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Reading: Literature/Key Ideas & Details

Essential Skill: Recognize story elements: Character.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about character?</p>	<p><u>Character Movie</u> Explore characters and their traits.</p>	<p><u>Activity</u> Make character trading cards. Draw favorite characters on one side, and traits on the other.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about characters?</p>	<p><u>Plot</u> <u>Setting</u></p>

Essential Skill: Recognize story elements: Setting.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about story setting?</p>	<p><u>Setting Movie</u> Learn about setting: where and when a story takes place.</p>	<p><u>Guess the Setting</u> <u>Concept Map</u> Add details of a well-known story setting, but don't identify the story.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about setting?</p>	<p><u>Plot</u> <u>Character</u></p>

		Challenge a classmate to guess the story based on that setting.		
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Essential Skill: Recognize story elements: Plot.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about plot?</p>	<p><u>Plot Movie</u> Discover how plot includes all the events that make up a story.</p>	<p><u>Make a Concept Map</u> Identify the plot of a favorite story, in order from beginning to end.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about plot?</p>	<p><u>Setting</u> <u>Character</u></p>

Reading: Literature/Craft & Structure

Essential Skill: Identify author's point of view.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about Jon Scieszka?</p>	<p>Jon Scieszka Movie Explore how this author rewrites folktales from a different point of view.</p>	<p>Write About It Rewrite a fairy tale by telling it from another character's point of view</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about Jon Scieza and point of view?</p>	<p>Eloise Greenfield Ezra Jack Keats Cynthia Rylant Dr. Seuss</p>

Reading: Informational Text/Key Idea & Details

Essential Skill: Determine main idea and supporting details.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about main idea and details?</p>	<p>Main Idea Movie Learn how to find the main idea of a text, and supporting details.</p>	<p>Make an Animal Concept Map Write a main idea about an animal you know a lot about. Add details to support the main idea.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about main idea?</p>	<p>Make Inferences</p>

Reading Foundational Skills: Phonics and Word Recognition

Essential Skill: Decode words using phonics and word analysis skills: short vowel sounds.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</p>	<p>Short Vowels Movie Discover sounds that</p>	<p>Write About It</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn</p>	<p>Phonics Unit</p>

What do you know about short vowels?	short vowels make and how knowing them can help you figure out an unknown word.	Write a letter to Moby and print it. Circle all the words that use short vowel sounds.	about short vowels?	
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Essential Skill: Review and identify common prefixes.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about prefixes?</p>	<p><u>Prefixes Movie</u> Learn about prefixes and how they can change the meaning of a root word.</p>	<p><u>Make a Concept Map</u> Choose a prefix, such as <i>re-</i>, <i>un-</i>, <i>mis-</i>, or <i>sub-</i>. Create as many words as you can using the prefix.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about prefixes?</p>	<p><u>Synonyms and Antonyms</u></p> <p><u>Adjectives and Adverbs</u></p> <p><u>Verbs</u></p>

Writing: Text Types and Purposes

Essential Skill: Write an opinion piece.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about writing a paragraph?</p>	<p>Writing a Paragraph Explore the writing process and learn how to write a strong paragraph.</p>	<p>Write About It Write an opinion piece about your favorite food that includes a topic sentence, supporting details, and a concluding sentence.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about writing a paragraph?</p>	<p>Writing with the Senses</p>

Essential Skill: Write pieces based on fact and on opinion.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy</p>	<p>Facts and Opinions</p>	<p>Make a Concept Map</p>	<p>Quiz</p>	<p>Writing a</p>

<p><u>Quiz</u> What do you know about facts and opinions?</p>	<p><u>Movie</u> Learn how to support your opinions with facts.</p>	<p>Place the title of a book you've read in the center of a map. Share opinions about the book. Then add facts to support your opinions.</p>	<p>What did you learn about facts and opinions?</p>	<p><u>Paragraph</u></p>
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Essential Skill: Write to inform.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about writing a "how-to" essay?</p>	<p><u>How-To Essay Movie</u> Learn how to write a "how-to" essay as you review the writing process.</p>	<p><u>Make a Concept Map</u> Identify the steps for making your favorite sandwich, playing a game, or any other process you choose.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about writing a "how-to" essay?</p>	<p><u>Sequence</u> <u>Writing a Paragraph</u></p>

Essential Skill: Write to entertain.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about writing a short story?</p>	<p><u>Short Story Movie</u> Learn how to turn an idea into a short story through writing, revising, and editing.</p>	<p><u>Map a Short Story</u> Identify the beginning, middle, and end of a short story you will write.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about writing a short story?</p>	<p><u>Sequence</u></p>

Essential Skill: Review how to locate information in a library when conducting research.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about using a library?</p>	<p><u>Library Movie</u> Discover how to find, check out, and return materials at the library!</p>	<p><u>Map a Concept Map</u> Identify the different ways a library can help you with research.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about using a library?</p>	<p><u>Choosing a Book</u></p>

Language: Conventions of Standard English

Essential Skill: Review the functions of adjectives and adverbs.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about adjectives and adverbs?</p>	<p>Adjectives and Adverbs Movie Learn that adjectives describe nouns and adverbs describe verbs.</p>	<p>Activity Rewrite sentences, adding adjectives or adverbs to bring ideas to life.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about adjectives and adverbs?</p>	<p>Nouns Verbs</p>

Essential Skill: Review the functions of nouns.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about nouns?</p>	<p>Nouns Movie Discover that a noun is a person, animal, place, thing, or idea and is something you see, feel, hear, taste, or smell.</p>	<p>Make a Concept Map Look around you! What nouns do you see? Add them to a map and label each.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about nouns?</p>	<p>Plural Nouns Possessive Nouns</p>

Essential Skill: Review the functions of plural nouns.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about plural nouns?</p>	<p>Plural Nouns Movie Explore the rules for turning singular nouns into plural nouns.</p>	<p>Play a Sorting Game Sort nouns into categories, including plural nouns.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about plural nouns?</p>	<p>Nouns Possessive Nouns</p>

Essential Skill: Review the function of verbs.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about verbs?</p>	<p>Verbs Movie Review that verbs are words that show action, and that sentences need verbs to be complete.</p>	<p>ABC Verbs Identify a verb that begins with each letter of the alphabet.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about verbs?</p>	<p>Subject and Verb Agreement Tenses</p>

Essential Skill: Form correct verb tenses.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about verb tenses?</p>	<p>Tenses Movie Review how to form past, present, and future verb tenses.</p>	<p>Make a Concept Map Place a picture of a verb in the center of your map. Identify and label the present, past, and future tense of the verb. TIP: Use search bar to search verb images.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about verb tenses?</p>	<p>Subject and Verb Agreement Verbs</p>

Essential Skill: Choose the correct form of comparative and superlative adjectives.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about using adjectives to compare?</p>	<p>Using Adjectives to Compare Movie Learn how to use adjectives to compare by adding a suffix.</p>	<p>Activity Use adjectives to compare pictured items.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about using adjectives to compare.</p>	<p>Adjectives and Adverbs Subject and Verb Agreement</p>

Essential Skill: Practice proper capitalization.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about when to use capitals?</p>	<p>Capital and Lowercase Movie Learn when and why to use capital letters.</p>	<p>Edit Annie's Letter Print Annie's letter and underline letters that should be capitalized.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about when to use capital letters?</p>	<p>Nouns</p>

Essential Skill: Practice correct usage of commas.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about using commas?</p>	<p>Commas with Adjectives and Lists Learn to use commas to separate adjectives or items in a list.</p>	<p>Activity Fix sentences by adding commas if they need it.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about using commas?</p>	<p>Adjectives and Adverbs</p>

Essential Skill: Use correct form of possessives and distinguish them from non-possessives.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about possessive nouns?</p>	<p><u>Possessive Nouns</u> Discover how possessive nouns differ from other nouns because they show ownership.</p>	<p><u>Draw About It</u> Draw a picture of your home and label the rooms and details with possessive nouns.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about possessive nouns?</p>	<p><u>Contractions</u> <u>Nouns</u> <u>Plural Nouns</u></p>

Essential Skill: Write the correct contraction when given two words.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about contractions?</p>	<p><u>Contractions</u> Learn about these words formed from two or more words, and how we use contractions all the time when we speak.</p>	<p><u>Activity</u> Form contractions from the words on Moby's ears</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about contractions?</p>	<p><u>Possessive Nouns</u></p>

Essential Skill: Review homonyms, including homographs and homophones.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about homonyms?</p>	<p>Homonyms Movie Explore homonyms, including homographs, and homophones.</p>	<p>Activity Complete the sentences using the correct homonym.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about homonyms?</p>	<p>Synonyms and Antonyms</p>

Essential Skill: Review synonyms and antonyms.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz What do you know about synonyms and antonyms?</p>	<p>Synonyms and Antonyms Movie Explore words with the same or opposite meanings.</p>	<p>Make a Concept Map Choose an adjective, such as <i>big</i>, <i>small</i>, <i>funny</i>, <i>sad</i>, etc. Identify synonyms and antonyms or the word, and label each as a synonym or antonym.</p>	<p>Quiz What did you learn about synonyms and antonyms?</p>	<p>Homonyms Adjectives and Adverbs</p>

Essential Skill: Review compound words.

Warm Up	Build Background	Think and Do	Assess	Explore More Topics
<p><u>Pre-Assessment: Easy Quiz</u> What do you know about compound words?</p>	<p><u>Compound Words Movie</u> Explore words that are made up of two or more different words.</p>	<p><u>Activity</u> Review each rebus and identify the associated compound word. Then draw your own rebus that shows a compound word and have a classmate guess it.</p>	<p><u>Quiz</u> What did you learn about compound words?</p>	<p><u>Prefixes</u></p>