Complimentary Sample The First 20 Days:



Reading & Writing Workshop for Intermediate Students in Grades 3-6®

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Why Reading and Writing Workshop?

Gone are the days of the one size fits all instructional model. It's not effective for the 2/3 of your students who are <u>not</u> performing within the window of *that* specific instructional reading level.

The only way to meet the diverse needs of all of your students is to differentiate reading and writing instruction. Reading and Writing Workshop is the framework with which you can meet the instructional needs of all of your students, rather only meeting the needs of a small percentage of students through whole-group-only instruction. There is no evidence that putting all students in a single instructional material results in anything other than many students being left behind (Allington, 2009). This idea doesn't only apply to struggling students, but to advanced students as well. Whole-group-only teaching has yielded little more than leaving 68% of students behind - high achieving students are not reaching their full potential, and struggling students are not closing their learning gaps.

An additional purpose of Reading and Writing Workshop is to maximize the amount of time students spend reading text that is on their independent reading level, since this is the best predictor of reading achievement. When a majority of reading is done at a student's independent reading level (96% or higher accuracy), the volume of reading is linked to increasing reading proficiency. Reading and Writing Workshop affords students multiple blocks of time to read text within their zone of proximal development and instructional and independent reading levels. Reading achievement is less about reading ability than it is about the opportunity to read (Boushey & Moser, 2014), and this can only be accomplished through a workshop framework of instruction.

The teaching method that underpins Reading and Writing Workshop is called distributed practice. This teaching practice is also referred to as "little and often", which is the premise of each of the 20-minute intervals throughout the workshop model. Repeated studies have shown that students make the most learning growth through having small learning experiences that build over time through repetitive structure and instruction (Clarke, et al., 2014). There are currently far too many schools and classrooms where students are stuck in whole-group-only classes for reading and writing for up to 120 minutes a day, and their reading and writing proficiency is either halted, or grows very little. There is no reason for this to continue - especially since there has been extensive research that shows the "little and often" approach yields much higher student learning outcomes than whole-group-only instruction.

How Whole-Group-Only Instruction Hurts Struggling Students

When students are made to read text that is at their frustrational reading level for an entire reading block, time is essentially being wasted - the gap between the text reading level and the student's independent reading level is too large even for the teacher to be able to effectively scaffold instruction. 120 minutes of this type of instruction is far too destructive to students reading below grade level. They are essentially *losing* learning time, due to loss of instructional time within their zone of proximal development, and loss of time to practice reading text at their independent reading level. Struggling students need a teaching

framework that meets their needs, using teaching practices, methods, and materials that meet them at their zone of proximal development. Reading and Writing Workshop provides that format - where struggling students get the teaching they need at their instructional reading level to close their learning gaps, along with the practice needed in reading text at their independent reading level.

How Whole-Group-Only Instruction Hurts Advanced Students

Whole-group-only instruction is also detrimental to students who read above grade level that need to be challenged by, and interacting with more difficult text. These students need multiple opportunities throughout the reading block to read text on their instructional level that challenges them, along with applying their flexible reading skills and strategies to a variety of text and genres. Opportunities to apply higher-level critical thinking skills in diverse learning structures and situations are only afforded to them through the Reading and Writing Workshop framework.

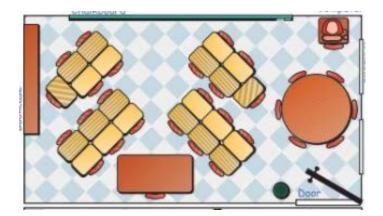
Differentiated Instruction Using Guided Reading

By supporting students in guided reading and providing them with texts at their instructional reading level, they are able to move up in levels of text complexity and increase their reading skills. This is all done while learning the specific strategies they need to be more proficient readers. During guided reading lessons, students learn reading strategies so they are able to process increasingly difficult texts with teacher support. Then, during reading and writing workshop, they apply those skills and strategies on their independent reading level without teacher support. Over time, this matching of readers to text levels is what promotes individual growth in reading achievement across a school year.

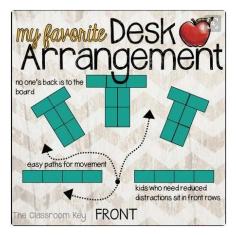
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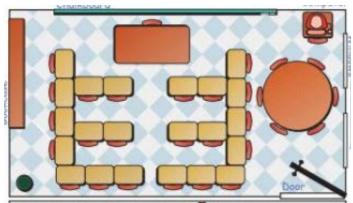
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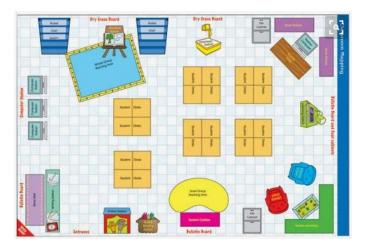
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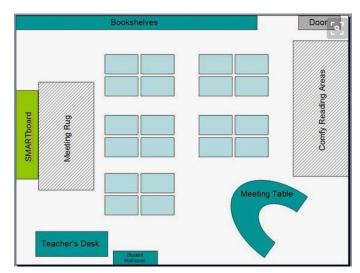
































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Guided Reading Area:













Reading and Writing Workshop:					
Overview of Daily Schedule ~ After First 20 Days					
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
20 min. Whole Group Mini Lesson	Read Aloud (Selection 1) w/Vocabulary	Read Aloud or Shared Reading (Selection 1) w/Skill	Read Aloud (Selection 2) w/Vocabulary	Read Aloud or Shared Reading (Selection 2) w/Skill	Reading Response Writing
		1 – 2 Minut	te Transition		
20 min.			Work Stations		
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20 min. Whole Group Mini Lesson	Word Work: Spelling/Phonics	Language Arts Skill	Word Work: Spelling/Phonics	Language Arts Skill	Vocab., Spelling, L.A. Assessments
		1 – 2 Minut	te Transition		
20 min.		Recip	rocal Teaching G	roups	
		1 – 2 Minut	te Transition		
20 min. Whole Group Mini Lesson	Writer's Workshop	Writer's Workshop	Writer's Workshop	Writer's Workshop	Writer's Workshop
20 min.					

Work Stations if 5 Student Groups: 1 Group in Guided Reading, Plus:

Vocabulary	Word Work	Language Arts	Read Aloud/ Listening
Vocabulary City or Vocabulary Activities (FCCR)	Spelling City or Word Work Activities (FCCR)	Language Arts Skills Practice w/Writing	Read to Someone, Read to Self, or Listening Center

Work Stations if 6 Student Groups: 1 Group in Guided Reading, Plus:

Vocabulary	Word Work	Language Arts	Read Aloud/ Listening	Independent Reading
Vocabulary City or FCCR Vocabulary Activities	Spelling City or FCCR Word Work Activities	Language Arts Skills Practice w/Writing	Read to Someone or Listening Center	Read to Self

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20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson A	Choosing "Just Right" Books	Read to Someone	Rotate Groups through Spelling City and Vocabulary City	Group Rotation Practice #2	Reading Strategy Lesson 5: Strategy #6
20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson B	Fill book baskets, Choose Reading Spot	Launch Listening Ctr.	Launch Vocabulary Activities	Reading Strategy Lesson 3: Strategy #3	Group Rotation Practice #5
20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson C	Reading: Set up Reading Notebook	Listening Center (Rotate Groups Through)	Vocabulary (Rotate Groups Through FCCR Activities)	Group Rotation Practice #3	Reading Strategy Lesson 6: Strategy #7
20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson D	Launch Read to Self and Build Stamina	Launch Word Work	Reading Strategy Lesson 1: Strategy #1	Reading Strategy Lesson 4A: Strategy #5	Group Rotation Practice #6 (if 6 student groups)
20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson E	Read to Self	Word Work (Rotate Groups Through FCCR Activities)	Group Rotation Practice #1	Group Rotation Practice #4	Reading Strategy Lesson 7: Strategy #8
20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson F	Launch Read to Someone	Launch Spelling City and Vocabulary City	Strategies	Reading Strategy Lesson 4B: Strategy #5	Reading Strategy Lesson 8: Strategy #9

Week 1 - Days 1-5:

- For Group Rotation Practice: Students rotate through work stations with the students in the group their seated with
- Students will need time each week to switch out books in their book baskets

~ Teaching Reading Strategies to Intermediate Students ~

(from What Really Matters in Response to Intervention R. Allington, 2009)

Students need to be able to paraphrase what they have read – starting with sentences, then paragraphs, pages, and chapters. <u>If they</u> are not able to orally paraphrase what they have read, they do not, and have not comprehended what they read. Therefore, they don't need to read any further.

Students need to learn to use Fix-Up Strategies to help them self-correct when something doesn't seem right - when what they are reading isn't connecting with what they're visualizing in their minds, or if they are not visualizing anything in their minds. Students need to STOP reading and ask themselves:



'Can I explain, am I able to paraphrase, and can I tell someone about what I just read?'

If not, then (these are in order of least disruptive when processing text):

- Slow-Down reading: As reading ability develops, readers gain greater control over the rate at which they read. When students encounter difficulties, effective readers slow down their rate of reading to sort out the problem that the text imposes. (See Lesson 1.)
- 2. Pause while reading: Effective readers pause when they encounter difficulties reading a text. The pause seems to provide the time needed for a sub-process to work. Pausing may be the strategy selected when slowing down reading rate fails to resolve the difficulty. It may also be a sign that the reader is working through the confusion or considering other strategy options.
- 3. Look Back/Reread: Looking back happens when a reader briefly glances back at a few words in the text that he or she is reading. This looking back restores information to working memory. Looking back has been documented as useful in determining the meaning of an unknown word or concept.

- Read Aloud: Readers will often elect to turn to reading aloud when text is difficult. Reading aloud seems to slow the rate of reading as well as provide auditory feedback to the reader – matching word chunks/syllables/sounds to written words.
- 5. Analyze Unknown Words: When effective readers encounter an unfamiliar word, they may use any of these strategies to identify the word sound it out, chunk the word, look for known parts, divide the word into syllables, think of a word that looks like it, or try reading it using a different vowel sound.
- 6. Skip the Word: When an unknown word is encountered, an effective reader may decide not to try to figure out the unknown word or he or she works at is and is unsuccessful. In each of these instances, the reader may purposely skip the word and continue reading. Once meaning is established, effective readers typically reread to make self-corrections.
- 7. Use Context Clues: The reader will often return to the beginning of a sentence and start over, or at times, reread a full paragraph or more to establish meaning from context. Rereading resolves problems with syntax, phrasing, and prosody, as well as confusions caused by a lack of understanding what was read.
- 8. Use the Dictionary If understanding the meaning of the word is critical to comprehending the text, then this strategy must be utilized. Teach students how to look up a word in the dictionary or the online dictionary. Use the one recommended by Beck, McKeown, and Kucan (The Collins COBUILD Dictionary): <u>https://www.collinsdictionary.com/us/dictionary/english</u>. If students need instruction in alphabetical order, utilize the Alphabetical Order lessons, or have students practice putting spelling words in alphabetical order.
- 9. Guess If understanding the meaning of the word is not critical to comprehending the text.

Week 2 - Days 6-10

> Students rotate through Work Stations with the students in the group their seated with

	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
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20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson A	Lesson on Reviewing Strategies	Teach Reciprocal Teaching Role: Visualize	Read and Rotate Roles	Read and Rotate Roles	Writing: Set up Writing Notebook
		1 – 2 Minut	te Transition		
20 min.	Wo	rk Stations (Teac	ther Completes S	tudent Assessme	ents)
		1 – 2 Minut	te Transition		
20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson C	Teach Reciprocal Teaching Role: Connect	Teach Reciprocal Teaching Role: Summarize	Read and Rotate Roles	Read and Rotate Roles	Launch Writer's Workshop
		1 – 2 Minut	te Transition		
20 min.	Read to Self an	d/or Read to Sor	neone (Teacher (Completes Stude	nt Assessments)
		1 – 2 Minut	te Transition		
20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson E	Teach Reciprocal Teaching Role: Clarify	Teach Reciprocal Teaching Role: Predict	Read and Rotate Roles	Read and Rotate Roles	Writer's Workshop
20 min. – Whole Group Mini Lesson F	Teach Reciprocal Teaching Role: Question	Combine all Reciprocal Teaching Roles	4-6 Handwriting Pages	4-6 Handwriting Pages	4-6 Handwriting Pages

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Introducing Reciprocal Teaching and Teaching Roles



Lesson 1: Connecting

- Put students in groups of four*.
 * For bigger groups, there are roles for Connecting and Visualizing
- 2 Distribute one cueing card to each student.
- 3. Using the cueing card as a reference, model each role as a "think aloud" with a shared text.
- 4. Students will then use their cueing cards to read a portion text and note information they needed to clarify in order to understand the text and read on (self-monitoring).
- 5. Encourage students to use note-taking strategies such as selective underlining or sticky-notes to help them better prepare for their role in the discussion, to use their Fix-Up Strategies cards, and to make a list of at least 3 pieces of information/words/phrases they needed to clarify.

* It is good for student teams to have access to a dictionary and the saurus.

- 6. Students will then use their cueing cards to read the text and stop to list
- connections for Text to Self, Text to Text, and Text to World.
- 7. Groups then share and discuss their connections.
- 8. Signal for the groups to stop sharing and conduct a whole group discussion.
- 9. In work stations, students then take turns working in groups and each being the Connector for a portion of the text, then sharing out with the group.

Reciprocal Teaching Cards

Make a Connection

- I can relate to the character/s in the text because I....
- This event/topic reminds me of...
- I read in another book...
- This passage is similar to another book I read...
- This passage is different from other books that I've read because...
- This reminds me of ... in the real/outside world
- This passage is like events in the real world because...
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Mentor Text:

	The Connection (1 min.)					
Begin with	a <u>con</u>				vill be teaching ther	n and why:
Today I'm	going	to teach you	•	because		
<u>Teach</u> How will you teach the students this writ				5-8 min.) g skill, strat	egy, or behavior? (0	Choose one)
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		Gradual Re How instruct			y (5-6 min.) e <u>scaffolded</u>	
			Teacher		Stu	ıdents
l do it (2 min.)		Direct Instruc	ction:		 ✓ Actively listen ✓ Take notes ✓ Ask for clarification 	
We do it (2 min.)		Guided Prac	tice:		 ✓ Ask and respond to questions ✓ Work with teacher and ✓ Completes process with others 	
You do it together (2 min.)	•	Collaborativ	e Learning	<u>:</u>	 ✓ Collaborates ✓ Consolidates 	
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	Teac	her		Students		
Independent Practi	ice:			🗸 Work alone		
			✓ Rely on notes and classroom learning to			
				complete assignment		
Share Session (5-8 min.) Students share work, group problem solving, reinforcer					trategies	
Teacher				Students		



Mini Lesson Cheat Sheet

Connection: 30 seconds – 1 minute

Connect to what you've been doing in class.

Yesterday we learned about_____, and today we are going to learn about_____

Teach: 3 – 8 minutes max

Choose One: model, teacher think aloud, shared reading, use students to demonstrate, act it out. Make an anchor chart as you go along to hang up when the lesson is over.

Gradual Release of Responsibility

I do, We do, You do: 6 minutes max

Students turn to their partners to try something out orally, practice a strategy for a moment, or plan what they might do later. Material Options: browsing bag, all have same text, interactive read aloud

Off You Go: 20 minutes max

Independent practice with writing conferences

Share: 5-8 minutes

Gather students together after the workshop to follow-up on the mini lesson and share writing.

- Students rotate through work stations randomly, or with the students in the group their seated with, while the teacher begins to see highest priority guided reading group
- Students work in reciprocal teaching groups as teacher chooses (based on estimated reading level, or grouped randomly so that teacher can complete assessments)

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	Day 11	Day 12	Day 13	Day 14	Day 15
20 min. Whole Group Mini Lesson	Read Aloud (Selection 1) w/Vocabulary	Read Aloud or Shared Reading (Selection 1) w/Skill	Read Aloud (Selection 2) w/Vocabulary	Read Aloud or Shared Reading (Selection 2) w/Skill	Reading Response Writing
		1 – 2 Minu	te Transition		
20 min.	Work Sta	tions (Teacher S	ees High-Priority	y Guided Readin	g Group)
	•	1 – 2 Minu	te Transition		
20 min. Whole Group	Word Work: Spelling/Phonics	Language Arts Skill	Word Work: Spelling/Phonics	Language Arts Skill	Vocab., Spelling, L.A. Assessments
Mini Lesson					Assessments
		1 – 2 Minut	te Transition		
20 min.	n. Reciprocal Teaching Groups (with short text to be completed in 10 sessions) (Teacher Completes Student Assessments)				n 10 sessions)
		1 – 2 Minu	te Transition		
20 min. Whole Group Mini Lesson	Writer's Workshop	Writer's Workshop	Writer's Workshop	Writer's Workshop	Writer's Workshop
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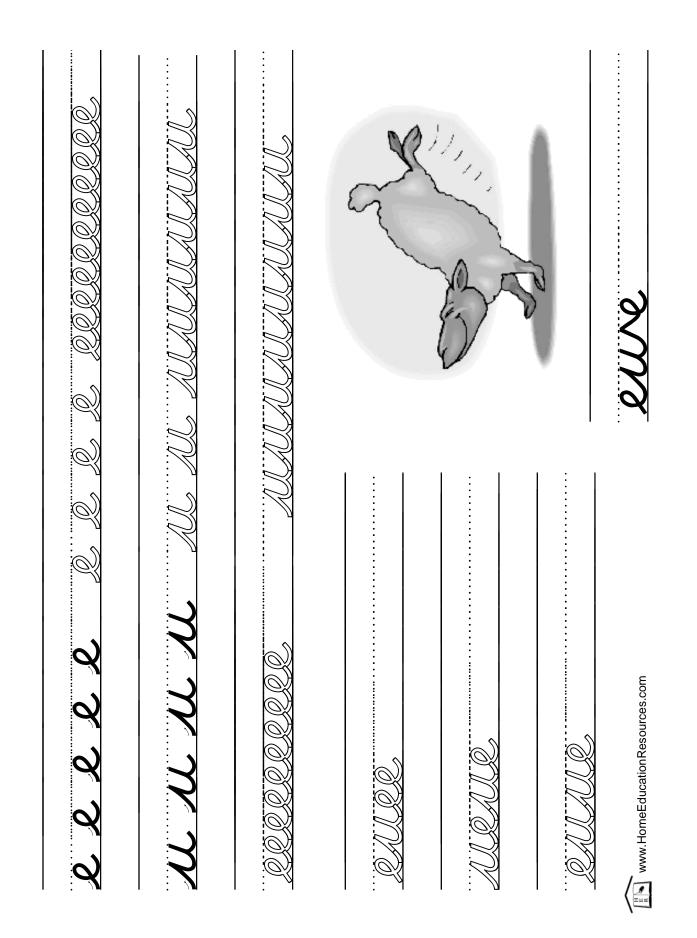
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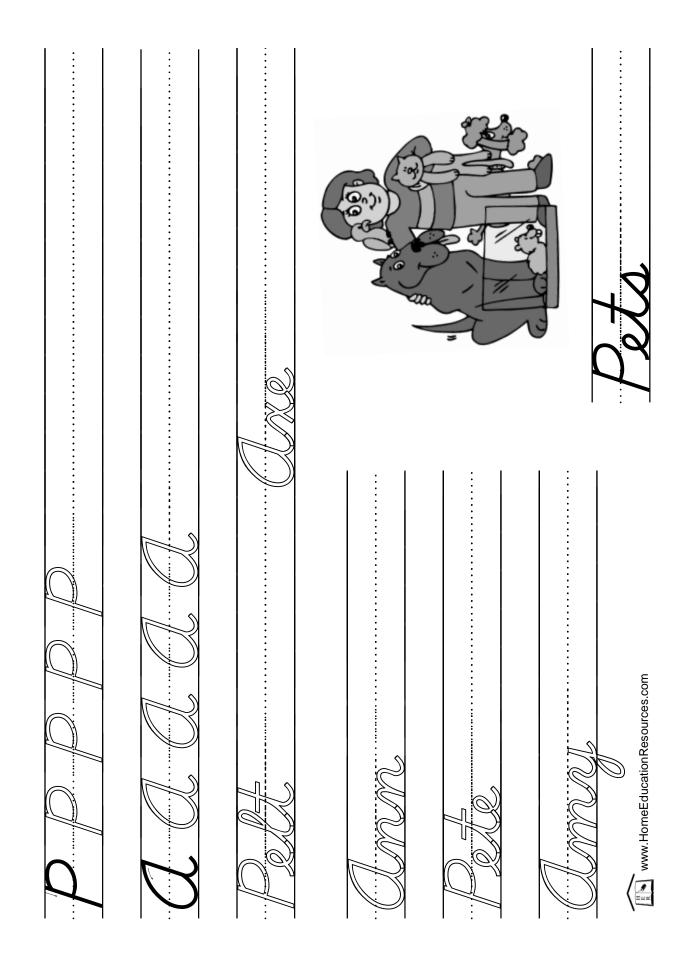
Read Aloud Book/Mentor Text: _____

Begin v	<u>The Connection</u> Begin with a <i>connection</i> and tell students what you will be teaching them and why:					
	l'm going			because		
How wil	l you teac	h the st		ach: 1g skill, strateg	ıy, or behavior? (Cho	ose one)
Thinking aloud while reading aloud	Thinking and ma note	king	Lifting text	Reasoning through text	Rereading for deeper meaning	Showing my thinking (visualizing) and explaining how it helps readers to better understand
			Gradual Release			
		How I	nstruction and pr	actice will be <u>s</u>		
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				✓ Ask for clarification		
We do it		Guided Practice:		✓ Ask and respond to questions		
				✓ Work with teacher and		
				✓ Completes process with others		
You do it toget	her	Collaborative Learning:		 ✓ Works with others, shares work 		
				✓ Collaborates on a task		
					✓ Consolidates learning	
				✓ Looks to peers for clarification		
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			complete assignment			
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Spelling Skills and Standards

Grade 3:

Week	Skill	Standard
1: Days 11-15	Short a Patterns	ELA-Literacy.RF.3.3.C ELA-Literacy.RF.3.3.D
2: Days 16-20	Short a Patterns	ELA-Literacy.RF.3.3.C ELA-Literacy.RF.3.3.D

Grade 4:

Week	Skill	Standard
1: Days 11-15	Closed Syllables	ELA-Literacy.RF.3.3
2: Days 16-20	Open Syllables	ELA-Literacy.RF.3.3

Grade 5:

Week	Skill	Standard
1: Days 11-15	Closed Syllables	ELA-Literacy.RF.5.3 ELA-Literacy.RF.5.3.A
2: Days 16-20	Open Syllables	ELA-Literacy.RF.5.3 ELA-Literacy.RF.5.3.A

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Week 1: Days 11-15	Week 2: Days 16-20				
Short a Patterns	Short a Patterns				
attack	finance				
quack	command				
ransack	demand				
setback	expand				
contract	reprimand				
distract	enchant				
extract	supplant				
impact	mishap				
interact	recap				
react	unwrap				
shaft	backlash				
anagram	chasm				
diagram	spasm				
program	contrast				
began	forecast				
overran	habitat				
advance	detach				
glance	dispatch				
enhance	mismatch				
entrance	reattach				

Spelling Lists – Grade 3

Language Arts Skills and Standards

Grade 3:

Week	Skill	Standard
1:		ELA-Literacy.L.3.1
Days	Nouns	ELA-Literacy.L.3.1.A
11-15		ELA-Literacy.L.3.3
2:		ELA-Literacy.L.3.1
Days	Pronouns	ELA-Literacy.L.3.1.A
16-20		ELA-Literacy.L.3.3

Grade 4:

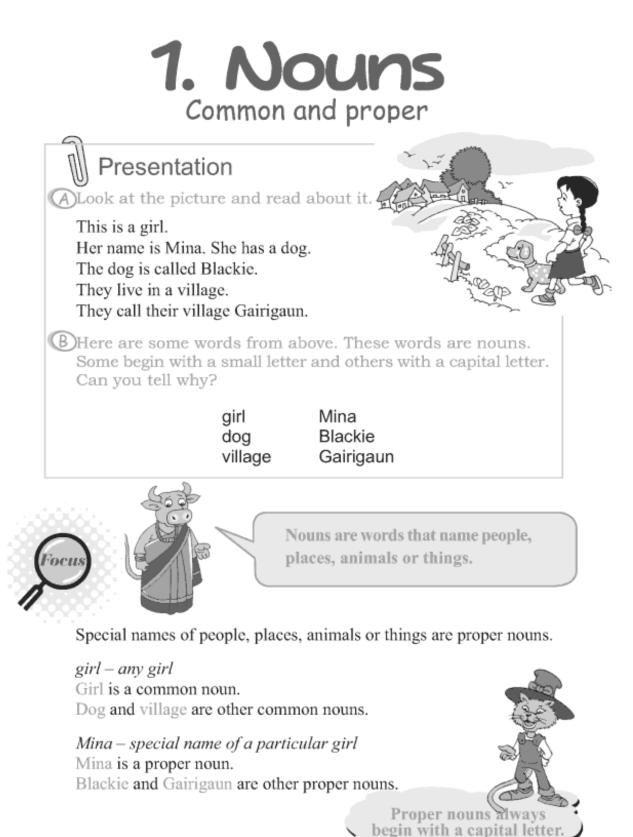
Week	Skill	Standard
1:		ELA-Literacy.L.4.1
Days	Pronouns	ELA-Literacy.L.4.1.A
11-15		ELA-Literacy.L.4.3
2:		ELA-Literacy.L.4.1
Days	Relative Adverbs	ELA-Literacy.L.4.1.A
16-20		ELA-Literacy.L.4.3

Grade 5:

Week	Skill	Standard
1:		ELA-Literacy.L.5.1
Days	Conjunctions	ELA-Literacy.L.5.1.A
11-15		ELA-Literacy.L.5.3
2:		ELA-Literacy.L.5.1
Days	Prepositions	ELA-Literacy.L.5.1.A
16-20		ELA-Literacy.L.5.3

Grade 3, Week 1: Nouns Grade 3 Grammar Lesson 1 Nouns – common and proper

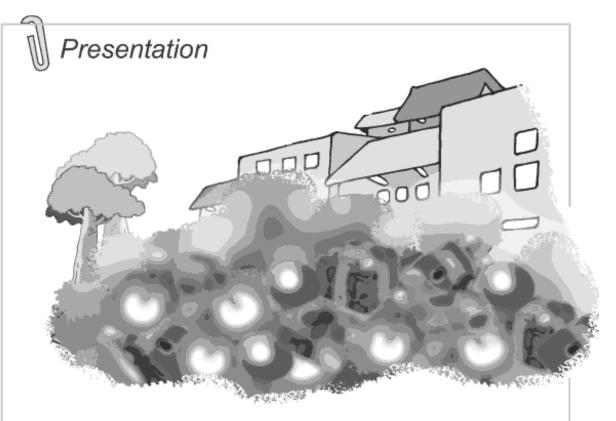
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Grade 4 Grammar Lesson 11 Kinds of adverbs

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11. Kinds of adverbs



The population of our cities is growing **rapidly**. More people means more garbage. You can see garbage **everywhere**. This must be changed **immediately** because mismanagement of garbage could be **very** harmful. Garbage causes pollution and diseases **quite** easily.The important question is: **How** are we going to do it?

All the words in **bold** print above are **adverbs** as they add something to the meaning of a verb, an adjective or another adverb.

Can you think of other adverbs to replace each adverb in the passage above?

