writing	Writing Mode	Informative Writing			
	Writing Form	Book Report			
	Focus Trait	Organization			
	Write about reading	Performance Task			
Speaking and	Read aloud	Jazzy Jasmine			
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Telling similar stories			
	Skill	Hold a Literature Discussion			
Spelling	Principle	Vowel Sounds: /ou/, /ô /			
	Words	Basic: aloud, bald, hawk, south, faucet, proud, claw,			
		tower, stalk, couple, howl, false, dawn, allow, drown,			
		pause, fault, cause, amount, cloudier			



Review: awful, power, sound, almost, thousand
Challenge: applaud, foul, browse, gnaw, doubt



Lesson Topic	9- Research
Essential Question	What are some different ways to do research?
Anchor Text	Dear Mr. Winston (Realistic fiction)
Paired Selection	Field Guide to Snakes of the Southwest (Informational Text)

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Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.G	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.G	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.B	CC.1.2.4.I	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.H	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.3.I
CC.1.3.4.F			CC.1.4.4.F		
CC.1.3.4.K			CC.1.4.4.T		
			CC.1.4.4.V		
			CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.S		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Common Beginning Syllables
	Fluency	Accuracy
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Conclusions and Generalizations
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Question
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Understanding Characters
		Humor
Language	Vocabulary	Antonyms
	Strategies	
	Domain-Specific	reference material, database, retrieval, bibliography
	Vocabulary	
	Academic	fault, borrow, reference, fainted, genuine, local,
	Vocabulary	apologize, proof, slimy, insisted
	Grammar	Compound and Complex Sentences
Writing	Writing Mode	Informational Writing
	Writing Form	Explanatory Essay: Prewrite
	Focus Trait	Organization
	Write about reading	Performance Task
	Research/Media	Investigate a Topic
	Literacy Skills	
Speaking and	Read aloud	Is Sasquatch Out There?
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Identifying text evidence



	Skill	NA
Spelling	Principle	Vowel +/r/ Sounds
	Words	Basic: spark, prepare, cheer, tear, scarf, scare, repair, earring, scarce, weird, sharp, rear, spare, gear, hairy, compare, alarm, harsh, upstairs, square Review: air, clear, large, pair, chair Challenge: weary, startle, appear, barnacle, awareness



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Lesson Topic10- Performance ArtsEssential QuestionWhat does it take to be a great performer?Anchor TextJosé! Born to Dance (Biography)Paired SelectionDance to the Beat (Poetry)

Standards

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.G	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.5.4.G
CC.1.3.4.B	CC.1.2.4.F	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.H	CC.1.5.4.B	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.E	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.I	CC.1.5.4.C	CC.1.4.3.K
CC.1.3.4.G	CC.1.2.4.I		CC.1.4.4.F	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.2.4.J
			CC.1.4.4.T	CC.1.5.4.E	
			CC.1.4.4.V		
			CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.S		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

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Foundation	Decoding	Vowel + <i>r</i> in Multi-Syllable Words
	Fluency	Intonation
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Author's Purpose
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Analyze/Evaluate
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Simile and Metaphor
		Genre: Biography
Language	Vocabulary	Shades of Meaning
	Strategies	
	Domain-Specific	choreography, dynamic, intermission, troupe
	Vocabulary	
	Academic	debut, stubborn, permission, hauling, mournful,
	Vocabulary	towered, triumph, discouraged, toured, border
	Grammar	Pronouns
Writing	Writing Mode	Informational Writing
	Writing Form	Explanatory Essay: Draft, Revise, Edit, Publish
	Focus Trait	Word Choice
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	Mexican Dove



Listening	Speaking/Listening: Paraphrasing a particular pa	
	Skill	Recount an Experience
Spelling	Principle	More Vowel + /r/ Sounds
	Words	Basic: learn, dirty, worn, sore, thirst, burn, record, cure,
		board, course, worth, early, return, pure, world, search,
		worse, thirteen, sport, current
		Review: first, hurt, work, third, storm
		Challenge: curious, thorough, earnest, portion, foreign



Lesson Topic	11- Hurricanes
Essential Question	What are the benefits of studying weather?
Anchor Text	Hurricanes: Earth's Mightiest Storms (Informational Text)
Paired Selection	Recovering from Katrina (Newspaper Article)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.E	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.G	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.H		CC.1.2.4.J
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.F		
			CC.1.4.4.T		
			CC.1.4.4.V		
			CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

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Foundation	Decoding	Compound Words
	Fluency	Phrasing: Punctuation
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Text and Graphic
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Infer/Predict
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Explain Scientific Ideas
		Text Structure
Language	Vocabulary	Suffixes –ful, -less, -ness, -ment
	Strategies	
	Domain-Specific	barometer, humidity, pressure, condensation
	Vocabulary	
	Academic	whirling, rapidly, condense, source, rotating, rage,
	Vocabulary	experience, ancient, predict, registered
	Grammar	Frequently Confused Words
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing
	Writing Form	Persuasive Paragraph
	Focus Trait	Ideas
	Write about reading	Performance Task
	Research/Media	Conduct a Research Project
	Literacy Skills	
Speaking and	Read aloud	The Big Storm
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Paraphrasing
	Skill	NA



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Spelling	Principle	Compound Words
	Words	Basic: somebody, fireplace, nearby, toothbrush,
		homesick, make-believe, anything, all right, goodbye,
		forehead, classmate, flashlight, haircut, twenty-two,
		driveway, alarm clock, baby-sit, airport, forever,
		mailbox
		Review: birthday, anyone, everything, without,
		sometimes
		Challenge: field trip, absent-minded, life jacket,
		skyscraper, nevertheless



Lesson Topic	12- Forces of Nature
Essential Question	How do natural disasters affect people?
Anchor Text	The Earth Dragon Awakes (Historical Fiction)
Paired Selection	Twisters (Informational Text)

Reading Literature	Reading Informational Texts	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
CC.1.3.4.A CC.1.3.4.B CC.1.3.4.F CC.1.3.4.D	CC.1.2.4.F CC.1.2.4.G CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.A CC.1.4.4.F CC.1.4.4.T CC.1.4.4.V CC.1.4.4.W CC.1.4.4.W CC.1.4.4.X	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L CC.1.4.3.I

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Base Words and Endings
	Fluency	Rate
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Sequence of Events
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Visualize
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Conclusions and Generalizations
		Author's Word Choice
Language	Vocabulary	Synonyms
	Strategies	
	Domain-Specific	core, crust, epicenter, landform, rock
	Vocabulary	
	Academic	trembles, wreckage, slab, possessions, tenement,
	Vocabulary	crushing, rubble, debris, timbers, constructed
	Grammar	Possessive Nouns
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing
	Writing Form	Problem-Solution Composition
	Focus Trait	Ideas
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	Safe from Harm
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Identify supporting reasons and
		evidence
	Skill	Paraphrase Information in Diverse Media
Spelling	Principle	Words with <i>-ed</i> , or <i>-ing</i>
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Words	Basic: rising, traced, stripped, slammed, dancing, striped, winning, snapping, bragging, handled, dripped, begged, dared, skipped, hitting, spotted, raced, dimmed, spinning, escaped Review: changing, joking, swimming, wrapped, tapping Challenge: urged, striving, whipped, breathing, quizzed
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Lesson Topic	13- Interdependence
Essential Question	How are the different parts of an ecosystem connected?
Anchor Text	Antarctic Journal: Four Months at the Bottom of the World (Narrative Nonfiction)
Paired Selection	Cold, Cold Science (Informational Text)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.G	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.T		CC.1.4.3.I
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.S		
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.X		
	CC.1.2.4.I				

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Recognizing Common Word Parts
	Fluency	Phrasing: Pauses
Comprehension Target Skill:		Sequence of Events
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Summarize
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Simile and Metaphor
		Domain-Specific Vocabulary
Language	Vocabulary	Greek and Latin Word Parts
	Strategies	spect, struct, tele, vis
	Domain-Specific	ecosystem, food web, energy, resource
	Vocabulary	
	Academic	display, alert, weariness, fractured, standards, vision,
	Vocabulary	huddle, graceful, stranded, concluded
	Grammar	Modal Auxiliaries
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing
	Writing Form	Persuasive Letter
	Focus Trait	Voice
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	On My Way to Meet the Khan: Excerpts from Marco
Listening		Polo's Adventures
		Speaking/Listening: Discussing the text, reviewing
		key ideas
	Skill	Discuss to Compare and Contrast Accounts
Spelling	Principle	More Words with <i>–ed</i> or <i>-ing</i>



Words	Basic: wiped, covered, mapped, pleasing, slipped, putting, traveled, seeking, visiting, mixed, shipped, phoning, offered, smelling, hiking, checking, fainted, landed, becoming, wandering Review: fixing, saving, stared, dropped, grinning Challenge: amusing, entertained, admitted, stunning, starving
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Lesson Topic	14- Insects
Essential Question	How do living things each have an important role in the world?
Anchor Text	The Life and Times of the Ant (Informational Text)
Paired Selection	The Dove and the Ant (Fable/Traditional Tale)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.G	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.C	CC.1.2.4.C	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.H	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.2.4.J
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.F	CC.1.5.4.E	
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.T		
	CC.1.2.4.G		CC.1.4.4.V		
	CC.1.2.4.I		CC.1.4.4.W		
	CC.1.2.4.B		CC.1.4.4.S		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Recognizing Suffixes
	Fluency	Stress
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Text and Graphic Features
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Question
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Explain Scientific Concepts and Ideas
		Author's Purpose
Language	Vocabulary	Suffixes –able, -ible
	Strategies	
	Domain-Specific	arthropod, exoskeleton, larva, invertebrate
	Vocabulary	
Academic		social, exchanges, excess, reinforce, storage, transport,
	Vocabulary	chamber, scarce, obstacles, transfers
	Grammar	Participles
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing
	Writing Form	Persuasive Essay: Prewrite
	Focus Trait	Organization
	Write about reading	Performance Task
	Research/Media	Take Notes and Categorize Information
	Literacy Skills	
Speaking and	Read aloud	Wicked Wind
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Listen to make connections



	Skill	NA
Spelling	Principle	Final Long e
	Words	Basic: turkey, lonely, colony, steady, hungry, valley, hockey, starry, melody, movie, duty, drowsy, chimney, plenty, daily, alley, fifty, empty, injury, prairie Review: cherry, jelly, sticky, worry, curly Challenge: envy, fiery, mercy, discovery, mystery



Lesson Topic	15- The Environment	
Essential Question	Why is it important to be informed about what is happening in our world?	
Anchor Text	Ecology for Kids (Informational Text)	
Paired Selection	Wonderful Weather: "Fog," "Weather," "Umbrella," "Spring Rain," and "Weatherbee's	
	Diner" (Poetry)	

Reading Literature	Reading Informational	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.E	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.G	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.5.4.G
	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.H	CC.1.5.4.B	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.C		CC.1.4.4.F	CC.1.5.4.C	CC.1.4.3.K
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.T	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.3.I
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.U		CC.1.2.4.J
	CC.1.2.4.D		CC.1.4.4.W		
	CC.1.2.4.G		CC.1.4.4.S.b		
	СС.1.2.4.Н		CC.1.4.4.X		
	CC.1.2.4.I				

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Three-Syllable Words		
	Fluency	Expression		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Main Ideas and Details		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Monitor/Clarify		
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Author's Word Choice		
		Analyze an Argument		
Language	Vocabulary	Using Context		
	Strategies			
	Domain-Specific	conversation, extinction, endangered, erosion, climate		
	Vocabulary			
	Academic	organisms, directly, affect, traces, vast, habitats, variety,		
	Vocabulary	species, banned, radiation		
	Grammar	Irregular Verbs		
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing		
	Writing Form	Persuasive Essay: Draft, Revise, Edit, Publish		
	Focus Trait	Ideas		
	Write about reading	Performance Task		
	Research/Media	Conduct a Research Project		
	Literacy Skills			



Speaking and	Read aloud	Forests Are Forever		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Summarize ideas		
	Skill	NA		
Spelling	Principle	Changing final <i>y</i> to <i>i</i>		
	Words	Basic: tiniest, hobbies, copied, countries, pitied, easier, laziest, families, spied, happiest, ladies, friendlier, studied, busier, breezier, prettiest, noisier, healthier,		
		butterflies, funniest		
		Review: hurried, stories, carried, pennies, babies		
		Challenge: heaviest, categories, communities,		
		multiplied, qualities		



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Lesson Topic16- Individual ContributionsEssential QuestionWhat traits do successful people have?Anchor TextRiding Freedom (Historical Fiction)Paired SelectionSpindletop (Informational Text)

Standards

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A		CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.C			CC.1.4.4.M	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.3.I
CC.1.3.4.B			CC.1.4.4.F		
CC.1.3.4.F			CC.1.4.4.T		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Sound/Spelling Changes	
	Fluency	Rate	
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Compare and Contrast	
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Monitor/Clarify	
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Personification	
		Genre: Historical Fiction	
Language	Vocabulary	Figurative Language	
	Strategies		
	Domain-Specific	frontier, pioneer, expansion, territory	
	Vocabulary		
	Academic	escorted, swelled, relied, reputation, worthy, churning,	
	Vocabulary	situation, deserve, defended, satisfied	
	Grammar	Adjectives	
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing	
	Writing Form	Descriptive Paragraph	
	Focus Trait	Ideas	
	Write about reading	Performance Task	
Speaking and	Read aloud	Getting the Story	
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Reviewing key ideas	
	Skill	Report on a Text	
Spelling	Principle	Spelling /k/, /ng/, and /kw/	
	Words	Basic: risky, track, topic, blank, question, pocket,	
		monkey, junk, equal, ache, public, attack, struck,	



earthquake, picnic, banker, electric, blanket, mistake, stomach
Review: quick, squeeze, shark, second, circus
Challenge: request, skeleton, peculiar, attic, reckless



Lesson Topic	17- Service Animals	
Essential Question	How do people and animals benefit each other?	
Anchor Text	<i>The Right Dog for the Job: Ira's Path from Service Dog to Guide Dog</i> (Narrative Nonfiction)	
Paired Selection	Knowing Noses: Search-and-Rescue Dogs (Informational Text)	

Reading Literature	Reading Informational	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
	Texts				
СС.1.3.4.Н	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.T	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.V	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.3.K
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.W	CC.1.5.4.F	
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	More Sound/Spelling Changes		
	Fluency	Intonation		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Sequence of Events		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Summarize		
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Main Idea and Details		
		Domain-Specific Vocabulary		
Language	Vocabulary	Suffixes –ion, -ation, -ition		
	Strategies			
	Domain-Specific	safety, well-being, lifestyle, precaution		
	Vocabulary			
	Academic	reward, graduate, symbol, foster, disobey, confidence,		
	Vocabulary	patiently, confesses, ceremony, performs		
Grammar		Adverbs		
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing		
	Writing Form	Friendly Letter		
	Focus Trait	Voice		
	Write about reading	Performance Task		
Speaking and	Read aloud	Let Me Be Brave		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Paraphrasing		
	Skill	Literature Discussion		
Spelling	Principle	Words with Final /j/ and /s/		
	Words	Basic: glance, judge, damage, package, twice, stage,		
		carriage, since, practice, marriage, baggage, office,		



	message, bridge, chance, notice, ridge, manage, palace, bandage
	Review: once, dance, change, age, bounce
	Challenge: fringe, average, fleece, fragrance, excellence



Lesson Topic	18- Traditional Tales
Essential Question	What makes a character memorable?
Anchor Text	Hercules' Quest (Myth)
Paired Selection	Zomo's Friends (Folktale)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.5.4.G
CC.1.3.4.B	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.M	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.F			CC.1.4.4.T		CC.1.4.3.K
CC.1.3.4.D			CC.1.4.4.V		CC.1.4.3.I
			CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Recognizing Prefixes re-, un-, dis-
i oundution	Fluency	Accuracy and Self-Correction
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Story Structure
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Question
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Theme
		Allusion
Language	Vocabulary	Adages and Proverbs
	Strategies	
	Domain-Specific	legacy, mythology, tradition, quest
	Vocabulary	
	Academic	acquire, unfortunate, coerce, boasted, beamed, glared,
	Vocabulary	ceased, declared, devised, resourceful
	Grammar	Prepositions and Prepositional Phrases
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing
	Writing Form	Story
	Focus Trait	Word Choice
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	Theseus and the Minotaur
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Paraphrasing
	Skill	Tell a Story
Spelling	Principle	Prefixes: <i>re-, un-, dis-</i>



Words	Basic: unused, refresh, dislike, replace, unpaid, redo, disorder, unplanned, distrust, rewind, untrue, unload, recall, displease, uneven, rebuild, restart, uncover, untidy, discolor Review: reuse, unfair, rewrite, unclear, untie Challenge: disband, rearrange, discontinue, refund, unusual
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Lesson Topic	19- Agriculture
Essential Question	Why is farming important?
Anchor Text	Harvesting Hope: The Story of Cesar Chavez (Biography)
Paired Selection	The Edible Schoolyard (Informational Text)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.F	CC.1.5.4.F	CC.1.4.3.I
	CC.1.2.4.C		CC.1.4.4.T		
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.W		
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.X		
	CC.1.2.4.G				
	CC.1.2.4.H				
	CC.1.2.4.I				

Focus Literacy Skills

V	rocus Literacy Skills					
Foundation	Decoding	More Common Suffixes				
	Fluency	Stress				
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Conclusions and Generalizations				
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Infer/Predict				
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Idioms				
		Problem and Solution				
Language	Vocabulary	Reference Materials				
	Strategies					
	Domain-Specific	agronomy, commerce, cultivate subsistence				
	Vocabulary					
	Academic	overcome, association, capitol, drought, dedicate,				
	Vocabulary	publicity, violence, conflicts, horizon, brilliant				
	Grammar	Relative Pronouns and Adverbs				
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing				
_	Writing Form	Personal Narrative: Prewrite				
	Focus Trait	Organization				
	Write about reading	Performance Task				
	Research/Media	Gather Relevant Information				
	Literacy Skills					
Speaking and	Read aloud	The Father of India				



Listening	Skill	Speaking/Listening: Discussing text details NA
Spelling	Principle	Suffixes: -ful, -less, -ness, -ment
	Words	Basic: colorful, weakness, movement, endless, truthful, illness, cheerful, useless, beautiful, restless, clumsiness, pavement, peaceful, fondness, neatness, speechless, statement, wasteful, penniless, treatment Review: kindness, careful, sickness, helpless, fearful Challenge: numbness, ailment, resourceful, cleanliness, appointment



Lesson Topic	20- Native American History	
Essential Question	How do people from different cultures contribute to American history?	
Anchor Text	Sacagawea (Biography)	
Paired Selection	Native American Nature Poetry (Poetry)	

Reading Literature	Reading Informational	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.5.4.G
CC.1.3.4.C	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.M		CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.F	CC.1.2.4.C		CC.1.4.4.F		CC.1.4.3.I
CC.1.3.4.E	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.T		CC.1.2.4.J
CC.1.3.4.H	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.V		
			CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.S		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

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Foundation	Decoding	VCCV Pattern and Word Parts
	Fluency	Phrasing: Punctuation
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Main Ideas and Details
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Visualize
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Onomatopoeia
		Text Structure
Language	Vocabulary	Shades of Meaning
	Strategies	
	Domain-Specific	cultural identity, language, celebration, indigenous
	Vocabulary	
	Academic	territory, accompany, proposed, interpreter, duty,
	Vocabulary	supplies, route, corps, clumsy, landmark
	Grammar	Abbreviations
Writing	Writing Mode	Narrative Writing
	Writing Form	Personal Narrative: Draft, Revise, Edit, Publish
	Focus Trait	Ideas
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	Race Against Death
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Citing text reasons and evidence
	Skill	Paraphrase Test Read Aloud
Spelling	Principle	Words with VCCV Pattern



Review: <i>until, invite, happen, forget, letter</i> Challenge: <i>occur, venture, challenge, rascal, splendid</i>		
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Lesson Topic	21- Media	
Essential Question	How can media be a distraction?	
Anchor Text	The World According to Humphrey? (Fantasy)	
Paired Selection	Make the Switch (Advertisement)	

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.A	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.F	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.C	CC.1.2.4.G	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.T	CC.1.5.4.C	
CC.1.3.4.B			CC.1.4.4.X		
CC.1.3.4.F					
CC.1.3.4.D					
CC.1.3.4.H					

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	VCV Pattern and Word Parts
Foundation	U	
	Fluency	Accuracy
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Theme
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Summarize
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Idioms
		Point of View
Language	Vocabulary	Using Context
	Strategies	
	Academic	appreciate, blaring, combination, promptly, introduce,
	Vocabulary	nocturnal, feats, effort, suggest, racket
	Grammar	Comparative and Superlative Adjectives and Adverbs
Writing	Writing Mode	Informative Writing
	Writing Form	Summary
	Focus Trait	Ideas
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	Fun and Games on the Range
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Telling similar stories (relating
		own experiences to story)
	Skill	Literature Discussion
Spelling	Principle	Words with VCV Pattern
	Words	Basic: event, humor, rapid, music, relief, planet, detail,
		unite, frozen, figure, siren, polite, hotel, protest, punish,
		defend, relay, habit, student, moment



	Review: alive, open, orange, begin, forest Challenge: rumor, jealous, license, image, rival



Lesson Topic	22- Citizens' Rights	
Essential Question	What causes change in a community?	
Anchor Text	I Could Do That! Esther Morris Gets Women the Vote (Biography)	
Paired Selection	The Role of the Constitution (Informational Text)	

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Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.E	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.T	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.A		CC.1.4.4.V	CC.1.5.4.E	CC.1.4.3.I
	CC.1.2.4.C		CC.1.4.4.W		CC.1.2.4.J
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.S		
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.X		
	CC.1.2.4.H				
	CC.1.2.4.I				

Focus Literacy Skills

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Foundation	Decoding	Syllable Patterns		
	Fluency	Phrasing: Pauses		
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Cause and Effect		
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Infer/Predict		
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Conclusions and Generalizations		
		Domain-Specific Vocabulary		
Language	Vocabulary	Adages and Proverbs		
	Strategies			
	Domain-Specific	suffrage, legislation, assembly, judicial		
	Vocabulary			
	Academic	politics, intelligent, disorderly, approve, polls, legislature,		
	Vocabulary	amendment, candidates, informed, denied		
	Grammar	Negatives		
Writing	Writing Mode	Informative Writing		
	Writing Form	Explanation		
	Focus Trait	Sentence Fluency		
	Write about reading	Performance Task		
	Research/Media	Investigate a Topic		
	Literacy Skills			
Speaking and	Read aloud	Jane's Big Ideas		
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Paraphrasing particular part		
	Skill	NA		
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Spelling	Principle	Words with VCCV and VCV Patterns
	Words	Basic: dentist, final, finish, narrow, shelter, ahead, corner, hollow, divide, famous, recent, silver, capture, cabin, dinner, minus, minute, value, reward, broken Review: again, enough, market, pencil, powder Challenge: decent, secure, standard, frontier, stampede



Lesson Topic	23- Life Cycles
Essential Question	How do forests and tree show change?
Anchor Text	<i>The Ever-Living Tree: The Life and Times of a Coast Redwood</i> (Informational Text)
Paired Selection	Towering Trees (Poetry)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.E	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.B	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.C	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.2.4.J
	CC.1.2.4.C		CC.1.4.4.A		
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.E		
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.F		
	CC.1.2.4.G		CC.1.4.4.T		
			CC.1.4.4.V		
			CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.S		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Focus Literacy SK	1115		
Foundation	Decoding	Difficult VCCV Patterns	
	Fluency	Stress	
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Text and Graphic Features	
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Monitor/Clarify	
Strategies	Supporting Skills	Similes	
		Text Structure	
Language	Vocabulary	Prefixes pre-, inter-, ex-	
	Strategies		
	Domain-Specific	seedling, pollination, maturity, life cycle, germinate	
	Vocabulary		
	Academic	resources, dense, evaporate, shallow, moisture, civilized,	
	Vocabulary	continent, opportunities, customs, independent	
	Grammar	Punctuation	
Writing	Writing Mode	Informative Writing	
	Writing Form	Procedural Composition	
	Focus Trait	Organization	
	Write about reading	Performance Task	
Speaking and	Read aloud	Deserts on the Move?	
Listening		Speaking/Listening: Explaining the Text	



	Skill	Recount an Experience
Spelling	Principle	Words with VCCV Pattern
	Words	Basic: poster, secret, whether, author, rocket, bushel, agree, bucket, ticket, declare, chicken, clothing, apron, whiskers, degree, gather, achieve, rather, bracket, machine Review: person, basket, between, artist, jacket Challenge: regret, nephew, method, decline, vibrate



Lesson Topic	24- Animal Behavior
Essential Question	How can animal behavior be like human behavior?
Anchor Text	Owen and Mzee: The True Story of a Remarkable Friendship (Narrative Nonfiction)
Paired Selection	Sea Sanctuary (Informational Text)

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Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.A	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.B	CC.1.5.4.D	
	CC.1.2.4.F		CC.1.4.4.F	CC.1.5.4.E	
	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.T		
	CC.1.2.4.G		CC.1.4.4.V		
	CC.1.2.4.I		CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Deeeding	NCCCV Detterm
0	VCCCV Pattern
Fluency	Intonation
Target Skill:	Compare and Contrast
Target Strategy:	Analyze/Evaluate
Supporting Skills	Fact and Opinion
	Author's Word Choice
Vocabulary	Suffixes – <i>ed, -ly</i>
Strategies	
Domain-Specific	adaptation, community, learned behavior, survive,
Vocabulary	shelter
Academic	bond, suffered, intruder, companion, enclosure,
Vocabulary	inseparable, charged, chief, exhausted, affection
Grammar	Commas
Writing Mode	Informative Writing
Writing Form	Research Report: Prewrite
Focus Trait	Ideas
Write about reading	Performance Task
Research/Media	Use Internet Sources
Literacy Skills	
Read aloud	New Friends in the Newsroom
	Speaking/Listening: Recounting a similar experience
Skill	NA
	Target Strategy: Supporting Skills Vocabulary Strategies Domain-Specific Vocabulary Academic Vocabulary Grammar Writing Mode Writing Form Focus Trait Write about reading Research/Media Literacy Skills Read aloud



pilgrim, sandwich, instead, complete, monster, settle, address, farther, sample, although, turtle, athlete, orchard, kingdom	Spelling	Principle	Words with VCCCV Pattern
Challenge fortress instant exclaim mattress sculpto		i	address, farther, sample, although, turtle, athlete,



Lesson Topic	25- Inventions
Essential Question	How do inventions change the way we do things?
Anchor Text	The Fun They Had (Science Fiction)
Paired Selection	Toys! Amazing Stories Behind Some Great Inventions (Informational Text)

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts				
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.B	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.5.4.G
CC.1.3.4.B	CC.1.2.4.C	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.C	CC.1.5.4.B	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.F	CC.1.2.4.E		CC.1.4.4.A	CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.3.K
CC.1.3.4.H	CC.1.2.4.G		CC.1.4.4.T	CC.1.5.4.E	CC.1.4.3.I
			CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.S		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Decoding	VV Pattern
Fluency	Adjust Rate to Purpose
Target Skill:	Author's Purpose
Target Strategy:	Question
Supporting Skills	Genre: Science Fiction
	Formal and Informal Language
Vocabulary	Greek and Latin Word Parts <i>meter, therm, aud, fac</i>
Strategies	
Domain-Specific	storage device, scanner, disc, records
Vocabulary	
Academic	progress, calculated, dispute, centuries, superior, insert,
Vocabulary	waste, inspector, mechanical, average
Grammar	Proper Mechanics
Writing Mode	Informative Writing
Writing Form	Research Report: Draft, Revise, Edit, Publish
Focus Trait	Word Choice
Write about reading	Performance Task
Read aloud	The Future of Flight
	Speaking/Listening: Identifying reasons and text
	evidence
Skill	Tell a Story
Principle	Words with VV Pattern
	Target Skill: Target Strategy: Supporting Skills Vocabulary Strategies Domain-Specific Vocabulary Academic Vocabulary Grammar Writing Mode Writing Form Focus Trait Write about reading Read aloud Skill



Words	Basic: idea, lion, usual, radio, liar, poem, India, piano, January, quiet, poet, science, diary, violin, period, February, cereal, video, meteor, rodeo Review: giant, lesson, program, quart, problem Challenge: variety, gradual, geography, diagram, punctuate
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Lesson Topic	26- Spiders	
Essential Question	How does exploring nature help our understanding of the world?	
Long Article	The Girl Who Loved Spiders (Realistic Fiction)	
Short Article	Web Wise (Informational Text)	
Poetry	The Spider, Spider Ropes	
Trade Books	Below: Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World, Mildred Pitts Walter (Realistic	
(Leveled Readers)	Fiction)	
	On: Phineas L. MacGuireGets Slimed!, Frances O'Roark Dowell (Realistic Fiction)	
	Advanced: Sea Turtles: Ocean Nomads, Mary M. Cerullo (Informational Text)	

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Reading Literature	Reading Informational Texts	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
CC.1.3.4.A CC.1.3.4.B CC.1.3.4.E CC.1.3.4.G	CC.1.2.4.G	CC.1.1.4.D CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.X	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L CC.1.4.3.K CC.1.4.3.I

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Common Final Syllables
	Fluency	Expression
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Story Structure
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Visualize
Strategies		
	Supporting Skills:	Point of View
Language	Vocabulary	Greek and Latin Word Parts
	Strategies	
	Academic	peculiar, intends, captured, nourishing, isolated, obtain,
	Vocabulary	assist, favor, condition, memorable
	Grammar	Making Comparisons
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing
	Writing Form	Response to Fiction
	Focus Trait	Word Choice
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	The Importance of Spiders
Listening		Speaking /Listening: Paraphrasing main points
	Skill	Presenting/Viewing a Dramatic Performance
Spelling	Principle	Final Schwa + /r/ Sound
	Words	Basic: enter, banner, sugar, shower, motor, collar, labor,



finger, mirror, beggar, favor, bother, fever, doctor,
temper, actor, polar, sweater, traitor, whenever
Review: river, summer, dollar, center, number
Challenge: calendar, error, popular, barrier, director



Lesson Topic	27- Amphibians	
Essential Question	Why is it important to learn about amphibians?	
Long Article	Amphibian Alert! (Informational Text)	
Short Article	The Frog in the Milk Pail (Fable)	
Poetry	Toad by the Road, The Poison-Dart Frogs	
Trade Books	Below: Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World, Mildred Pitts Walter (Realistic	
(Leveled Readers)	Fiction)	
	On: Phineas L. MacGuireGets Slimed!, Frances O'Roark Dowell (Realistic Fiction)	
	Advanced: Sea Turtles: Ocean Nomads, Mary M. Cerullo (Informational Text	

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Reading Literature	Reading Informational Texts	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
CC.1.3.4.E CC.1.3.4.H CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.D		CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation		More Final Sullables
Foundation	Decoding	More Final Syllables
	Fluency	Phrasing: Punctuation
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Main Ideas/Details
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Question
Strategies		
	Supporting Skills	Word Choice
Language	Vocabulary	Analogies
	Strategies	
	Academic	betrayed, shortage, species, continent, scarce, focus,
	Vocabulary	convey, alert, introduce, opportunities
	Grammar	More Comparisons
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing
	Writing Form	Journal Entry
	Focus Trait	Voice
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	Nowhere Else on Earth
Listening		Speaking/Listening: reviewing key ideas to support a
		point
	Skill	Make an Informational Presentation
Spelling	Principle	Final Schwa + /l/ Sound
	Words	Basic: title, towel, battle, pedal, metal, simple, eagle,



special, total, trouble, nickel, gentle, barrel, model, tangle, ankle, marvel, juggle, squirrel, riddle
Review: <i>circle, travel, apple, little, purple</i>
Challenge: cancel, decimal, material, pretzel, triangle



Lesson Topic	28- Visual Arts	
Essential Question	How do museums teach us about our world?	
Long Article	Museums: Worlds of Wonder (Expository Nonfiction)	
Short Article	Making the Most from Trash (Photo Essay)	
Poetry	Dinosaur Bone, Museum Farewell	
Trade Books	Below: Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World, Mildred Pitts Walter (Realistic	
(Leveled Readers)	Fiction)	
	On: Phineas L. MacGuireGets Slimed!, Frances O'Roark Dowell (Realistic Fiction)	
	Advanced: Sea Turtles: Ocean Nomads, Mary M. Cerullo (Informational Text	

Reading Literature	Reading Informational Texts	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
CC.1.3.4.A CC.1.3.4.E	CC.1.2.4.B CC.1.2.4.A CC.1.2.4.G CC.1.2.4.H	CC.1.1.4.D CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.G CC.1.4.4.F CC.1.4.4.X	CC.1.5.4.A CC.1.5.4.D	CC.1.4.4.L

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Stress in Multisyllable Words
	Fluency	Rate
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Fact and Opinion
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Monitor/Clarify
Strategies		
	Supporting Skills	Tone
Language	Vocabulary	Prefixes con-, com-, in-, im-
	Strategies	
	Academic	apologize, genuine, triumph, source, registered, display,
	Vocabulary	concluded, obstacles, affect, vast
	Grammar	Possessive Pronouns
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing
	Writing Form	Public Service Announcement
	Focus Trait	Organization
	Write about reading	Performance Task
Speaking and	Read aloud	NA
Listening	Skill	Make an Informal Presentation
Spelling	Principle	Three-Syllable Words
	Words	Basic: library, another, hospital, example, deliver,
		history, however, several, vacation, important, victory,



imagine, camera, potato, remember, together, memory, favorite, continue, president Review: unlucky, powerful, grandmother, November
Challenge: internal, ornament, interview, universe, article



Lesson Topic	29- Conservation	
Essential Question	What can people learn by working for a cause?	
Long Article	Save Timber Woods! (Readers' Theater)	
Short Article	Following Muir: A Persuasive Essay (Persuasive Essay)	
Trade Books	Below: Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World, Mildred Pitts Walter (Realistic	
(Leveled Readers)	Fiction)	
	On: Phineas L. MacGuireGets Slimed!, Frances O'Roark Dowell (Realistic Fiction)	
	Advanced: Sea Turtles: Ocean Nomads, Mary M. Cerullo (Informational Text	

Reading	Reading	Foundational	Writing	Speaking and	Language
Literature	Informational	Skills		Listening	
	Texts			0	
CC.1.3.4.A	CC.1.2.4.B	CC.1.1.4.D	CC.1.4.4.G	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L
CC.1.3.4.B	CC.1.2.4.G	CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.H		CC.1.4.3.I
CC.1.3.4.E	CC.1.2.4.H		CC.1.4.4.F		
			CC.1.4.4.V		
			CC.1.4.4.W		
			CC.1.4.4.X		

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Words with Silent Consonants	
	Fluency	Phrasing: Pauses	
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Understanding Characters	
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Infer/Predict	
Strategies			
	Supporting Skills	Mood	
Language	Vocabulary	Word Origins	
	Strategies		
	Academic	defended, satisfied, confidence, symbol, boasted,	
	Vocabulary	resourceful, brilliant, publicity, territory, proposed	
	Grammar	Correct Pronouns	
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing	
	Writing Form	Opinion Essay	
	Focus Trait	Ideas	
	Write about reading	Performance Task	
Speaking and	Read aloud	NA	
Listening	Skill	Discuss Symbols and Images in Media	
Spelling	Principle	Words with Silent Consonants	



Words	Basic: half, comb, mortgage, honor, fasten, kneel, wreath, calm, answer, handsome, wrinkle, listen, fetch, yolk, climb, honest, knuckle, plumber, limb, folktale Review: talk, knife, wrong, knock, hour Challenge: tomb, glisten, design, hasten, wrestle
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Lesson Topic	30- Ecology	
Essential Question	What can we do to protect the environment?	
Long Article	Mystery at Reed's Pond (Mystery)	
Short Article	A Big Python Problem (Informational Text)	
Poetry	Naming the Turtle, Greater Flamingo	
Trade Books	Below: Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World, Mildred Pitts Walter (Realistic	
(Leveled Readers)	Fiction)	
	On: Phineas L. MacGuireGets Slimed!, Frances O'Roark Dowell (Realistic Fiction)	
	Advanced: Sea Turtles: Ocean Nomads, Mary M. Cerullo (Informational Text	

Reading Literature	Reading Informational Texts	Foundational Skills	Writing	Speaking and Listening	Language
CC.1.3.4.A CC.1.3.4.C CC.1.3.4.B	CC.1.2.4.A	CC.1.1.4.D CC.1.1.4.E	CC.1.4.4.A CC.1.4.4.B CC.1.4.4.C CC.1.4.4.E CC.1.4.4.F CC.1.4.4.F CC.1.4.4.V CC.1.4.4.W CC.1.4.4.X	CC.1.5.4.A	CC.1.4.4.L CC.1.4.3.I

Focus Literacy Skills

Foundation	Decoding	Unusual Spellings
	Fluency	Accuracy and Self-Correction
Comprehension	Target Skill:	Conclusions/Generalizations
Skills and	Target Strategy:	Summarize
Strategies		
	Supporting Skills	Word Choice
Language	Vocabulary	Suffixes –er, -or, -ist
	Strategies	
	Academic	appreciate, effort, denied, informed, shallow, resources,
	Vocabulary	average, suffered, inspector, progress
	Grammar	Pronoun Contractions
Writing	Writing Mode	Opinion Writing
	Writing Form	Opinion Essay
	Focus Trait	Sentence Fluency
	Write about reading	Performance Task



Speaking and	Read aloud	NA
Listening	Skill	Dramatize a Story
Spelling	Principle	Unusual Spellings
	Words	Basic: meant, routine, style, flood, month, pleasant, guess, women, either, against, disguise, sweat, magazine, guard, receive, wonder, league, type, ceiling, money Review: front, head, elbow, shoe, mind Challenge: plaid, onion, guarantee, rhyme, submarine