

#### Action Ahoy Learning Log

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#### PURPOSE of LEARNING LOG RESOURCE:

- 1. To support and guide English Language Arts (ELA) Curriculum
- To support independent and paired study during station work or during home study (holiday or at-home interest/extended homework activities)
- 3. To add support as an enrichment or remedial resource (students can work at their own pace)
- 4. To provide a guide for peer teachers (older student buddies)
- 5. To provide a learning log (evidence of learning) built in to student resources

## The ELA Challenge!

Trailblazer (Got it) Pathfinder (Almost) Rookie (Not Yet) 225+ + points 200-224 points < than 200 points

<u>Challenge</u>	<u>Maximum Points</u>
Word Canoe Vocabulary Quizzes	150
Perfect Semester Bonus ©	20
Grammar Voyagers Quiz	10
Neighborhood Poem	20
Poetry Recital	20
Sentence Ending Quiz	10
Writing a Tall Tale	60
Story Telling	20
Venn Diagram (comparing action stories)	20
Learning Log Challenge (complete tasks in book)	10
Classroom Work	10
TOTAL	250 possible points



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Alignment with Ontario, Alberta and Common Core State (US) Expectations, Poetic Tools

<u>First Thoughts -</u> What I Know About	
A consonant	
A vowel	
A sentence	
A verb	
What I Know About fiction	
What I Know About tall tales	
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Essential Target (ET) - Identify simple vowel sounds & spell & define HF action words.

ET - Arrange words in alphabetical order using first two letters.

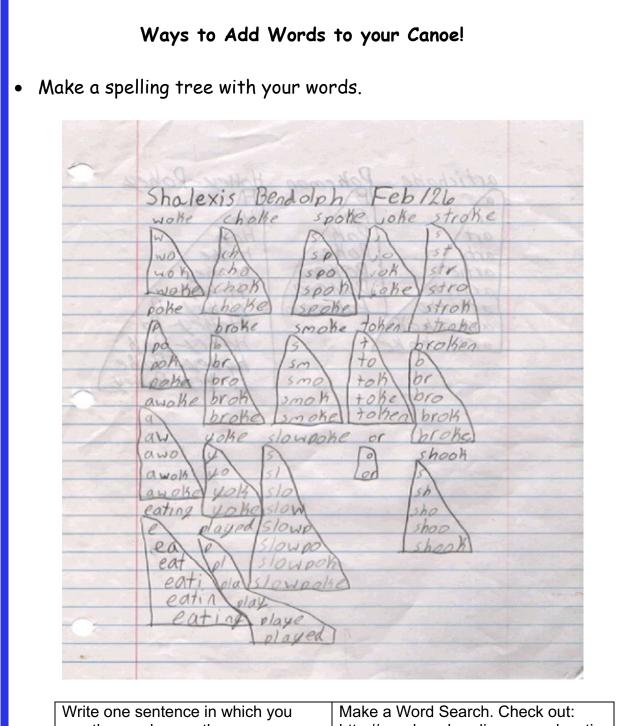
# 1. Word Canoe



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<u>Each Monday</u> student paddler's will spell words from the Primary list.

Students are encouraged to learn by studying in advance of quizzes and learning from mistakes, too. To help get more words into your canoe (into your head) try different ways and see which ways work best for you!



Write one sentence in which you	Make a Word Search. Check out:
use the word correctly.	http://puzzlemaker.discoveryeducati
	on.com/WordSearchSetupForm.asp
Find the silent or "ghost" letters.	Draw a picture that shows the
	meaning of the words.
Write a story.	

<ul> <li>Read the following words and put them in the order you would find them in the dictionary:</li> </ul>							
buy, beg, beat, ba	ike, bump, l	oent					
	<b>_</b>		<b>—</b>				
How well did you arrange words in alphabetical order using first two letters?	Trailblazer (Expert)	Pathfinder (Apprentice)	Rookie (Not Yet)				
Words for Portage Mondays							
WEEK 1	WEEK 2						
bad, dad, had, lad. mad, sad, cab,	cap, gag, lap						
dab, lab, gag, nag, rag, sag, tag,	bar, car, far,						
wag, ball, call, fall, mall, tall, wall, doll, ban, can, man, pan, ran, tan	gas, bass, pa mat, pat, rat,						
Week 3	Week 4	3at, paw, n	aw, 3aw				
bed, fed, led, red, wed, beg, leg, peg, bell, fell, tell, who, what, when, where, why, how							

Week 5	Week 6
did, hid, lid, kid, big, fig, jig, pig, rig,	over, very, open, off, of, bin, fin,
wig, fill, hill, mill, pill, will, over, very,	pin, tin, win, dip, hip. lip, rip, sip,
open, off, of	tip, hiss, kiss, miss,
	bit, fit, hit, kit, sit
Week 7 Guide	Week 8 Guide
bob, cob, job, mob, rob, cod, nod,	warm, farm, help, bird, baby,
pod, rod, dog, fog, hog, jog, log,	eye, hop, mop, top, pop, dot,
boss, loss, moss, toss, warm, farm,	got, hot, not, lot, pot, rot, cow,
help, bird, baby, eye	bow, how, now, wow, boy, toy
Week 9 Guide	Week 10 Guide
cut, hut, nut, put, cub, rub, sub, tub,	the, one, won, buy, many, fun,
bug, dug, hug, jug, rug, tug, the,	gun, pun, run, sun,_cup, pup,
one, won, buy, many	full, pull, gum, hum
Week 11 Guide	Week 12 Guide
fast, last, past, want, went, bent,	she, any, new, you, here, cost,
rent, sent, tent, best, rest, nest, test,	lost, pull, full, bump, jump,
west, ring, king, sing, wing, wing,	pump, dump, lump, bust, dust,
long, song	gust, just, must, rust
Week 13 Guide	Week 14 Guide
may, bay, day, pay, say, way	time, dime, lime, mime, five, live,
take, bake, cake, lake, take, gave,	dive, hive, find, kind, mind, wind,
save, made, came, game, name,	hind, poke, woke, joke, hole,
same, ate, date, gate, late, ride,	mole, pole, bone, cone, lone,
hide, side, wide, like, bike, hike, pike	tone, none
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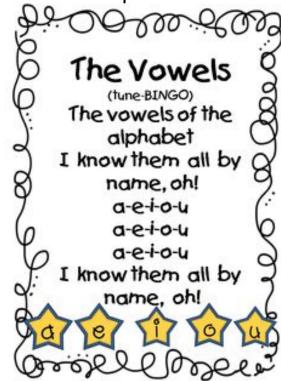
Week 15 Guide	Week 16 Guide
cold, bold, hold, sold, told,	who, what, where, when, why,
corn, born, torn, worn, try, fly, cry,	over, very, open, off, of, warm,
dry, too, two, to, our, out, into	farm, help, bird, baby, eye, the,
	one, won, buy, many, she, any,
	new, you, here, too, two, to, our,
	out, into

## STEP OUTSIDE:

- Take a book of your choice outside to find action words.
- Take a dictionary with you, so you can look up the meaning.

Action Words from:			
WORD	Meaning		

• Let's sing the vowel song to the tune of "BINGO" while sitting around the school campfire:



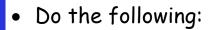
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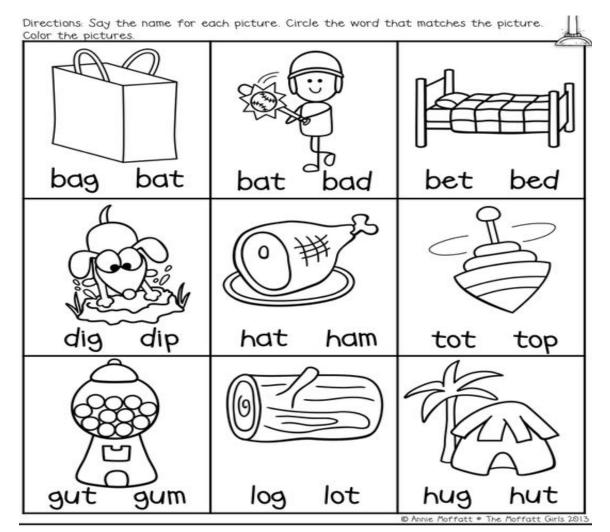
### Consonants

Most words have many consonants. Each consonant letter usually has the same sound. A consonant is every letter except a,e,i,o,u, and sometimes y.

## TECH TIME:

 Listen to the Vowel Bat song: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f2hXa8dbK3o



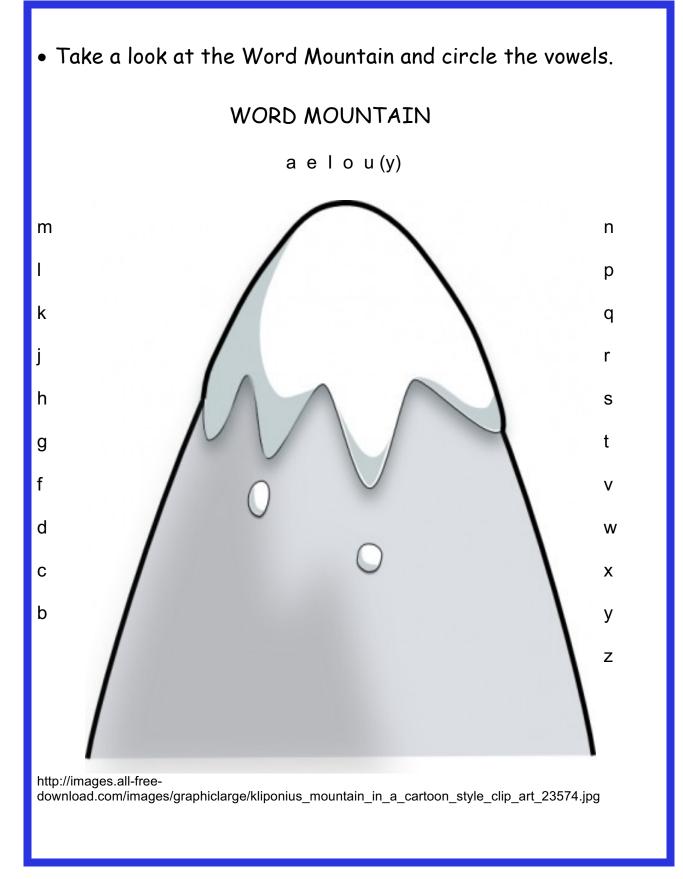


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- Use the die to roll a word family.
- Start at the word cap.
- Trace each word when you roll it.

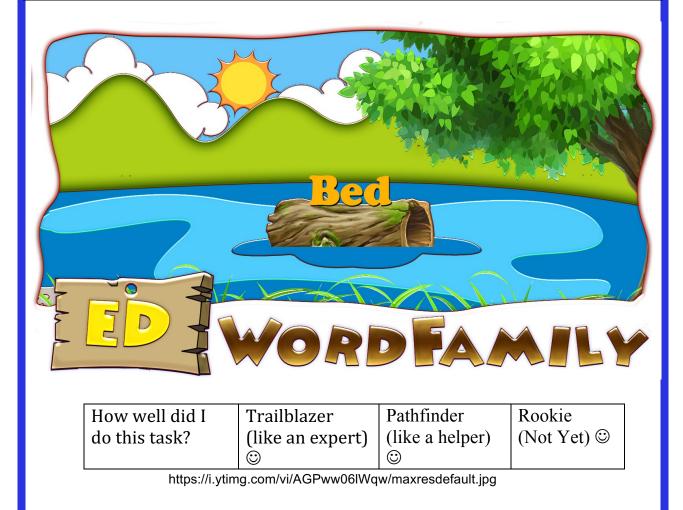
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sap	tin	ram	<u></u>		run
tap	pin	ham		pig	fun
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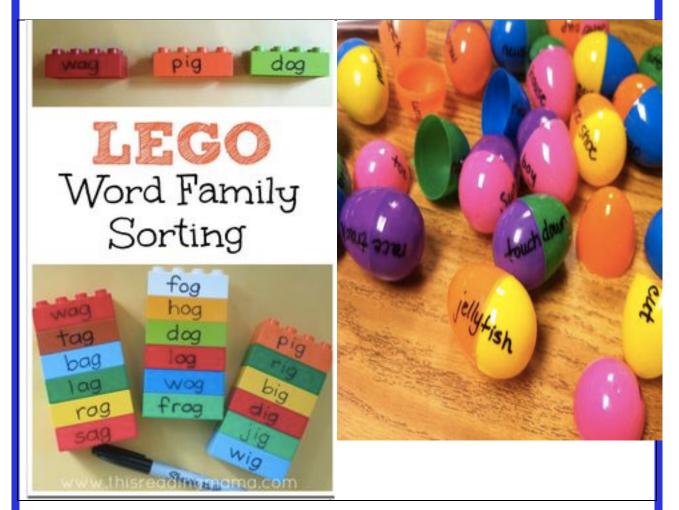


•	Use the	Word	Mountain	to	create	real	and	original	words.
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Real Words Made Up Words				







• What words did you make? Print some here:

	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
	(like an expert)	(like a helper)	(Not Yet) ©
do this task.			

- Now let's pay attention to the different sounds each vowel can make.
- Sing 'The Vowel Song' to the tune "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean".

An "a" sound is short when it's lonely.An "a" sounds is long with an "e".An "e" sound is short when it's lonely.Oh bring back a vowel to eat.

#### Bring Pat, Bring Pat Oh bring Pat a vowel to eat, to eat Bring Pat, Bring Pat Oh, bring Pat a vowel to eat. <CHORUS>

An "e" sound is long with another "e" Not many are long with an "e" The "i" sound is short when it's lonely Oh bring back a vowel to eat. <CHORUS>

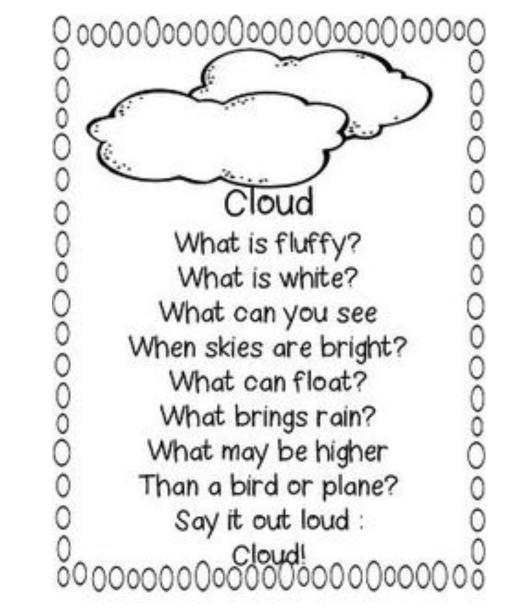
An "i" sound is long with an end "e" A "y" at the end can sound like "e" A "y" can also be long like a "I" sound Oh Bring back a vowel to eat. <CHORUS>

The "o" sound is short when it's lonely The "o" sound is long with an "e" Some letters make no sense at all. Oh bring back a vowel to eat. <CHORUS>

The "u" sound is short when it's lonely The "u" sound is long with an "e" Lots of words they come with exceptions So check out the dictionary. <CHORUS>

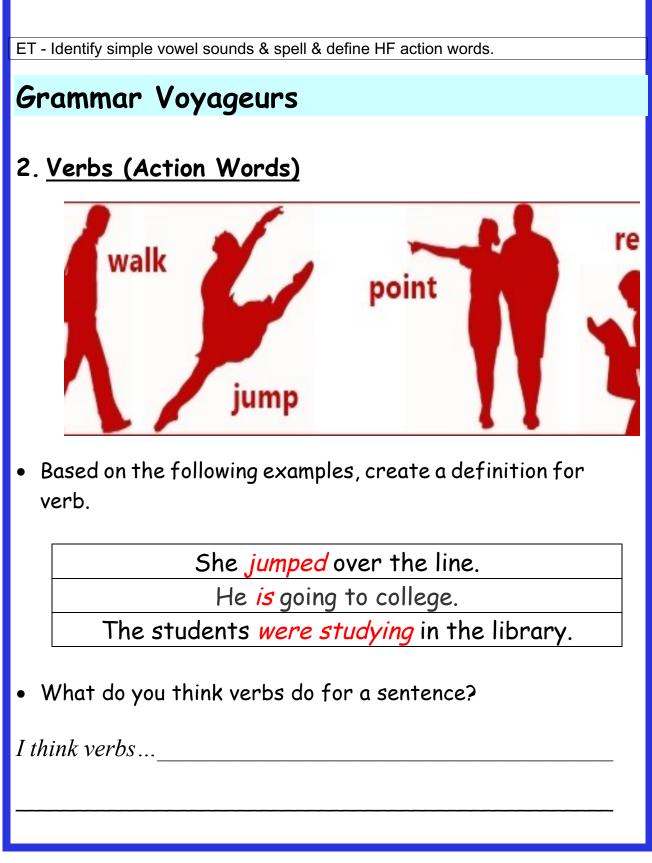
<ul> <li>Let's make some riddles using:</li> </ul>
What has
and rhymes with?
What is it?
What is it 1920/2011/2012/2012/04/riddle-pizza- 1.jg

• Try a longer "what is?" poem like this one:



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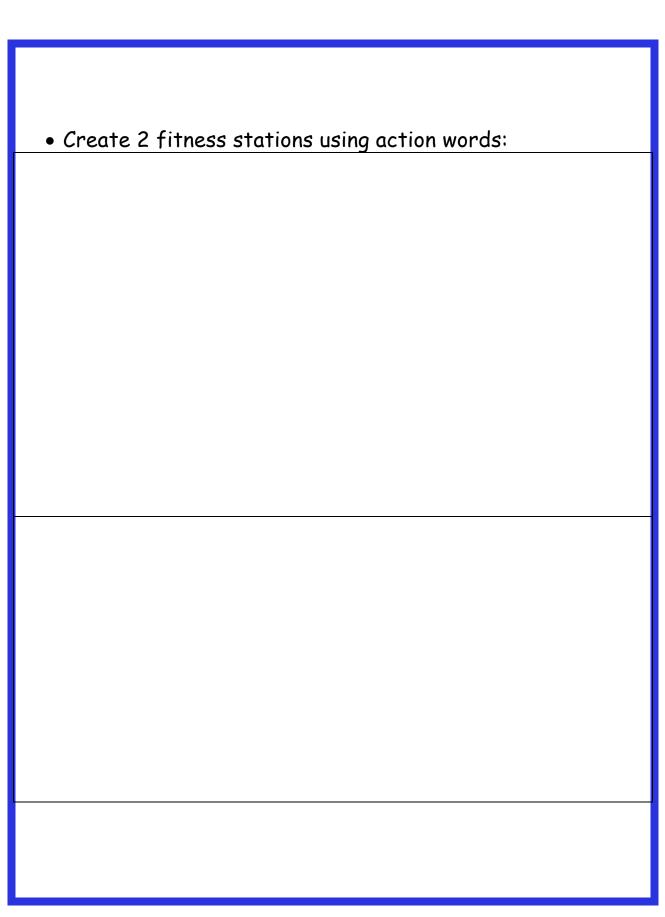
### VERBO - The Action Verb Bingo Game.

- Look through magazines or newspapers from the area and make a list of 50 action words used to advertise places to visit in in the area.
- The words can be written on mural paper under each category:

<u>V</u>iewing <u>Eating</u> <u>R</u>iding <u>B</u>oating <u>O</u>ther

- You will then fill the following bingo card -with word choices from the list.
- Then play VERBO!

V	E	R	В	0
		RELAX		



STEP (	OUTSIDE:
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•Put all the fitness stations up in different areas outside and complete the actions at each station.

• Get ready for your quiz by learning the Verb Rap:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6jwYTZdUVi0&list=RD6jwYTZdUVi0#t=0

• Now take this guiz and show your results to your teacher!

Balloon Game Quiz - Score at least 8/10

http://www.softschools.com/language\_arts/grammar/verb/balloon\_ga me/

How well did you identify simple vowel sounds & spell & define High frequency (HF) action	nds & spell & define (Expert) (Ap	Rookie (Not Yet)
words?		

# Poetry Portage



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ET -Write & recite rhyming poems with alliteration.

## 3. Rhyming Words

• Read Alligator Pie and circle the rhyming words.

### Alligator Pie by Dennis Lee

Alligator pie, alligator pie, If I don't get some I think I'm gonna die. Give away the green grass, give away the sky. But don't give away my alligator pie.

Alligator stew, alligator stew, If I don't get some, I don't know what I'll do. Give away my furry hat, give away my shoe, But don't give away my alligator stew.

Alligator soup, alligator soup If I don't get some I think I'm gonna droop. Give away my hockey-stick, give away my hoop. But don't give away my alligator soup. **Slang** is a made-up word. It can be used in poetry to be silly or in a book to show that the character doesn't know enough to speak well.

• Find the word in Alligator Pie that is slang.

• What words did you like the most in Alligator Pie?

Nursery rhymes are full of rhyming words.

• List the rhyming words in the box below from a nursery rhyme:

• Now read nursery rhymes to your kinder buddy.

• Listen to the poem: "Rope Rhyme" and highlight the words that rhyme:

# Rope Rhyme by Eloise Greenfield

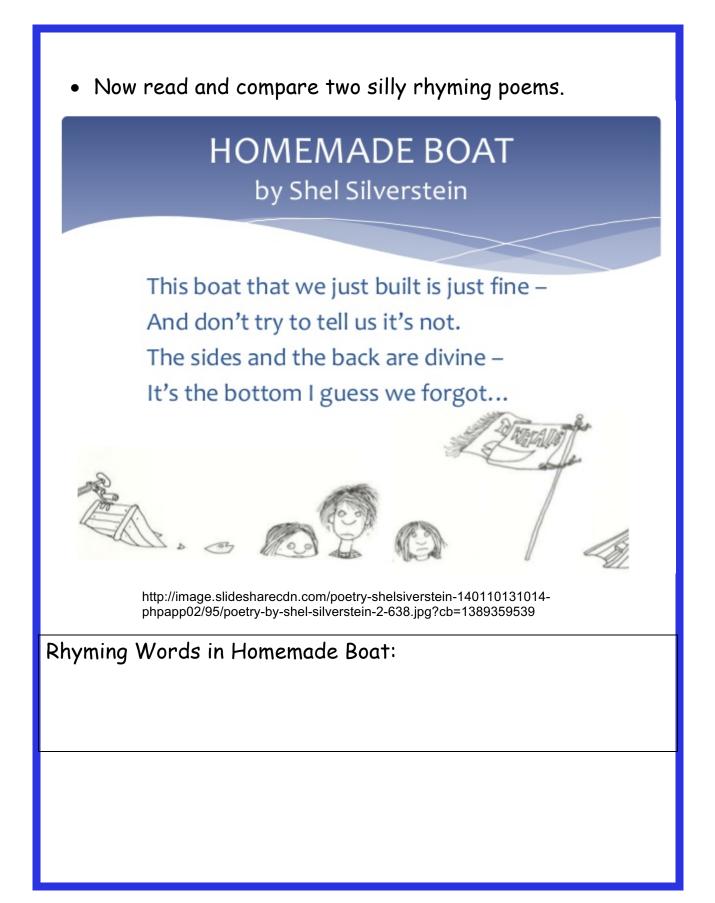
Get set, ready now, jump right in Bounce and kick and giggle and spin Listen to the rope when it hits the ground Listen to that clappedy-slappedy sound Jump right up when it tells you to Come back down, whenever you do Count to a hundred, count by ten Start to count all over again That's what jumping is all about Get set, ready now, jump right out!

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**STEP OUTSIDE:** Try doing the skipping rhyme while skipping!

• Record verbs (action words) from the poem beginning with each letter.

Start	ing letter	Verb		
В				
С				
С				
G				
J				
K				
L				
S				
	Iow well did I lo this task?	Trailblazer (like an expert) ☺	Pathfinder (like a helper) ☺	Rookie (Not Yet) ©



### My Neighbor's Dog is Purple

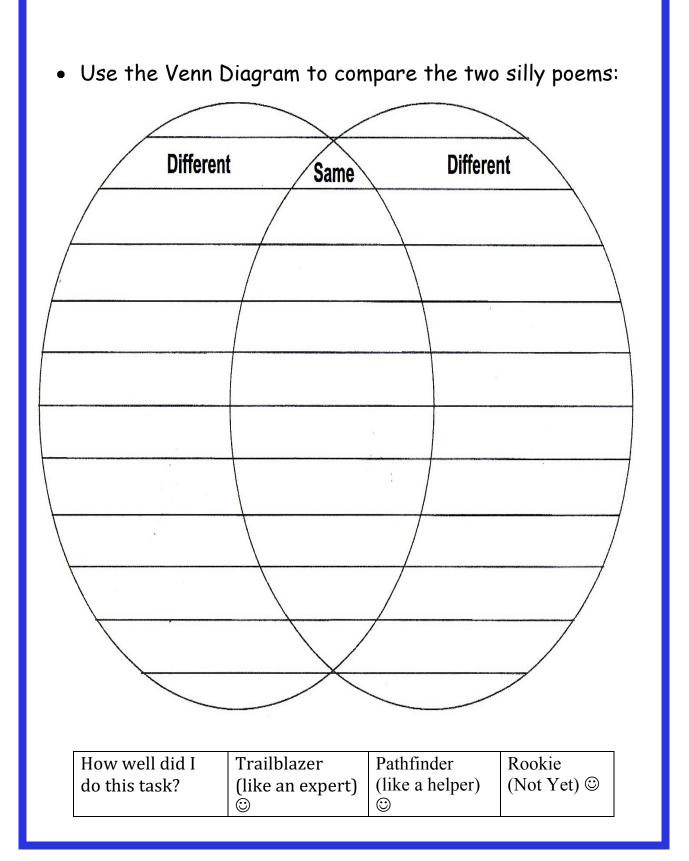
My neighbor's dog is purple, Its eyes are large and green, its tail is almost endless, the longest I have seen.

My neighbor's dog is quiet, It does not bark one bit, but when my neighbor's dog is near, I feel afraid of it.

My Neighbor's dog looks nasty, it has a wicked smile.... before my neighbor painted it, it was a crocodile.

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Rhyming Words in My Neighbor's Dog is Purple:



Circle the rhyming words in this poem about a rainy day.

#### RAINY DAY

I do not like a rainy day. The road is wet, the sky is gray. They dress me up, from head to toes, In lots and lots of rubber clothes. I wish the sun would come and stay. I do not like a rainy day.

William Wise



How well did I	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
do this task?	(like an expert)	(like a helper)	(Not Yet) 😊
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- Read each other's poems outside on a sunny day
- Read together the following poem about Apples:



Apples, Apples

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• Now read aloud the poem 'It's fall, That's All', and illustrate it.

### It's Fall, That's All

When the days get shorter and The nights get longer It's fall, that's all.

When the north winds blow and The leaves swirl around, It's fall, that's all.

When leaves turn red and Orange and yellow It's fall, that's all

When the leaves turn brown And fall to the ground It's fall, that's all

When we rake the crunchy leaves and Jump into a pile It's fall, that's all.

When we have cooler weather and We need to wear a sweater It's fall, that's all.

# 4. Alliteration

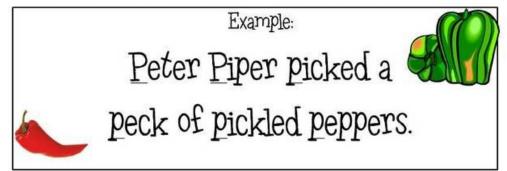
Alliteration is a big word! Poets use alliteration to make words sound special. Tongue twisters use lots of alliteration. What is alliteration?

• Look at the slide below and see if you can figure out what alliteration means.



The use of the same beginning

consonant sound in a line or verse.



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Alliteration can be used in poems that rhyme and poems that do not rhyme.

• Examine the following poems to find the alliteration, action verbs and rhyming words.

Wind Whistles	The Snake by Janet Lawler	
Wind whistles	Slick and silent,	
Through the air	Near my toe.	
While	Through the leaves,	
Talking turtles shiver	I see it go.	
Like sea horses	Over sticks	
While everyone is	I watch it glide,	
Asleep.	Looking for a place to hide.	
	Slow and sliding,	
	Does it know	
	I'm scared of how it	
	Slithers so?	
	Sly and sleek, it slips	
	away.	
	I'm glad it passed by me today.	
Busy Bee	Rain	
Buzz among the blossoms,	Rain races	
Bustling, busy one	Ripping like	
Balance on a buttercup,	Wind	
Bathed in summer sun.	It's restless rage	
Itty-bitty bumble	Rattles like	
Bold and brave, a bee;	Rocks ripping	
How can one so tiny	Though	
Scare big kids like me?	The air.	
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Action Verbs	Rhyming Words
	Action Verbs

•	Listen for alliteration in the song: "Red Red Robin
	Comes Bob, Bob, Bobbin' Along':
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hYKYcaeSwiA

• Read the words and see how alliteration helps the robin stand out.

Verse 1: I heard a Robin this morning, I'm feeling happy today, I'm going to put my cares in a whistle, Blow them all away. What if I've been unlucky, Really I ain't got a thing, There's a Time I'll always feel happy As happy as a King.	Verse 2: What if I've been blue, Now I'm walkin' through Fields of flowers. Rain may glisten, But still I listen, For hours and hours. I'm just a kid again, Doin' what I did again. Singin' a song, When the red, red robin	
Chorus When the red, red robin Comes bob, bob, bobbin along, along, There'll be no more sobbin' When he starts throbbin' His old sweet song: Wake up, wake up, You sleepy head Get up, get up, Get out of bed, Cheer up, cheer up, The sun is red		

Live, love, Laugh and be happy!

• What do you do when you feel sad? When I'm sad I like to cheer myself up by...

Cheer up! http://cardsimages.info-tuparada.com/imagenes/520/542-10-tarjetas-de-cheer-up-ecards.jpg

#### **EXTENSION:**

• Underline the verbs, circle the rhyming words and put an "a" overtop of the alliteration in the poem River Runs Free:

#### River Runs Free by David Windle

River runs free river runs free along the rocky ridge and down towards the sea river runs free river runs free like the wind and birds and you and me. as the slow sky turns and the deep sun burns and the dark earth rests beneath river runs free river runs free like a glittering seam of stars. as the leaves draw light from the woven air and the grass drinks hard from the frozen soil river runs free towards the sea like a rope of silver silk. as the quiet fish dive and the birds alight and the jungle sings with life river runs free with you and me and the horizon calling endlesshttp://www.primarypoems.com/2013/01/03/river-runs-free/ly.



Sing the "Who, What, When, Where, Why and How" Song:
 Who, what, when, where, why and how
 Who what when where why and how
 We are poetry builders.

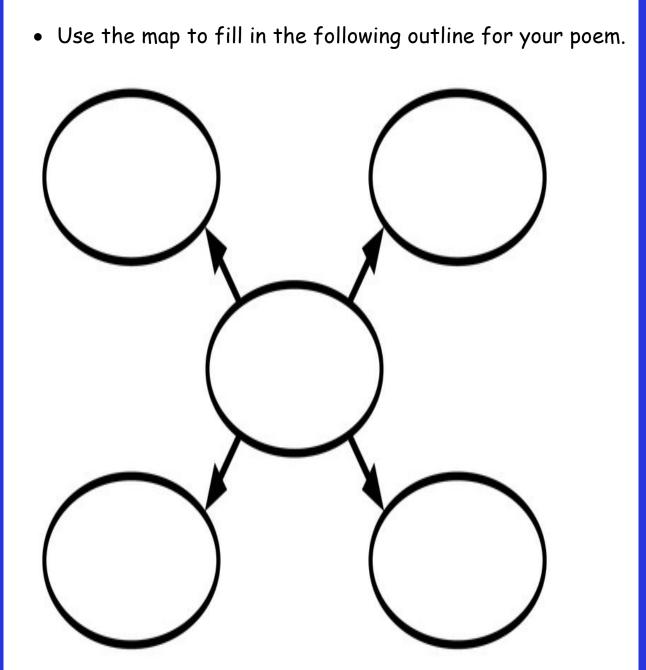


How well did I	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
do this task?	(like an expert)	(like a helper)	(Not Yet) 😳
	$\odot$	$\odot$	

Now it's time to write your own poem.

- Let's write a rhyming poem (with alliteration!) about your neighbourhood.
- Create a map of your neighbourhood.
- Label your map with words that answer the questions, who, what, when and where.

### My Neighbourhood Map



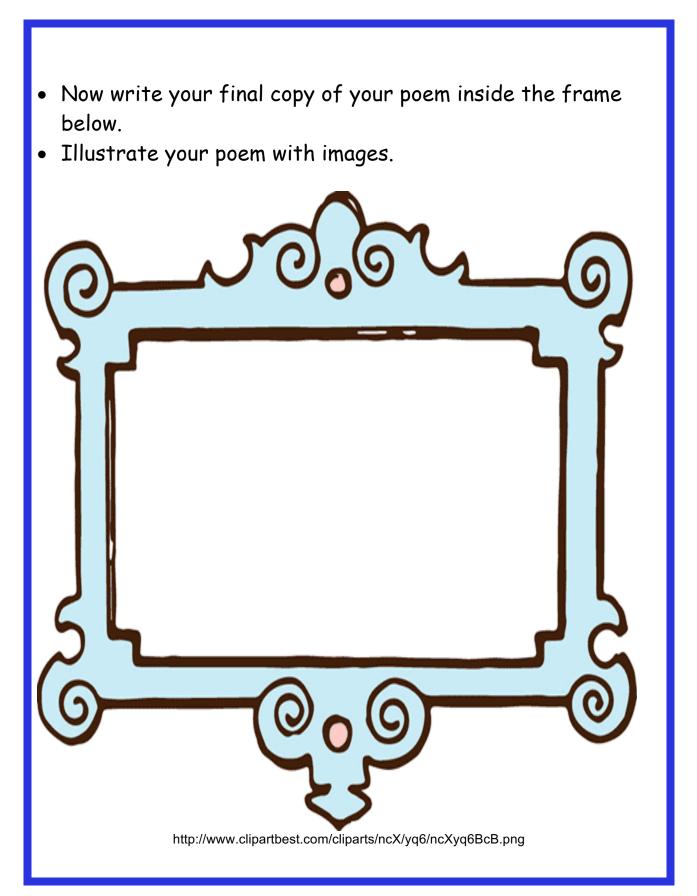
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do this task?	Trailblazer (like an expert) ☺	Pathfinder (like a helper) ☺	Rookie (Not Yet) ☺
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- Now go back and edit (add more details and make changes to your map).
- Then make changes to your web outline.
- Now it is time to write the first draft of your poem. You can make it with one verse (pathfinder) or four verses (trailblazer).
- Put your first draft verse here on every other line.
- To find rhyming words, use the Rhyming Mountain (p. 14).

• Now give yourself some points for your work.

Self	Neighborhood Poem	Teacher
	used powerful verbs	
	has alliteration	
	good use of rhyme	
	changes made to each line in verse	
	draft written on every	
	other line (to make room for edits)	
тот	AL = /20 possible p	points



# **STEP OUTSIDE: Poetry Recital (20 points)** 1. You will recite one original and one other poem to your classmates at a Poetry Recital.

on: \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Choose a poem with at least 3 or 4 verses.

3. Pick a poem you really like.

4. You will use your outside voice for all to hear!

5. You may add hand and body movement, too!

6. At the end the audience will guess why you chose the poem.

7. You can wear a costume if you like.

8. Practice with a partner MANY times.

9. Memorize your poem for best results!

10. Listen to some oral poems read on-line:

http://www.poetryfoundation.org/resources/children/video

• http://www.poetryfoundation.org/features/video/series/detail/74646...

• Place a ? (not yet), 1 (some), or 2 on the left to score points about your poetry reading aloud.

Self	Speaking Skills	Teacher
	stressed key words in poem	
	volume good for audience to hear	
	pace was good for all to follow	
	costume/props suited poem	
	poem was memorized. (You crushed it!)	

How well did you write & recite rhyming poems with alliteration?	 	Rookie (Not Yet)

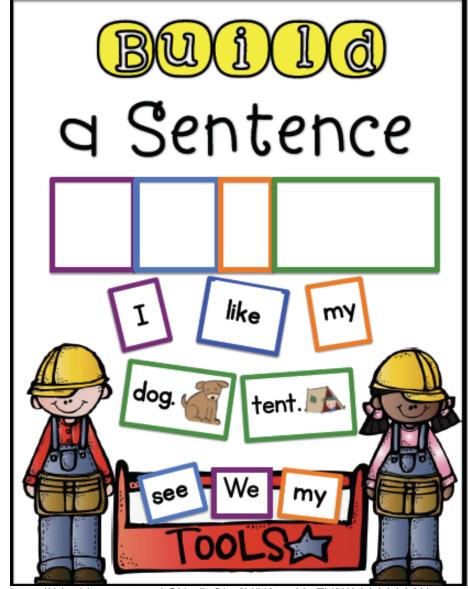


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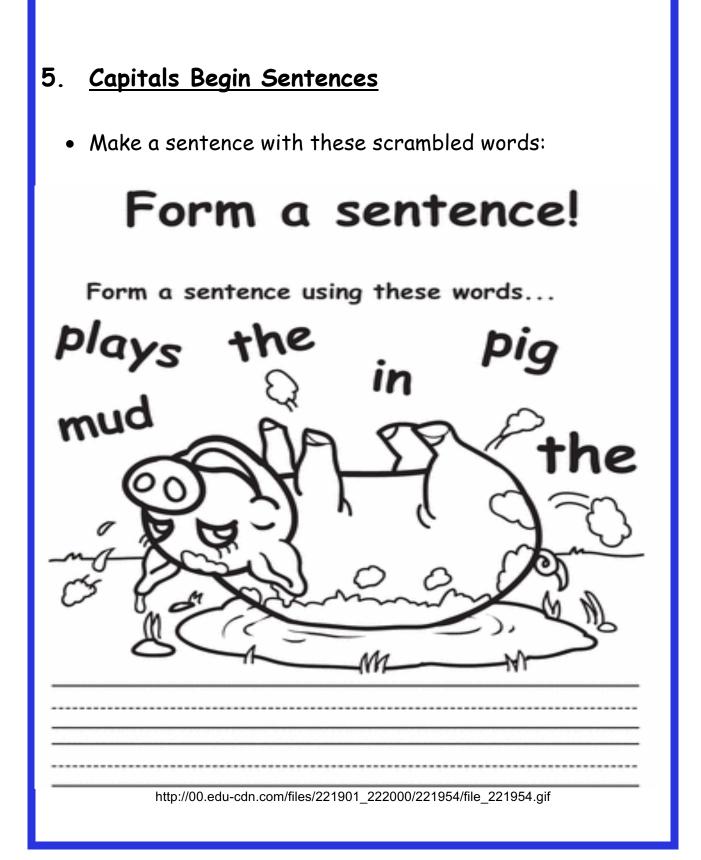
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Dear,		
Your teacher,		
Dear,		
Your student,		

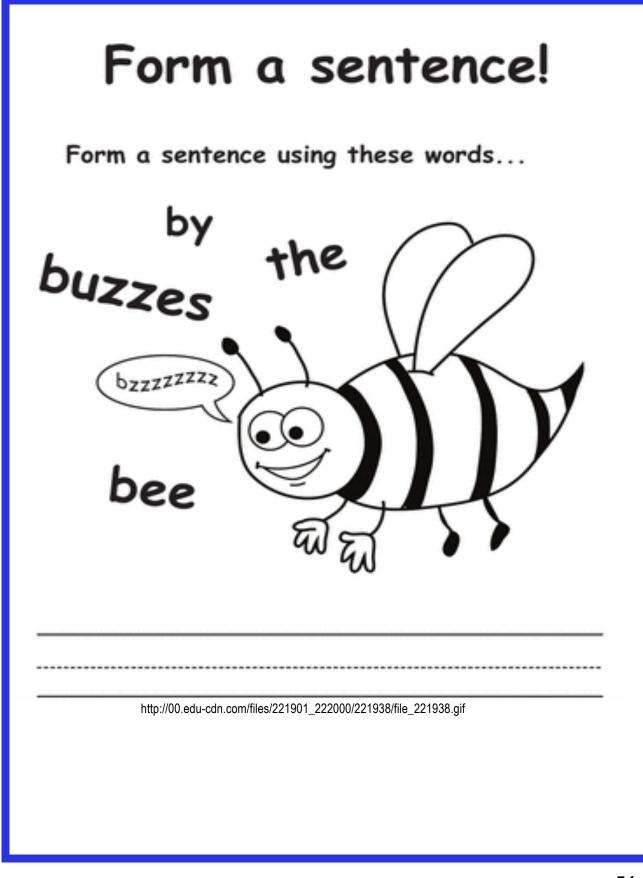
## Strong Sentences

Primary students know how to make sentences - that are built to last! There are four different kinds of sentences that have their own special endings.



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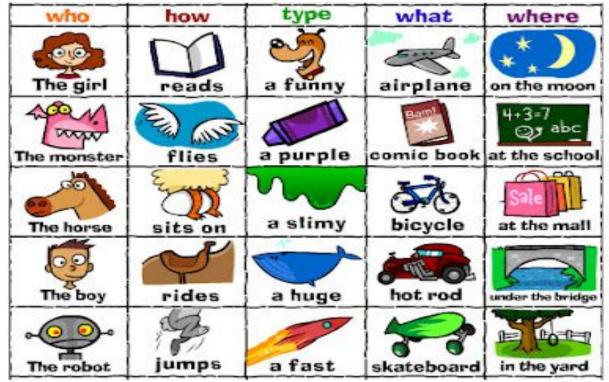
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dog runs. T	he	3			
the dog roll	the dog rolls around				
The sits dog.					
the dog chews the bone					
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How well did I do this task?	Trailblazer (like an expert) ☺	Pathfinder (like a helper) ©	Rookie (Not Yet) ©		

- Play the Mixed-Up Sentence Game with people and sentence word cards.
- What's the fastest time you can make a sentence?



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• Print out 5 sentences using the following Sentence Builder Chart:



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Watch this vide https://www.youtube.co Now let's think o I sentences begin	om/watch?v=0Wrv_Zv about how sente		nd end.
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		EI	۹.
How well did I do this task?	Trailblazer (like an expert) ☺	Pathfinder (like a helper) ☺	Rookie (Not Yet) ©

## 6. End Punctuation

Sentences	End with	Example
Make a	•	The campers paddled to the
statement.	(period)	portage.
Ask	?	When is the best time to go
questions	(question	canoe tripping?
	mark)	
Show	Į	The guide tripped on a root and
excitement	(exclamation	dropped the canoe!
	point)	
Give an	•	Stay low in the canoe so you
order	(period)	won't tip.

# **Punctuation**

 I am for telling

 I am for yelling

 I am for yelling

 I am for asking

 Period

 Exclamation

 Mark

 Question

 Mark

 ?

• Put the end punctuation on each sentence - to make it a complete sentence.

What	is	your	name
------	----	------	------

My name is Max

Where are you

I am at the zoo

Be careful

Can you see the lion

I see the lion

Run away now

I am fine

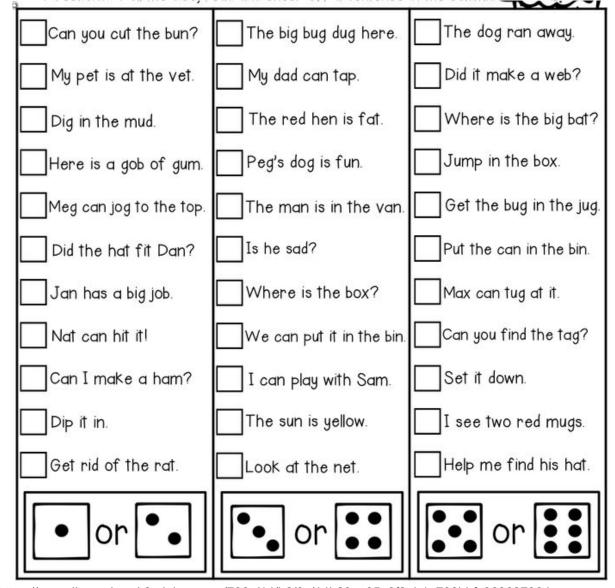
## Stop it right now

How well did I	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
do this task?	(like an expert)	(like a helper)	(Not Yet) 😊
	$\odot$	$\odot$	

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i	love o	ags		
t	he mo	an jumps u	qu	
		******		
1	we are	happy		
r	ny pig	is very big	g	
t	he girl	hops and	d skips	
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ow we	ell did I task?	Trailblazer (like an expert)	Pathfinder (like a helper)	Rookie (Not Yet) ©

# • Highlight each sentence you read aloud to your teacher.



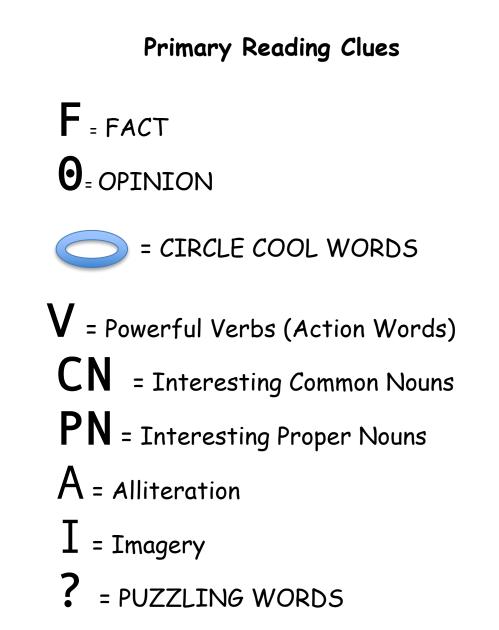
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How well did you use period, question marks, & capitals to start	Pathfinder (Apprentice)	Rookie (Not Yet)
sentences?		

## Tall Tales

## 7. <u>Reading Tall Tales</u>

• Make notes using the following symbols:



• Imagine if someone asked you to bike to 30 km in one day.

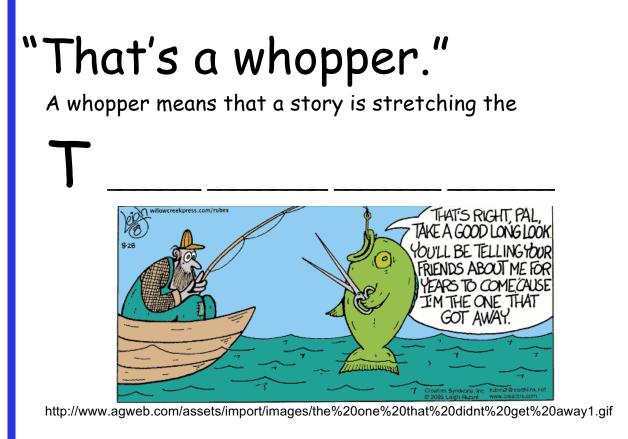
That would be a:

ORDER!

• Listen to Johnny Cash and the puppets on Sesame Street sing about Tall Tales: http://wonderopolis.org/wonder/why-do-they-call-it-a-tall-tale/

### STEP OUTSIDE:

- Go outside with this Learning Log and imagine a tall tale that takes place near our school.
- Draw a picture of the tall tale (and label it) in the space below:



- Let's look at this dictionary definition of a tall tale.
- Your teacher will read it out loud.

# "a story that may or may not be true, but that contains details that are hard to believe."

http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/tall-tale



https://c1.staticflickr.com/9/8262/8604232007\_04560a0609.jpg

• Print these words in the left column of the table to show how each type of story is the same and not the same:

Use these words…	Tall Tale	Nursery Rhyme	Fairy Tale
<ul> <li>sentences</li> </ul>		Same:	
<ul> <li>solves a problem</li> <li>good wins over bad</li> <li>not sentences</li> <li>lots of action</li> <li>rhyming words</li> <li>special or</li> </ul>			
royal people			
• normal people		Different	
<ul> <li>magic</li> <li>not true</li> <li>sounds far fetched</li> <li>can be funny</li> <li>can be real but exaggerated</li> <li>past down by generations as spoken</li> </ul>			

• Your teacher will read aloud this tall tale:

## Why the Porcupine has Quills

Long, long ago, the Porcupines had no quills. One day, a Porcupine was out in the woods. A Bear came along and would have eaten Porcupine, but he managed to get up a tree where the Bear couldn't get him.

The next day Porcupine was out again and he went underneath a hawthorn tree, and he noticed how the thorns pricked him. He broke some branches off and put them on his back, then he

went into the woods. Along came Bear and he jumped on Porcupine, who just curled himself up. The Bear just left him alone because the thorns pricked him so much.



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How well did I	Trailblazer		Rookie
do this task?	(like an expert)		(Not Yet) ©
	$\odot$	$\odot$	

Wenebojo was watching them. He called to Porcupine and asked "How did you think of that trick?" Porcupine told him that he was in danger when Bear was around. Then Wenebojo took some thorns and peeled the bark off of them until they were all white. Then he got some clay and put it all over Porcupine's back and stuck the thorns in it. Wenebojo used his magic to make it into a proper skin, and told Porcupine come with him into the woods.

When they got there, Wenebojo hid behind a tree. Wolf came along and saw Porcupine and jumped on him, but the new quills pricked at him and Wolf ran away. Bear was also afraid of the quills and Porcupine was safe. That is why Porcupines have quills. https://www.mpm.edu/wirp/ICW-141.html

• Now read about:

Mark Anthony Jacobson, a famous aboriginal artist, who paints many colourful images about how we are with nature (animals, birds and fish). He writes about being inspired by the past stories of the Ojibwa people.



The Objibwa Porcupine Clan is called "Gaag Dogem". They are known for their warrior strengths and protective abilities. They teach:

"Try not be afraid to ask for help when you don't know what to do. There are many who will know how to help you. It is okay to...ask questions. That is all part of growing up. It is how we all learn about life."

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In Africa, there is a different tall tale about the porcupine.Look and listen to the following:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5BUDy0-3mfw (African tale)

Try to come up with a tall tale for one or more questions.

Why do polar bears have white fur?	Why do rabbits have big ears?
Why do monkeys have fingers?	Why do cats have claws?
Why do giraffes have long necks?	Why do owls have big eyes?
Why do turtles have shells?	Why do snakes have fangs?
Why do many insects have green bodies?	Why do frill-necked lizards have a frill?
Why do birds have hollow bones?	Why do ducks have webbed feet?
Why do frogs have eyes near the top of their heads?	Why do elephants have flat feet?

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- Choose one question and draw and label a picture that you can use to tell your made-up tall tale to the class.
- You can make up your own question, too!
- Don't forget to put a title on your picture.

Why do
?
Picture to help with Tall Tale Story Telling
WHY
How well did I do this task?Trailblazer (like an expert)Pathfinder (like a helper)Rookie (Not Yet) ©

ET - Wait for turn to talk during class dise	cussions.

ET - Use others' names when speaking.

## 8. <u>Classroom Chats</u>

• Compare the stories during a Classroom Chat:

### **Classroom Chats**

#### TODAY

Porcupines look like ....

#### FEEL

In the Ojibwa Tall Tale	In the African Tall Tale
ACTION	
In the Ojibwa Tall Tale	In the African Tall Tale

#### LIFE LESSONS

Le the Oithewa Tall Tale	In the African Tall Tale
In the Ojibwa Tall Tale	In the African Tall Tale

## WHAT IF?

In the Ojibwa Tall Tale

In the African Tall Tale

#### Famous Tall Tales



• Take a look at these stamps made about famous tall tales.

• Choose a word that you think describes what these characters might have done.

• Talk about what you predict might be happening in each story using this word:

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## Paul Bunyan

**Mighty Casey** 

Pecos Bill

John Henry

#### EXTENSION:

- Listen to the story of John Henry.
- http://www.loving2learn.com/SuperSubjects/ReadingandLanguage/FavoriteStories2/Joh nHenry.aspx

Read about Annie Oakley

#### Annie Oakley

Born - August 13, 1860; Ohio; Died November 3, 1926

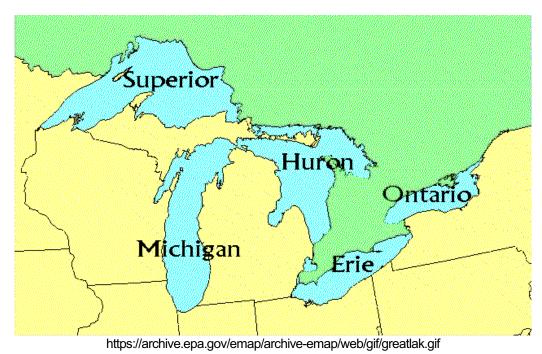


Annie Oakley <real name Phoebe Ann Mosley>, American markswoman...she was often called "Little Sure Shot."...As a child, she hunted game with such success that, according to legend, by selling it ...she was able to pay off the mortgage on the family farm. When she was 15 she won a shooting match in Cincinnati with Frank E. Butler... They were married (probably in 1876), and until 1885 they played...circuses as "Butler and Oakley"...In April 1885, Annie Oakley...joined "Buffalo Bill" Cody's Wild West Show. Billed as "Miss Annie Oakley, the Peerless Lady Wing-Shot," she was one of the show's star attractions for 16 years...Oakley's...feats of marksmanship were truly incredible. At 30 paces she could split a playing card, and she hit dimes tossed into the air...She was a great success on the Wild West Show's European trips. In 1887 she was presented to Queen Victoria...A train wreck in 1901 left her partially paralyzed for a time, but

she recovered and returned to the stage to amaze audiences for many more years. https://www.britannica.com/biography/Annie-Oakley-American-markswoman

#### Tall Tales and the Great Lakes

• Trace around the map of the Great Lakes.



## Tall Tales and a Few Facts

...I picked up a book about the natural history of the Great Lakes... My mind wandered and I started to think about something Michael said a few days ago. A flock of geese was sitting on the frozen harbor, huddled together. Michael recalled a folktale, which he thought was a Paul Bunyan tale. In the story, Bunyan was asked to free a flock of birds that had been frozen to the water. Bunyan, with his legendary strength, lifted the whole flock of birds still attached to the ice, and carried them many miles away. He set them all down and formed one of the Great Lakes... Imagine, if you can, the excitement that was caused by the birth of Paul Bunyan! It took five giant storks, working overtime, to deliver him to his parents. He...grew so fast the after one week he had to wear his father's clothes...Paul's clothing was so large they had to use wagon wheels for buttons. They used a lumber wagon drawn by a team of oxen as a baby carriage...He would eat forty bowls of porridge...On his first birthday his father gave him a pet blue ox named Babe...

When Paul was short of help, he trained some enormous ants to do all kinds of logging work. They weighed over 2,000 pounds and...did the work of 50 ordinary men.

Lucy, the Purple Cow, was a champion producer and furnished Paul's dairy products. She was contented so long as the grass was green, so in the winter Paul fitted her with green glasses to make the snow look like grass. The year of the two winters it got so cold her milk turned to ice cream before it hit the pail. That was the winter Paul invented the double-deck ice cream cone.



http://paulbtalltale.weebly.com/uploads/1/5/8/6/15868636/5489155\_orig.jpg

# STEP OUTSIDE:

- Look at the landscape and think of a tall tale that can explain something in the nature around us.
- Let's read about the local tall tale of Wiarton Willie.

#### Wiarton Willie

**Wiarton Willie** was a Canadian groundhog who lived in the community of Wiarton in Bruce County, Ontario. Every February 2, on Groundhog Day, Willie took part in the local *Wiarton Willie Festival*. His role is to predict whether there will be an early spring...

The story of Wiarton Willie dates back to 1956. A Wiarton resident named Macklemore McKenzie wanted to showcase his childhood home to his many friends...A year later, about 50 people arrived for the festival...

Wiarton Willie himself is a more recent addition to the festivities... Willie appeared on the scene in the 1980s. Wiarton Willie's predictive powers are...claimed locally to be accurate...around 90 per cent of the time, although scientific studies show groundhog predictions to have a success rate of more like 37 per cent.



http://www.clipartkid.com/images/546/on-groundhog-day-you-can-find-free-groundhog-clipart-to-use-too-3UTSYK-clipart.jpg

The original Wiarton Willie lived to the...age of 22, and was found dead...two days before Groundhog Day in 1999. The organizers ...marked Groundhog Day by revealing "Willie" in a coffin. He had been dressed in a tuxedo, had coins over his eyes, and a carrot between his paws...

The new Wiarton Willie is also known as "Wee Willie," and is another albino groundhog...The actual number of different groundhogs known as "Wiarton Willie" is unknown, as previous replacements were not reported; however, the average life span of a groundhog is four to nine years.

Groundhog Day in Wiarton is a major celebration, with dances, parades, ice hockey tournaments, curling bonspiels, pancake breakfasts, darts and snooker tournaments, sleigh rides, a Monte Carlo Night and a fish fry. Around 10,000 people are said to attend. It has been called "one the most popular events in Ontario"...

Other towns throughout North America are known to have winterpredicting groundhogs:

- Punxsutawney Phil (Pennsylvania)...
- Staten Island Chuck (New York)...
- Balzac Billy (in Alberta)...
- Gary the Groundhog (Kleinburg, Ontario)
- Dundas Donna (Toronto, Ontario)
- Fred "la marmotte de Quebec"

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wiarton\_Willie

 Put a "T" if this statement is true for tall tales or an "F" if you think it is false.

True or False:

Tall tales use many exaggerations.

Tall tales have magic in them.

\_\_ The main character in a tall tale has a problem to solve.

\_ The main character in a tall tale is bigger than life and has super-human abilities.

The plot of a tall tale is funny and impossible.

- \_ In the end of a tall tale, the main character solves a problem, overcomes an obstacle and/or defeats a "bad guy."
  - A tall tale includes lots of action.

# **Classroom Chats**

TODAY

Groundhogs look like ....

FEEL - How did you feel about Wiarton Willie?

ACTION - What actions happen in the story?

LIFE LESSONS - Are there any lessons to be learned?

**WHAT IF?** - Talk about what if something else happened in the tale.

How well did you wait for turn to talk during class discussions?	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
	(Expert)	(Apprentice)	(Not Yet)
How well did you use others' names when speaking?	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
	(Expert)	(Apprentice)	(Not Yet)

ET - Write a tall tale & change the ending of an existing fairy tale.

# 9. <u>Writing Twisted Tales</u>

## Twisted Tales:

- Take a tall tale or fairy tale and change its' ending.
- Draw and label two pictures to help you tell two tales, one with the old ending, and the other with the new ending.

OLD ENDING	NEW ENDING
<ul> <li>Share your tale and twist</li> </ul>	ted tale with the class

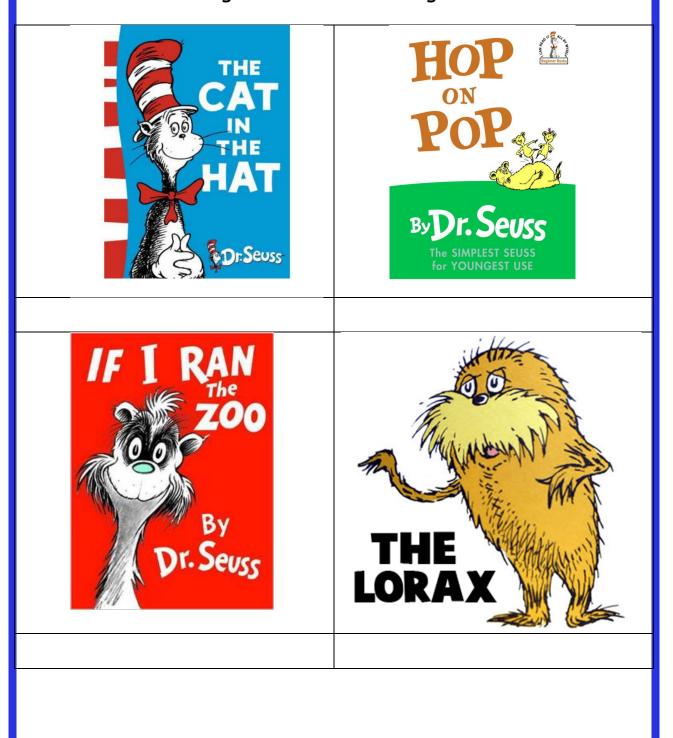
How well did you write a tall tale & change	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
the ending of an existing fairy tale?	(Expert)	(Apprentice)	(Not Yet)

# Tall Tales Have Action

• Listen to a tall tale from your library and answer these questions about the action in the story. (Your teacher will record your ideas.)

Who is doing the action?	
What is the action?	
When did the action	Beginning
	middle or
happen in the story?	
	end?
Where did the action	
happen?	
Why did the action	
happen?	
How did the action	
happen?	
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- Look at the following Dr. Seuss Book covers.
- Choose a word to guess what action might be in each book.



# Action in the Area

• Choose action words from the box and print them under the pictures that match.



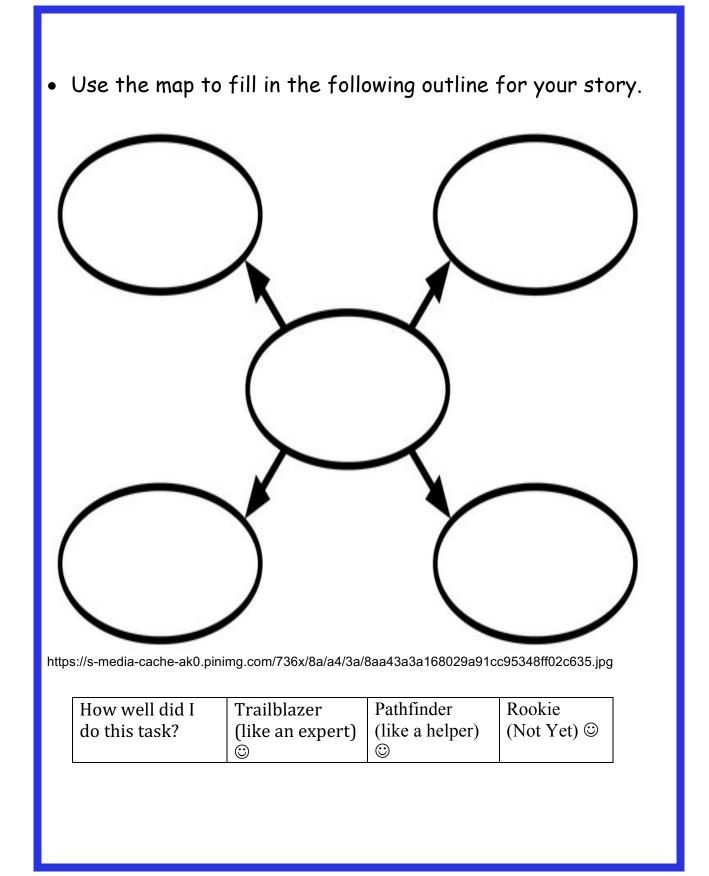
# Original Tall Tale

- Now it's time to write your own tall tale.
- Sing the "story builders song" again to help you think about ideas for your story.

#### Step 1. Picture the ideas

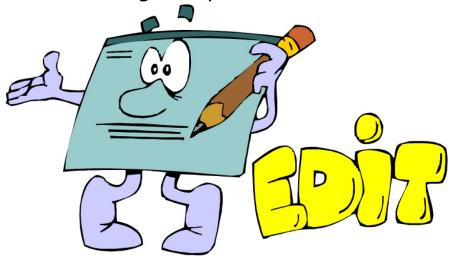
• Draw an image of your tall tale story that answers the questions: who, what, when and where.

# My Tall Tale Story



# STEP OUTSIDE:

- Now go back and edit (add more details and make changes to your map).
- Then make changes to your web outline.



http://ianbrooksauthor.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/editing.jpg

# Step 2. Draft First Sentences

- Now it is time to write your first draft of your story.
- Make sure your tall tale has:

Beginning, middle and end

Action

A problem

A hero or shero that is has exaggerated abilities

A solution

Creative ideas

Cool setting

Uses words that create images

<ul> <li>Put your story here <u>on every other line</u>.</li> </ul>

How well did I	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
	(like an expert)	(like a helper)	(Not Yet) 🙂

#### <u>Step 3 – Edit your draft</u>

Word Alert - Take a look at the word choices and use a thesaurus to make changes so you can score some more points on the Word Alert Chart.

WORD ALERT CHART		
List 3 Action Verbs	List 7 words that paint an image	
Teacher Score:		
	/10 points	
*When you have at l	east 8 points you can move on to the	
"Speak and Listen" task!		

<u>Step 4. Advise and Revise</u> - You and a classmate will take turns reading your tall tale drafts. Find as many ways as you can to make changes to most sentences in your draft.

• First read your draft out loud (slowly), so you or your partner can edit as you read.

• Then your partner will read your draft out loud so you can find more places to edit.

Score Your Draft!

Solf Score		Teacher
	2 = got it 1 = Almost NY = Not Yet	reacher
THIS TALL		
	is original	
	has an interesting setting	
	has a hero or shero who has special skills	
	has a smooth beginning, middle and end	
	has good words that paint a picture for reader	
	uses great action verbs	
	has a clear introductory and concluding sentence	
	has at least one change made to each sentence	
	uses accurate punctuation (capitals, periods, question marks)	
	is double-spaced	
TOTAL =	out of 40	points

- Now give yourself some points for your work
- Then show your teacher who will fill in points, too.
- When you have reached at least 32 points, you can move on to make your final tall tale.

#### <u>Step 5 - Final Copy</u>

- Print your polished copy on every line on long skinny paper.
- Create a captivating title!
- This paper will be the body of your hero or shero. See example below:



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- Then make the head and feet of your hero or shero using coloured paper and a pencil.
- After using the pencil to make details of the head and feet you can trace overtop of the pencil with magic marker.
- Hand in your tall tale to your teacher who will give out more points for your work.

#### Tall Tale - FINAL COPY

2 = Got it! 1 = Almost NY = Not Yet

#### This tall tale...

has a captivating title

used periods, question marks, and/or exclamation marks properly

used accurate spelling and use of capitals

stayed on task and completed work on time

printed neatly on EVERY LINE

TOTAL

/10 points

# 10. Story Telling

ET - Use interested body look during class talks & dramatic play.

- Now prepare to tell your tall tale during Story Telling Week or during Morning Assemblies.
- Why do we need to speak and share our tall tales?
- Circle the letter(s) below that answer this question:

We practice speaking skills so we can:

- (a) tell stories in sentences
- (b) add sound to words in stories
- (c) solve problems together
- (d) answer questions and be heard by all
- (e) ask questions and be heard by all
- (f) talk in pairs, in a group and in class
- (g) let others know we have something to share
- (h) make friends



http://www.brandstories.net/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/Brand-Storyteller.png

- You will now be a story teller AND
- You will also have different jobs as an audience member.
- As a story teller, you will tell your story and then lead a brief discussion afterwards.

#### 1. How to tell your tall tale...

• Use the words first, then, next and finally, to tell your story in four parts.

First		
Then		
Next		
Finally		

<ul> <li>Put a check beside each "I will" statements to show</li> </ul>			
that you will practice and perform your tall tale well.			
I will tell my story using the words "First" at the			
beginning, "Then" and "Next" in the middle. and			
"Finally" at the end.			
I will use words that are kind to all people.			
I will use words that are interesting for my			
audience.			
I will use interesting words from books.			
I will stay on topic when telling my story.			
I will not repeat ideas.			
I will speak with a voice that all can hear.			
I will look at each audience member.			
I will "act out" my character to add some			
excitement to my story.			
I will make my voice sound like the hero or shero.			
I will wear a costume or use props that fit the			
story.			

<ul> <li>2. How to lead the discussion after storytelling</li> <li>Ask each audience member to share their ideas.</li> <li>Thank the audience member for sharing.</li> <li>Respond to what each audience member shares.</li> <li>Stay on topic.</li> <li>Do not repeat ideas.</li> <li>Speak with a voice that all can hear.</li> <li>Look at each audience member.</li> <li>Smile and make the audience member feel important.</li> </ul>
3. How to be an audience member
BePOLITE by:
Being Q and Listen to each tall tale.
Keeping yours on the storyteller.
Not MOVING around during story telling.
Do not TERRUPT CLASSMATES.
ING ©

4. How to do each audience job	4.	How	to	do	each	audience	job
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### Before the story

• After viewing the picture on one final copy, what do you predict the story will be about?

*I predict \_\_\_\_\_\_ story will be about....* 

• Draw and label a picture of your prediction:

<ul> <li>Select a different "role" from "roles".</li> </ul>	n the popsicle stick jar of
MAIN IDEA CHECKER:	COOL VOICE and ACTION
What is the main idea of the	CHECKER:
story?	Did the story teller's voice
Is this story like another	make you like the hero/
story you have heard?	shero?
Have you had anything like	Did the story teller's face
this happen to you before?	help you feel for the
	hero/shero?
WHY CHECKER:	CRYSTAL BALL CHECKER:
What do you think the story	What do you think might
teller wants you to learn or	happen next in the story?
believe?	
NEW WORD ALERT	WHAT IF CHECKER:
CHECKER:	What would the story be like
Did the storyteller use words	if the story teller told it
from stories we have read	from the mother or father of
this year?	the hero or sheros point of
	view?
RESPECT CHECKER:	FICTION CHECKER:
Listen to the story to make	How do you know the story is
sure the words chosen were	fiction?
kind words.	
Did the story teller use words	
that helped or hurt people?	

(a) I liked it...

- (b) It was Okay...
- (c) I didn't like it...

because....

• Place a ? (not yet), 1 (some), or 2 on the left to score points for your storytelling.

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Self	Speaking Skills	Teacher
	stressed key words in tall tale	
	volume good for audience to hear	
	pace was good for all to follow	
	costume/props suited story	
	tall tale was memorized (you crushed it!)	
-	rou use interested body ass talks & dramatic play? Trailblazer (Expert) Pathfinder (Apprentice)	Rookie (Not Yet)

# Action Stories

ET - Predict how action stories might end.

Fiction is any piece of writing that is not a true story. Fiction is a made-up story or poem.

# • Draw a picture of the kind of book you find in a:

Fiction Book	STEM Library Book

<ul> <li>Print the first line of a STEM book and the first line of a fiction book.</li> </ul>		
First line of STEM Book:		

·			
How well did I	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie

of a fiction book? Talk about it with a classmate.

• Look at the book covers of the following fiction stories and predict what you think might happen in each book.

Fred and Ted Go Camping A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	A C SP SP SP SP SP SP SP SP SP SP SP SP SP	ampin wit Mr. M.	ng. h agee
How well did you predict how action stories	Trailblazer	Pathfinder	Rookie
might end?	(Expert)	(Apprentice)	(Not Yet)

• Your teacher will read a summary about the two books to see if your predictions were close or not...

Fred and Ted Go Camping, by Peter Eastman Fred and Ted—beloved canine stars of P. D. Eastman's Big Dog...Little Dog are back in an all-new Beginner Book written and illustrated by P.D.'s son, Peter Eastman! In this story Fred and Ted go camping, and as usual, their uniquely different approaches to doing things (such as packing equipment, setting up camp, and fishing techniques) have humorous—and sometimes surprising results.

# A Camping Spree with Mr. Magee

<u>A Camping Spree With Mr. Magee</u>, by Chris Van Dusen Mr. Magee and his trusty dog, Dee, are enjoying a peaceful camping trip when all of a sudden they find themselves plunging down a mountain and teetering on the edge of a huge waterfall! How will they find their way out of this slippery situation? Chris Van Dusen, the creator of Down to the Sea with Mr. Magee, has filled this new adventure with charming illustrations and a playful, rhyming text.

# • What do you think is an important part of each story?

Fred and Ted Go Camping	A Camping Spree with Mr. Magee.

Trailblazer (like an expert)	· · · ·	Rookie (Not Yet) ©
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Teacher Story - Your teacher will read an action story.

• After the story retell it using the words:

"In the beginning of the story..."

"In the middle of the story..."

"At the end of the story...

• Then complete these sentences:

The problem in this story is \_\_\_\_\_

I wonder if
This story reminds me
The ending of this story made me feel
What do you think these questions mean? • Is there another side to this story?
<ul> <li>Would the story be different if a different character were telling it?</li> </ul>

**EXTENSION:** Create a group story to share using puppets for characters you make in art class:

• How well did the story teller use props to help tell the story?

**STEP OUTSIDE:** Listen to The Camping Trip action story written by a Grade 2 student.

- Try and follow along with the reader.
- Make a class list of the action words and the words that help paint a picture in your head.

The Camping Trip by Larshi, Grade 2

One day a school went for a four-day camping trip. When they got to the camping side it was dark, they relaxed and had their dinner and went to bed.

The next day they woke up very early. After they had breakfast they decided to go tramping. They walked very far, and later a group of children saw a cave and they were excited and curious to see what was inside. So, the children went inside the cave. When they went further on, they saw a river. The kids walked and walked until they saw some lights. The lights were only glow worms.

Meanwhile the other kids and their teachers were still having a walk in a different area. The children spent a long time in the cave and enjoyed the pretty lights of the glow worms.

Just then the children noticed that there was a bear sleeping in a dark corner behind the glow worms. One of the child screamed "lets run away"! So, all of the children ran away.

They were hoping that the other children and their teachers were waiting outside for them. But they were not there. Luckily one of the children had brought a compass. So, they could tell which way they had come from. They were sad because they had missed the walk with their teachers and the classmates. The teachers checked if all of the children were there or not. Mrs Tilt said "I have lost three students from my class".

Then Mr. Tom said I have lost two students from my class. Miss Wilson said "we are missing five kid's altogether". Mrs. Wright said they might be back at camping side. So all of the children and the teachers walked back to the camping side.

When they got to the camping side the children and the teachers saw all the five missing students. Mrs. Wright asked "where have you been all that time"! One of the children explained their exciting time in the cave and we all ran out of when we saw a bear. Mrs. Wright said tomorrow you must stay with the rest of the school mates. Later the teachers arranged a barbeque dinner with meat, fish and sausages.

After some time they all went into their tents for sleep. The next day they went rowing and 12 people could fit in one canoe. After they finished rowing they had a skipping race. A girl in grade 2 named Lilly won the race.

The last two days the children had number of group activities. The children were grouped into four groups. First monkey bars next the flying fox then the children had to go down the slide. After lunch they had an egg and spoon race. The last day we had a marathon race. A group called super stars were the fastest and they won. The whole trip was so exciting and they returned home that evening. http://www.write4fun.net/view-entry/77096

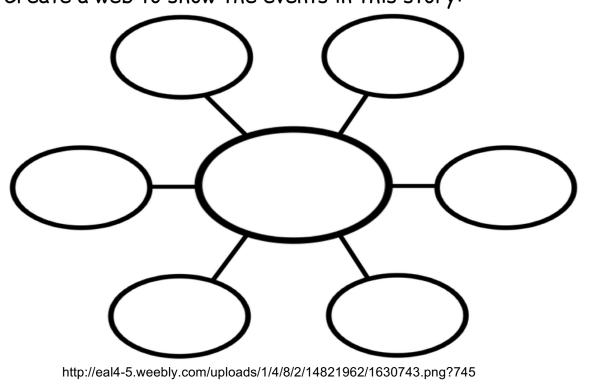
- Illustrate the story in the spaces in between the text.
- Circle the words that show action.
- There were words that the writer left out. Edit them back in.
- The author talks about the camp "side". What do you think she meant?

# C a m p \_\_\_\_\_

Were you surprised by anything in this story?

# Yes or No

• Create a web to show the events in this story:



- Discuss in a small group:
  - (a) What else could have happened to the children who ran away from the rest of the class?
  - (b) How did the girls' actions show how they were feeling?

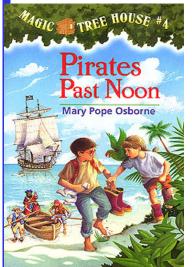
They \_\_\_\_\_ because they were feeling

(c) Do you think the teacher was fair to the kids who ran away?

(d) How would you change the ending of this story?

 Trailblazer (like an expert)		Rookie (Not Yet) ☺
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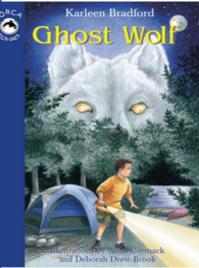
• It's time to read and compare stories. Read these summaries and decide which one you think might have a more interesting adventure.



# **Pirates Past Noon**

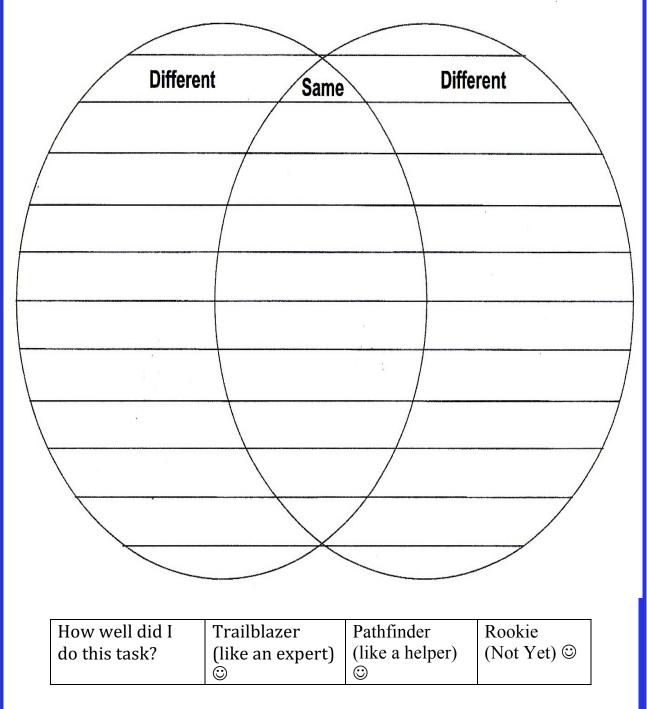
by Mary Pope Osborne This is a *Magic Tree House* perennial favorite, and how could it not be... it involves pirates and adventure and buried treasure! In this book, Jack and Annie are whisked back in time to a deserted island and right in the midst of a pirate treasure hunt. With the usual drama and suspense characteristic of this series, the two kids need to solve a dilemma (in this case, finding the buried treasure)

without getting into too much trouble (being captured by pirates)!



**Ghost Wolf** by Kathleen Bradford For the first time in his life, Matt knew terror. He had heard of being frozen with fear. Well, now he was. He could not move. He tried hard to see into the darkness. He tried to hear if the wolf was coming nearer. But he could see nothing. All he could hear was the sound of raindrops landing all around him. Then, right in front of him, a white form took shape. Matt is desperate to fit in at

summer camp. One night he gets lost when he goes off on his own to retrieve a forgotten life preserver. A wolf appears and Matt overcomes his fears and follows it. He finds a half-wolf, half-dog pup whose mother is dead. Is the big wolf who guides him the same wolf that his father rescued years before from a trap?  Read or listen to the two stories and then fill in the following Venn Diagram (for 20 points) about what is the same and different:



<u>After Thoughts -</u> What I Know About				
A consonant				
A vowel				
A sentence				
A verb				
What I Know About fiction				
What I Know About tall tales				
How well did I do this task?Trailblazer (like an expert)Pathfinder (like a helper)Rookie (Not Yet) ©😳😳				

Teacher Telegram			
Dear,			
Your teacher,			
 Dear ,			
 Sincerely your student,			

Learning Log	Points
Printing is neat	
Diagrams are neat	
Diagrams are well labeled	
Work is complete	
Creative ideas are used	
TOTAL (up to 10 points)	
Classroom Work	Points
Worked well on task with other students	
during paired or group activity	
Worked well on own	
Helped others when needed	
Used books and materials with care	
Tried some extension activities	
TOTAL (up to 10 points)	

# Appendix A: Ontario Ministry of Education and Training ELA Expectations

#### ELA 1A: GRADE 1 ORAL COMMUNICATION

ELA1A.1.1 identify purposes for listening in a few different situations, formal and informal

ELA1A.1.3 identify a few listening comprehension strategies and use them before, during, and after listening in order to understand and clarify the meaning of oral texts, initially with support and direction

ELA1A.1.4 demonstrate an understanding of the information and ideas in oral texts by retelling the story or restating the information, including the main idea

ELA1A.1.5 use stated and implied information and ideas in oral texts, initially with support and direction, to make simple inferences and reasonable predictions

ELA1A.1.6 extend understanding of oral texts by connecting the ideas in them to their own knowledge and experience; to other familiar texts, including print and visual texts; and to the world around them

ELA1A.1.7 identify words or phrases that indicate whether an oral text is fact or fiction, initially with support and direction

ELA1A.1.8 begin to identify, with support and direction, who is speaking in an oral text and the point of view expressed by the speaker

ELA1A.1.9 begin to identify some of the presentation strategies used in oral texts and explain how they influence the audience

ELA1A.2.1 identify a few purposes for speaking

ELA1A.2.2 demonstrate an understanding of appropriate speaking behaviour in a few different situations, including paired sharing and small- and large-group discussions

ELA1A.2.3 communicate ideas and information orally in a clear, coherent manner

ELA1A.2.4 choose appropriate words to communicate their meaning accurately and engage the interest of their audience

ELA1A.3.2 begin to identify how their skills as viewers, representers, readers, and writers help them improve their oral communication skills

1B. GRADE 1 READING

ELA1B.1.1 read a few different types of literary texts

ELA1B.1.2 identify a few different purposes for reading and choose reading materials appropriate for those purposes

ELA1B.1.3 identify a few reading comprehension strategies and use them before, during, and after reading to understand texts, initially with support and direction

ELA1B.1.4 demonstrate understanding of a text by retelling the story..., including the main idea

ELA1B.1.6 extend understanding of texts by connecting the ideas in them to their own knowledge and experience, to other familiar texts, and to the world around them

ELA1B.1.7 identify the main idea and a few elements of texts, initially with support and direction

ELA1B.1.8 express personal thoughts and feelings about what has been read

ELA1B.1.9 begin to identify, with support and direction, the speaker and the point of view presented in a text and suggest a possible alternative perspective

ELA1B.2.1 identify and describe the characteristics of a few simple text forms, with a focus on literary texts such as a simple fictional story

ELA 1B.3.1 automatically read and understand some high-frequency words and words of personal interest or significance, in a variety of reading contexts

ELA1B.3.2 predict the meaning of and solve unfamiliar words using different types of cues, including: • semantic (meaning) cues (e.g., familiar words, phrases, sentences, and visuals that activate existing knowledge of oral and written language); • syntactic (language structure) cues

ELA1B.3.3 read appropriate, familiar texts at a sufficient rate and with sufficient expression to convey the sense of the text to the reader

#### 1C - GRADE 1 WRITING

ELA1C.1.1 identify the topic, purpose, audience, and form for writing, initially with support and direction...

ELA1C.1.3 gather information to support ideas for writing in a variety of ways and/or from a variety of sources

ELA1C.1.4 sort ideas and information for their writing in a variety of ways, with support and direction

ELA1C.1.5 identify and order main ideas and supporting details, initially with support and direction, using simple graphic organizers and simple organizational patterns

ELA1C.1.6 determine, after consultation with the teacher and peers, whether the ideas and information they have gathered are suitable for the purpose

ELA1C.2.1 write short texts using a few simple forms

ELA1C.2.2 begin to establish a personal voice in their writing by using pictures and words that convey their attitude or feeling towards the subject or audience

ELA1C.2.3 use familiar words and phrases to convey a clear meaning

ELA1C.2.4 write simple but complete sentences that make sense

ELA1C.2.6 identify elements of their writing that need improvement, including content, organization, and style, using feedback from the teacher and peers

ELA1C.2.7 make simple revisions to improve the content, clarity, and interest of their written work, using a few simple strategies (

ELA1C.2.8 produce revised draft pieces of writing to meet criteria identified by the teacher, based on the expectations

ELA1C.3.1 spell some high-frequency words correctly

ELA1C.3.2 spell unfamiliar words using a variety of strategies that involve understanding sound-symbol relationships, word structures, and word meanings

ELA1C.3.3 confirm spellings and word meanings or word choice using one or two resources

ELA1C.3.4 use punctuation to help communicate their intended meaning, with a focus on the use of: a capital letter at the beginning of a sentence; a period, question mark, or exclamation mark at the end

ELA1C.3.5 use parts of speech appropriately to communicate their meaning clearly, with a focus on the use of ... verbs to tell what they do and feel...

ELA1C.3.6 proofread and correct their writing using a simple checklist or a few guiding questions posted by the teacher for reference

ELA1C.3.8 produce pieces of published work to meet criteria identified by the teacher, based on the expectations

ELA1C.4.3 select pieces of writing they think show their best work and explain the reasons for their selection

#### 2A. GRADE 2 ORAL COMMUNICATION

ELA2A.1.1 identify purposes for listening in a variety of situations...to exchange ideas in a small-group discussion; to enjoy and understand poetry

ELA2A.1.3 identify several listening comprehension strategies and use them before, during, and after listening in order to understand and clarify the meaning of oral texts

ELA2A.1.4 demonstrate an understanding of the information and ideas in oral texts by retelling the story..., including the main idea and several interesting details

ELA2A.1.6 extend understanding of oral texts by connecting the ideas in them to their own knowledge and experience; to other familiar texts, including print and visual texts; and to the world around them

ELA2A.2.2 demonstrate an understanding of appropriate speaking behaviour in a variety of situations, including paired sharing and small- and large-group discussions

ELA2A.2.3 communicate ideas, opinions, and information orally in a clear, coherent manner using simple but appropriate organizational patterns

ELA2A.2.4 choose a variety of appropriate words and phrases to communicate their meaning accurately and engage the interest of their audience

ELA2A.2.7 use a few different visual aids,

#### 2B. GRADE 2 READING

ELA2B.1.1 read some different literary texts

ELA2B.1.2 identify several different purposes for reading and choose reading materials appropriate for those purposes

ELA2B.1.3 identify several reading comprehension strategies and use them before, during, and after reading to understand texts

ELA2B.1.4 demonstrate understanding of a text by retelling the story or restating information from the text, with the inclusion of a few interesting details

ELA2B.1.5 use stated and implied information and ideas in texts to make simple inferences and reasonable predictions about them

ELA2B.1.6 extend understanding of texts by connecting the ideas in them to their own knowledge and experience, to other familiar texts, and to the world around them

ELA2B.1.7 identify the main idea and some additional elements of texts

ELA2B.1.8 express personal thoughts and feelings about what has been read

ELA2B.1.9 identify, initially with support and direction, the speaker and the point of view presented in a text and suggest one or two possible alternative perspectives

ELA2B.2.1 identify and describe the characteristics of a few simple text forms, with a focus on literary texts such as a fairy tale

ELA2B.2.4 identify some simple elements of style, including voice, word choice, and different types of sentences, and explain how they help readers understand texts

ELA2B.3.1 automatically read and understand many high-frequency words, some words with common spelling patterns, and words of personal interest or significance, in a variety of reading contexts

ELA2B.3.2 predict the meaning of and quickly solve unfamiliar words using different types of cues, including: • semantic (meaning) cues; • syntactic (language structure) cues; • graphophonic (phonological and graphic) cues ; common spelling patterns; words within words; visual features of words such as shape or size)

ELA2B.3.3 read appropriate texts at a sufficient rate and with sufficient expression to convey the sense of the text to the reader and to an audience

#### 2C. GRADE 2 WRITING

ELA2C.1.1 identify the topic, purpose, audience, and form for writing

ELA2C.1.2 generate ideas about a potential topic, using a variety of strategies and resources

ELA2C.1.3 gather information to support ideas for writing in a variety of ways and/or from a variety of sources

ELA2C.1.4 sort ideas and information for their writing in a variety of ways, with support and direction

ELA2C.1.5 identify and order main ideas and supporting details, using graphic organizers...and organizational patterns

ELA2C.1.6 determine whether the ideas and information they have gathered are suitable for the purpose, and gather new material if necessary

ELA2C.2.1 write short texts using several simple forms

ELA2C.2.2 establish a personal voice in their writing, with a focus on using familiar words that convey their attitude or feeling towards the subject or audience

ELA2C.2.3 use familiar words and phrases to communicate relevant details

ELA2C.2.4 use a variety of sentence types

ELA2C.2.6 identify elements of their writing that need improvement, using feedback from the teacher and peers, with a focus on content and word choice

ELA2C.2.7 make simple revisions to improve the content, clarity, and interest of their written work, using several types of strategies

ELA2C.2.8 produce revised, draft pieces of writing to meet criteria identified by the teacher, based on the expectations

ELA2C.3.1 spell many high-frequency words correctly

ELA2C.3.2 spell unfamiliar words using a variety of strategies that involve understanding sound-symbol relationships, word structures, word meanings, and generalizations about spelling

ELA2C.3.3 confirm spellings and word meanings or word choice using a few different types of resources

ELA2C.3.4 use punctuation to help communicate their intended meaning, with a focus on the use of: question marks, periods, or exclamation marks at the end of a sentence...

ELA2C.3.5 use parts of speech appropriately to communicate their meaning clearly, with a focus on the use of: verbs in the simple present and past tenses; joining words

ELA2C.3.6 proofread and correct their writing using a simple checklist or a few guiding questions developed with the teacher and posted for reference

ELA2C.3.7 use some appropriate elements of effective presentation in the finished product, including print, different fonts, graphics, and layout

ELA2C.3.8 produce pieces of published work to meet criteria identified by the teacher, based on the expectations

Portfolio ELA2C.4.3 select pieces of writing that they think show their best work and explain the reasons for their selection

# **Appendix B: Alberta English Language Arts Expectations**

#### **GRADE 1**

AELA1.1.1 Discover and Explore

#### Express ideas and develop understanding

- share personal experiences that are clearly related to oral, print and other media texts
- talk with others about something recently learned
- make observations about activities, experiences with oral, print and other media texts
- Experiment with language and forms
- experiment with different ways of exploring and developing stories, ideas and experiences Express preferences
- express preferences for a variety of oral, print and other media texts
- Set goals
- choose to read and write for and with others

# AELA1.1.2 Clarify and Extend

# Consider the ideas of others

- listen and respond appropriately to experiences and feelings shared by others
- **Combine ideas**
- group ideas and information into categories determined by an adult

#### Extend understanding

ask questions to get additional ideas and information on topics of interest

#### AELA1.2.1 Use Strategies and Cues

#### Use prior knowledge

- use knowledge of how oral language is used in a variety of contexts to construct and confirm meaning
- use previous experience and knowledge of oral language to make connections to the meaning of oral, print and other media texts
- use knowledge of context, pictures, letters, words, sentences, predictable patterns and rhymes in a variety of oral, print and other media texts to construct and confirm meaning
- use knowledge of print, pictures, book covers and title pages to construct and confirm meaning

#### Use comprehension strategies

- use language prediction skills to identify unknown words within the context of a sentence
- use a variety of strategies, such as making predictions, rereading and reading on
- talk about print or other media texts previously read or viewed
- identify the main idea or topic of simple narrative and expository texts
- · identify by sight some familiar words from favourite print texts
- identify high frequency words by sight
- read aloud with some fluency and accuracy, after rehearsal
- self-correct when reading does not make sense, using cues such as pictures, context, phonics, grammatical awareness and background knowledge

#### Use textual cues

- preview book cover, pictures and location of text to assist with constructing and confirming meaning
- use word boundaries, capital letters, periods, question marks and exclamation marks to assist with constructing and confirming meaning during oral and silent reading

#### Use phonics and structural analysis

- segment and blend sounds in words spoken or heard
- use phonic knowledge and skills to read unfamiliar words in context
- use analogy to generate and read phonically regular word families
- associate sounds with letters and some letter clusters

# AELA1.2.2 Respond to Texts

#### Experience various texts

- participate in shared listening, reading and viewing experiences, using oral, print and other media texts from a variety of cultural traditions and genres, such as poems, storytelling by elders, pattern books, audiotapes, stories and cartoons
- illustrate and enact stories, rhymes and songs
- remember and retell familiar stories and rhymes

#### Construct meaning from texts

- relate aspects of stories and characters to personal feelings and experiences
- retell interesting or important aspects of oral, print and other media texts
- tell or represent the beginning, middle and end of stories
- tell, represent or write about experiences similar or related to those in oral, print and other media texts
- tell what was liked or disliked about oral, print and other media texts

#### Appreciate the artistry of texts

- identify how words can imitate sounds and create special effects
- experiment with repetition, rhyme and rhythm to create effects in own oral, print and other media texts

#### AELA1.2.3 Understand Forms, Elements and Techniques

#### Understand forms and genres

- distinguish differences in the ways various oral, print and other media texts are organized
- Understand techniques and elements
- know that stories have beginnings, middles and endings
- tell what characters do or what happens to them in a variety of oral, print and other media texts

#### Experiment with language

• demonstrate interest in repetition, rhyme and rhythm in shared language experiences, such as action songs and word play

#### AELA1.2.4 Create Original Text

#### Generate ideas

• generate and contribute ideas for individual or group oral, print and other media texts

#### Elaborate on the expression of ideas

 change, extend or complete rhymes, rhythms and sounds in pattern stories, poems, nursery rhymes and other oral, print and other media texts

#### Structure texts

- Structure texts
- write, represent and tell brief narratives about own ideas and experiences
- recall and retell or represent favourite stories

#### AELA1.4.1 Enhance and Improve

#### Appraise own and others' work

ask or respond to questions or comments related to the content of own or others' pictures, stories or talk

#### Revise and edit

- rephrase by adding or deleting words, ideas or information to make better sense
- check for obvious spelling errors and missing words

#### Enhance legibility

- print letters legibly from left to right, using lines on a page as a guide
- use appropriate spacing between letters in words and between words in sentences

#### Expand knowledge of language

- identify and use an increasing number of words and phrases related to personal interests and topics of study
- experiment with letters, sounds, words and word patterns to learn new words

#### Enhance artistry

• use words and pictures to add sensory detail in oral, print and other media texts

#### AELA1.4.2 Attend to Conventions

#### Attend to grammar and usage

- speak in complete statements, as appropriate
- write simple statements, demonstrating awareness of capital letters and periods

#### Attend to spelling

- use knowledge of consonant and short vowel sounds to spell phonically regular one syllable words in own writing
- spell phonically irregular high frequency words in own writing
- use phonic knowledge and skills and visual memory to attempt spelling of words needed for writing

#### • know that words have conventionally accepted spellings

#### Attend to capitalization and punctuation

- capitalize the first letter of names
- identify periods, exclamation marks and question marks when reading, and use them to assist comprehension

# AELA1.4.3 Present and Share

## **Present information**

• present ideas and information to a familiar audience, and respond to questions

## Enhance presentation

- add such details as labels, captions and pictures to oral, print and other media texts
- Use effective oral and visual communication
- speak in a clear voice, with appropriate volume, to an audience

# Demonstrate attentive listening and viewing

- ask questions to clarify information
- be attentive and show interest during listening or viewing activities

# AELA1.5.1 Respect Others and Strengthen Community

# Appreciate diversity

• share personal experiences and family traditions related to oral, print and other media texts

# Relate texts to culture

• talk about other times, places and people after exploring oral, print and other media texts from various communities

# Celebrate accomplishments and events

 share ideas and experiences through conversation, puppet plays, dramatic scenes and songs to celebrate individual and class accomplishments

# Use language to show respect

• use appropriate words, phrases and sentences to ask questions, to seek and give assistance, and to take turns

# AELA1.5.2 Work within a Group

# Cooperate with others

- work in partnerships and groups
- help others and ask others for help

#### Work in groups

- ask questions and contribute ideas related to class investigations on topics of interest
- take turns sharing ideas and information

# Evaluate group process

• recognize personal contributions to group process

# GRADE2

# AELA2.1.1 Discover and Explore

# Express ideas and develop understanding

- contribute relevant ideas and information from personal experiences to group language activities
- talk about how new ideas and information have changed previous understanding
- express or represent ideas and feelings resulting from activities or experiences with oral, print and other media texts **Experiment with language and forms**

• use a variety of forms of oral, print and other media texts to organize and give meaning to experiences, ideas and information

# Express preferences

explain why particular oral, print or other media texts are personal favourites

#### Set goals

recognize and talk about developing abilities as readers, writers and illustrators

# AELA2.1.2 Clarify and Extend

# Consider the ideas of others

• connect own ideas and experiences with those shared by others

# AELA2.2.1 Use Strategies and Cues

#### Use prior knowledge

- use knowledge of how oral and written language is used in a variety of contexts to construct and confirm meaning
- connect personal experiences and knowledge of words, sentences and story patterns from previous reading experiences to construct and confirm meaning
- use knowledge of the organizational structures of print and stories, such as book covers, titles, pictures and typical beginnings, to construct and confirm meaning

#### Use comprehension strategies

- use knowledge of oral language to predict words when reading stories and poems
- apply a variety of strategies, such as asking questions, making predictions...
- identify the main idea or topic
- identify by sight an increasing number of high frequency words and familiar words from favourite books
- read aloud with fluency, accuracy and expression
- figure out, predict and monitor the meaning of unfamiliar words to make sense of reading, using cues such as pictures, context, phonics, grammatical awareness and background knowledge

#### Use textual cues

- preview book covers and titles; look for familiar words, phrases and story patterns to assist with constructing and confirming meaning
- use predictable phrases and sentence patterns, and attend to capital letters, periods, question marks and exclamation marks to read accurately, fluently and with comprehension during oral and silent reading

#### Use phonics and structural analysis

- apply phonic rules and generalizations to read unfamiliar words in context
- apply knowledge of long and short vowel sounds to read unfamiliar words in context
- · associate sounds with some vowel combinations and letter clusters to read unfamiliar words in context

#### Use references

- put words in alphabetical order by first letter
- use pictionaries and personal word books to confirm the spellings or locate the meanings of unfamiliar words in oral, print
  and other media texts

#### Experience various texts

- engage in a variety of shared and independent listening, reading and viewing experiences, using oral, print and other media texts from a variety of cultural traditions and genres, such as puppet plays, songs...
- identify favourite kinds of oral, print and other media texts
- model own oral, print and other media texts on familiar forms

#### Construct meaning from texts

- connect situations portrayed in oral, print and other media texts to personal and classroom experiences
- retell the events portrayed in oral, print and other media texts in sequence
- suggest alternative endings for oral, print and other media texts
- discuss, represent or write about interesting or important aspects of oral, print and other media texts
- express thoughts or feelings related to the events and characters in oral, print and other media texts

#### Appreciate the artistry of texts

- identify and use words and sentences that have particular emotional effects
- identify words in oral, print and other media texts that create clear pictures or impressions of sounds and sights

#### AELA2.2.3 Understand Forms, Elements and Techniques

#### Experiment with language

 demonstrate interest in the sounds of words and word combinations in pattern books, poems, songs, and oral and visual presentations

# AELA2.2.4 Create Original Text

#### Generate ideas

• use own and respond to others' ideas to create oral, print and other media texts

#### Elaborate on the expression of ideas

• add descriptive words to elaborate on ideas and create particular effects in oral, print and other media texts Structure texts

• create narratives that have beginnings, middles and ends; settings; and main characters that perform actions

#### AELA2.3.4 Share and Review

## Share ideas and information

- share, with familiar audiences, ideas and information on topics
- clarify information by responding to questions

#### **Review research process**

• answer questions, such as "What did I do that worked well?"

#### AELA2.4.1 Enhance and Improve

#### Appraise own and others' work

• identify features that make own or peers' oral, print or other media texts interesting or appealing

#### Revise and edit

- revise words and sentences to improve sequence or add missing information
- check for capital letters, punctuation at the end of sentences and errors in spelling

#### Enhance legibility

- print legibly and efficiently, forming letters of consistent size and shape, and spacing words appropriately
- use margins and spacing appropriately

#### Expand knowledge of language

- · develop categories of words associated with experiences and topics of interest
- use knowledge of word patterns, word combinations and parts of words to learn new words

#### Enhance artistry

• choose words, language patterns, illustrations or sounds to create a variety of effects in oral, print and other media texts

#### AELA2.4.2 Attend to Conventions

#### Attend to grammar and usage

- write complete sentences, using capital letters and periods
- identify verbs, and use in own writing

## Attend to spelling

- use phonic knowledge and skills and visual memory to spell words of more than one syllable, high frequency irregular words and regular plurals in own writing
- use phonic knowledge and skills and visual memory to attempt spelling of unfamiliar words in own writing
- use the conventional spelling of common words necessary for the efficient communication of ideas in writing

#### Attend to capitalization and punctuation

- use capital letters for proper nouns and at the beginning of sentences in own writing
- use periods and question marks, appropriately, as end punctuation in own writing

#### AELA2.4.3 Present and Share

#### **Present information**

· present ideas and information by combining illustrations and written texts

#### Enhance presentation

- clarify ideas and information presented in own oral, print and other media texts, by responding to questions and comments Use effective oral and visual communication
- speak in a clear voice, with appropriate volume, at an understandable pace and with expression

#### Demonstrate attentive listening and viewing

- ask relevant questions to clarify understanding and to have information explained
- show enjoyment and appreciation during listening and viewing activities

#### AELA2.5.1 Respect Others and Strengthen Community Appreciate diversity

- · discuss the experiences and traditions of various communities portrayed in oral, print and other media texts
- ask for and provide clarification and elaboration of stories and ideas

#### Celebrate accomplishments and events

- participate in shared language experiences to acknowledge and celebrate individual and class accomplishments Use language to show respect
- adjust own language use according to the context, purpose and audience

#### AELA2.5.2 Work within a Group

#### Cooperate with others

- identify ways that class members can help each other
- Work in groups
- stay on topic during class and group discussions

Evaluate group process

• recognize own and others' contributions to group process

# Appendix C – Common Core State Standards (US) Expectations

#### **Common Core Primary ELA Expectations**

# Key Ideas and Details:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.1 Ask and answer questions about key details in a text. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.2 Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.3 Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, using key details.

#### **Craft and Structure:**

<u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.4</u> Identify words and phrases in stories or poems that suggest feelings or appeal to the senses. <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.5</u> Explain major differences between books that tell stories and books that give information, drawing on a wide reading of a range of text types.

#### Integration of Knowledge and Ideas:

<u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.7</u> Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting, or events. <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.9</u> Compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in stories.

# Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity:

<u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.1.10</u> With prompting and support, read prose and poetry of appropriate complexity for grade 1.

#### **Print Concepts:**

<u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.1</u> Demonstrate understanding of the organization and basic features of print. <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.1.a</u> Recognize the distinguishing features of a sentence (e.g., first word, capitalization, ending punctuation).

# **Phonological Awareness:**

<u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.2</u>
 Demonstrate understanding of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes).
 <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.2.a</u>
 Distinguish long from short vowel sounds in spoken single-syllable words.
 <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.2.c</u>
 Isolate and pronounce initial, medial vowel, and final sounds (phonemes) in spoken single-syllable words.
 <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.2.d</u>
 Segment spoken single-syllable words into their complete sequence of individual sounds (phonemes).

# Phonics and Word Recognition:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.3.a Know the spelling-sound correspondences for common consonant digraphs. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.3.b Decode regularly spelled one-syllable words. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.3.c Know final -e and common vowel team conventions for representing long vowel sounds. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.3.f Read words with inflectional endings. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.3.g Recognize and read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.

#### Fluency:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.4.a Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.4.b Read grade-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.1.4.c Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

#### **Production and Distribution of Writing:**

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.1.5

With guidance and support from adults, focus on a topic, respond to questions and suggestions from peers, and add details to strengthen writing as needed.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.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.

#### **Comprehension and Collaboration:**

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.1

Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners...with peers and adults in small and larger groups. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.1.a

Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.1.b

Build on others' talk in conversations by responding to the comments of others through multiple exchanges. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.1.c

Ask questions to clear up any confusion about the topics and texts under discussion.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.2

Ask and answer questions about key details in a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.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.

#### Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.4

Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.5

Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.1.6

Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation.

#### **Conventions of Standard English:**

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.1

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.1.e

Use verbs to convey a sense of past, present, and future (e.g., Yesterday I walked home; Today I walk home; Tomorrow I will walk home).

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.1.j

Produce and expand complete simple and compound declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentences in response to prompts.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.2

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.2.b

Use end punctuation for sentences.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.2.d

Use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns and for frequently occurring irregular words. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.2.e

Spell untaught words phonetically, drawing on phonemic awareness and spelling conventions.

#### Vocabulary Acquisition and Use:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.4

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases...

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.4.a

Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.1.5

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

#### Grade 2

Key Ideas and Details:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.1

Ask and answer such questions as *who, what, where, when, why*, and *how* to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.2

Recount stories, including fables and folktales from diverse cultures, and determine their central message, lesson, or moral.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.3

Describe how characters in a story respond to major events and challenges.

#### **Craft and Structure:**

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.4

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

## CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.5

Describe the overall structure of a story, including describing how the beginning introduces the story and the ending concludes the action.

#### Integration of Knowledge and Ideas:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.7

Use information gained from the illustrations and words in a print or digital text to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, or plot.

#### CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.9

Compare and contrast two or more versions of the same story (e.g., Cinderella stories) by different authors or from different cultures.

#### Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity:

# CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.10

By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories and poetry...

#### **Phonics and Word Recognition:**

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.3 Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.3.a Distinguish long and short vowels when reading regularly spelled one-syllable words. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.3.b Know spelling-sound correspondences for additional common vowel teams. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.3.e Identify words with inconsistent but common spelling-sound correspondences. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.3.f Recognize and read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.

#### Fluency:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.4 Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.4.a Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.4.b Read grade-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.4.c Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

#### **Production and Distribution of Writing**

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.2.5

With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on a topic and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing.

#### CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.2.6

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

#### **Comprehension and Collaboration:**

#### CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.1

Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners...with peers and adults in small and larger groups. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.1.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).

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.1.c

Ask for clarification and further explanation as needed about the topics and texts under discussion. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.2

Recount or describe key ideas or details from a text read aloud or information presented orally

#### CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.3

Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to clarify comprehension, gather additional information, or deepen understanding of a topic or issue.

#### Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.4

Tell a story or recount an experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.5

add drawings or other visual displays to stories or recounts of experiences when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.6

Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification.

#### **Conventions of Standard English:**

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.1

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.2

Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.2.d

Generalize learned spelling patterns when writing words (e.g.,  $cage \rightarrow badge; boy \rightarrow boil$ ).

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.2.e

Consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries, as needed to check and correct spellings.

#### Knowledge of Language:

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.3

Use knowledge of language and its conventions when writing, speaking, reading, or listening. <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.3.a</u>

Compare formal and informal uses of English

#### Vocabulary Acquisition and Use:

<u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.4</u>
 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 2 reading and content, choosing flexibly from an array of strategies.
 <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.4.a</u>
 Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
 <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.4.e</u>
 Use glossaries and beginning dictionaries, both print and digital, to determine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases.
 <u>CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.6</u>
 Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts

# Appendix D: Growing Glossary of Poetic Vocabulary Terms

**Alliteration** -Repeating the consonant sounds at the beginnings of nearby words, such as the "p" sound in the words "My puppy makes pizza" in the poem My Puppy Makes Pizza.

**Exaggeration** -To overstate something; to claim that it is bigger, better, faster, smellier, etc. than is actually true.

**Imagery** - The use of vivid or figurative language to represent objects, actions, or ideas. Language and poetic techniques used to create mental pictures and cause emotions in the reader

**Nursery Rhyme -**A short, rhyming poem for young children, often telling a short story or describing an interesting character like Mother Goose rhymes **Oral Tradition -** The spoken preservation of a people's cultural history and ancestry, from one generation to the next, often by storytellers.

**Poem -**A written composition, often using rhythm, rhyme, metaphor, and other such artistic techniques to express an idea, feelings, or a story.

**Poet -**A person who writes poems.

Poetry - Literature written in verse, as opposed to prose...

**Recite** - To repeat or utter aloud something rehearsed or memorized, especially before an audience

**Repetition -** Using the same word, phrase, line, or stanza two or more times in a poem

**Rhymes** -Having the same sound at the end of two or more words such as pine / fine, nickel / pickle,.... Poems, songs, nursery rhymes and hip hop use this technique to make it easy to remember the words. Poems use the repetition of the **same or similar sounds** at the end of two or more words most often at the ends of lines.

**Sensory** – Relating to the 5 senses or sensations from seeing, hearing, tasting, touching and smelling.

**Theme** -The main idea, topic, or subject of a poem.

**Tone** – the feeling **the author** creates in a story, poem. It can be serious, funny, angry, etc.

Verse - A section or line of a poem

Visualize - things that can be pictured in the mind