

Leading the Way to Literacy Success



The History of Open Court Reading

SRA Open Court Reading is a reading and language arts curriculum built upon decades of research, field testing, and time-tested instructional models. This program gives you the resources, the strategies, and the support to help you make the difference in your classroom. The explicit, systematic, researched–based instruction supports all learners as they learn to read. The excellent resources support best teaching practices to build a foundation for lifelong learning.

Research–Fueled Growth

Research continues to be an integral part of Open Court Reading. This proven, research-based program has worked for thousands of classrooms because SRA Open Court Reading has never wavered from its commitment to incorporating research and teacher input.

The authors, who are educators and researchers, have updated the program to include the latest research findings about the most effective ways to teach children to read and write. SRA Open Court Reading is founded upon a commitment to research balanced with teacher input. Key instructional areas build across grade levels to ensure students become confident and effective readers by the end of grade 3.

Initial research in early reading reveals early, explicit phonics instruction is crucial for early proficiency. This critical information moved Open Court Reading authors to make phonics a cornerstone of the program with Sound/Spelling Cards, explicit instruction, and scaffolded blending. Additionally, Open Court Reading authors developed Decodable Books to help children apply and reinforce encoding and decoding skills. Later research in vocabulary and comprehension introduced the need for advanced reading selections to support vocabulary development and critical comprehension.

Teach with the knowledge of 50+ years in the classroom

SRA Open Court Reading has over fifty years of feedback from classroom use. The information from classroom teachers who use Open Court Reading daily is woven into the program's instruction. Their experience, paired with facts from reading research, adds an unparalleled value to the program.

Implement your reading program with confidence

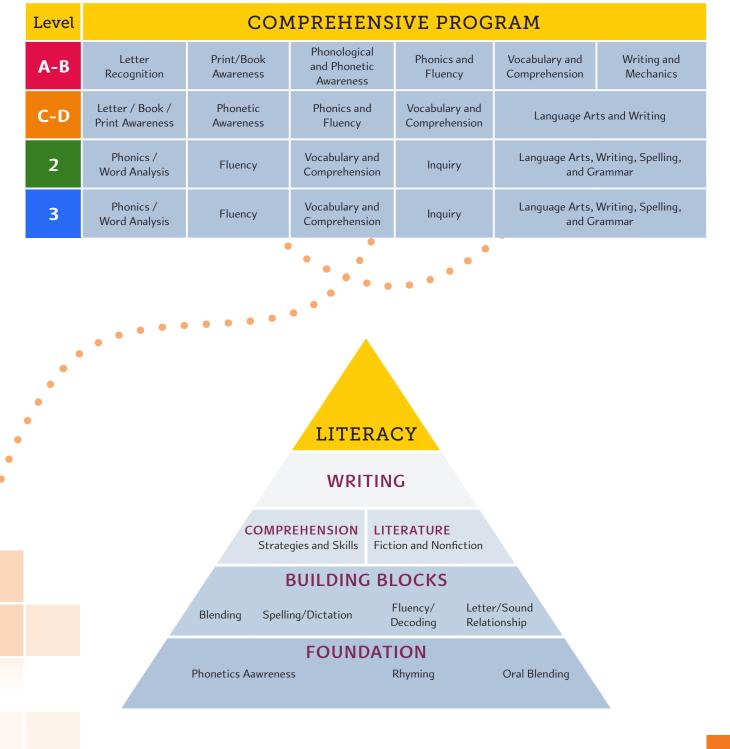
Comprehensive reports from the National Reading Panel and the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) support the strategies and instructional models found in Open Court Reading.

Today, *Open Court Reading* continues to evolve, responding to new technology, valuable teacher feedback, and relevant research findings.

Purposeful Teaching That Ensures Learning

- **Systematic and explicit instruction** helps build students' abilities through a logical progression of skills.
- **Spiral curriculum** helps teachers introduce new skills while reinforcing previously taught skills.
- **Core concepts and skills** are reinforced at every level to provide scaffolding for students in all areas.





Unit Themes That Students Can't Resist

Open Court Reading contains a diverse collection of fiction and nonfiction reading selections, including novels, essays, poems, songs, and articles. It's a collection designed to challenge students and inspire them to become independent, self-directed readers.

Each unit is built around a theme student's use as a foundation for building new ideas and ways of thinking. The focus of the theme varies across units to include crosscurricular topics as well as social topics students can relate to. Lesson theme can be viewed in the Scope & Sequence.



Level	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4	Unit 5	Unit 6
Α	What's the Weather?	Pushes and Pulls	Home, Sweet Home	Our Country, Our Cultures	Ready to Grow	
В	Animals Homes	Rules We Follow	Great Citizens	Color Our World	Stripes, Spots, and Dots	
с	Back to School	Be My Friend	Science Cycles	Light and Sound	Around Our Town	
D	Around Our World	Roots, Seeds, Leaves	Animals from Head to Toe	Art for All	Art in Motion	
2	Teamwork	Earth in Action	My Country at Work	Plants and Animals	Citizenship	Story Time
3	Respect	Extreme Weather	A Changing Nation	Animals and Their Habitats	Government at Work	Art on the Move

UNIT THEME CHART

Level A-D

PRINT



• Student Book with Audio CD



Skills Practice

ONLINE TEACHER'S RESOURCES



- Teacher's Edition (pdf)
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- Lesson and Unit Assessment (pdf)
- Online Resources can be download at mhe.com.sg/open-court-reading/comprehensive-curriculum

Level 2-3

PRINT



• Student Anthology



• Teacher's Edition



Core Decodables

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Skills Practice BLM with Answer Key



 Language Arts Handbook



 Lesson and Unit Assessment BLM



Classroom Powerpoint

Placement Test (pdf)

Worksheet (pdf)

Syllabus (pdf)

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Benchmark Assessment BLM

ONLINE TEACHER'S RESOURCES

- Intervention Teacher's Guide
- English Learning Teacher's Guide

Unit Opener

LEVEL A-D



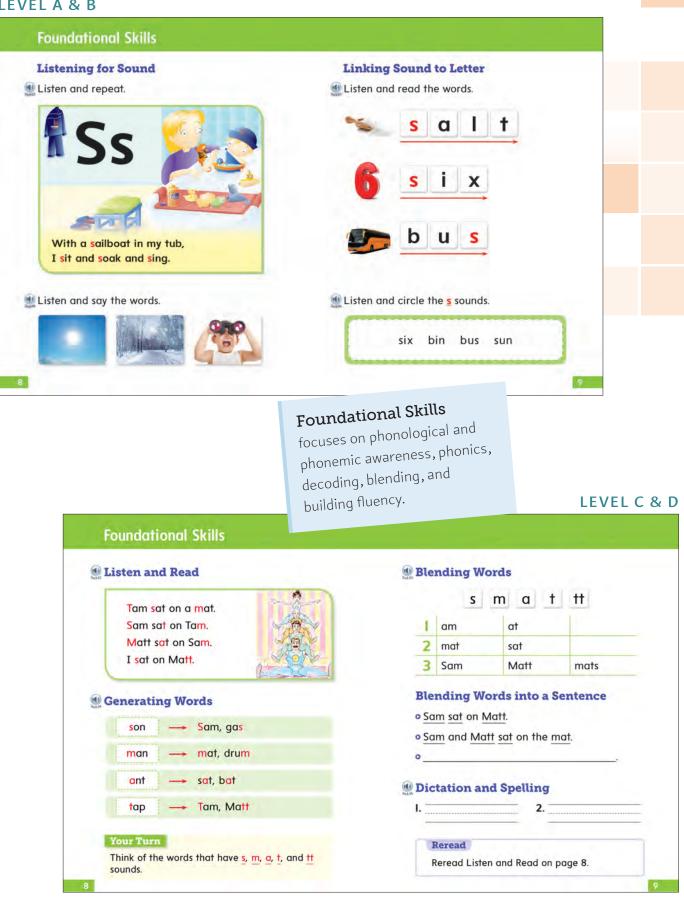
Lesson Opener

LEVEL A-D



Foundational Skills

LEVEL A & B



Words to Learn

LEVEL A & B

High-Frequency Words	Content Words	
Listen and read.	💮 Listen and repeat.	
we the		64335
We are the happy.	look	sunny
The on is bright.		
Read and trace.	windy	rainy
play.		
Look at sun.	puddle	snowy
Build Fluency Read the Decodable Reader, We Go.	• Look outside. How is the	
vve Go. poge 41	• When do we see puddle	es?

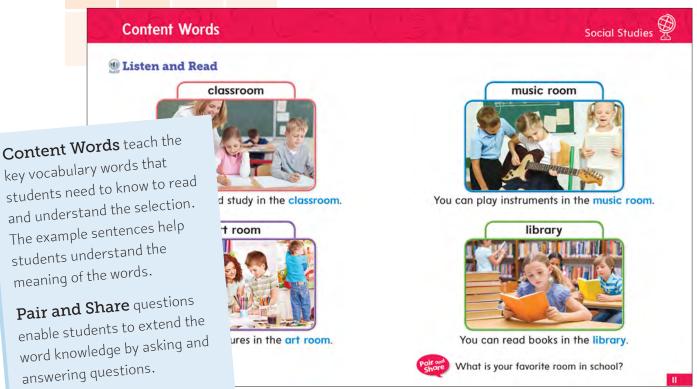
and key vocabulary words students need to know in order to read and understand the selection.

The Decodable in Skills Practice helps students identify words and build fluency.

Questions enable students to extend the word knowledge by asking and answering questions.

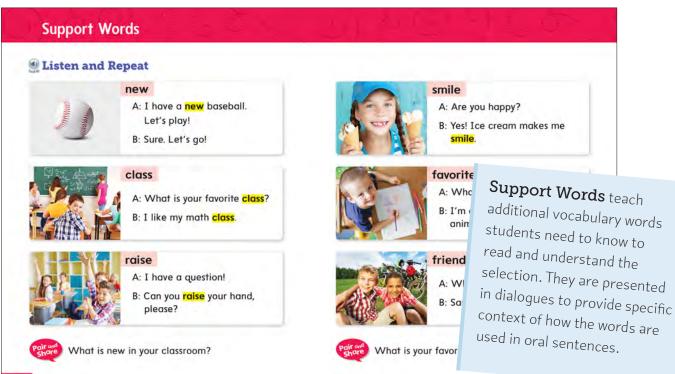
Content Words

LEVEL C & D



Support Words

LEVEL C & D



Selection Reading Text

LEVEL A & B



Reading & Responding

LEVEL A & B

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		 Question How is the weather? Answer It is Question What can we do on a snowy day? Answer We can make a 			
• Question	How is the weather?				
• Answer	It is rainy.	Your Turn page 16			
• Question	What can we do on a rainy day?	Ask and answer questions			
• Answer	We can play in puddles.	about the picture with your partner.			
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LEVEL C & D

Making Connections

- I. What was your first day at school like?
- 2. When you have a new student, how can you help them?
- 3. What rooms do you have in your school?
- 4. What do you do in your school library?



Reading Skills and Strategies

LEVEL C & D

Reading Skills and Strategies

Sequence

Events in a story happen in order. This is called sequence. It tells you what happens first, next, and last.

Model pages 16, 18

Underline where Matt and Patrick go after the art room and circle the sequence words.

First, we go to the art room. I show him paper and crayons. Next, we walk to the music room. Patrick says he likes music class.



Practice pages 19-21

Underline where Matt and Patrick go after the lunchroom and circle the sequence word.

We walk into the lunchroom. The next place is my favorite. It's the library! The room is full of books.

Practice pages 22-23

Underline where Matt and Patrick go last and circle the sequence word.

Last, we return to our classroom. My teacher is writing "friend" on the board. I smile at Patrick. He smiles back at me.

Your Turn

After school, where do you go next?

Reading Skills and Strategies presents the skills and strategies needed to access complex text.

- Skills and strategies involved are the following: Cause and Effect
- Classify and Categorize
- Compare and Contrast
- Main Idea and Details
- Making Inferences
- Sequence
- Summarizing
- Clarifying
- Predicting and Confirming
- Making Connections
- Asking and Answering Questions
- Visualizing

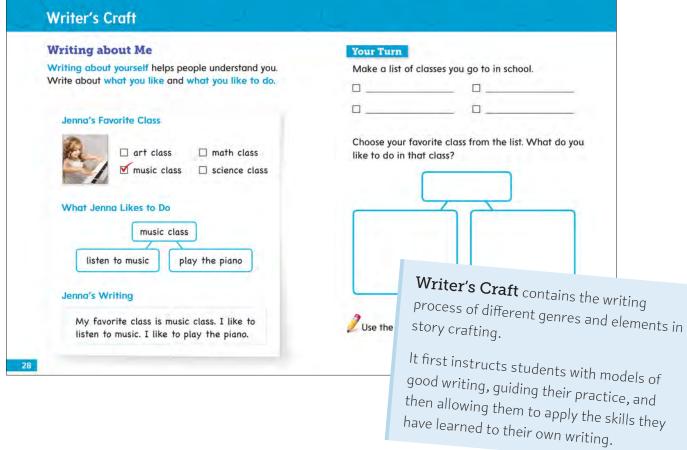


Writer's Craft

LEVEL A & B

Today's Weather Today's Weather by Sam	Spacing Between Words A space is placed between each word to show one word ends and another word starts.
It is sunny.	Model I fisr H is i instructed in the second and seco
Draw and write about today's weather.	It is instructs in the writing proce including grammar, usage an mechanics, and sentencing
Today's Weather	check () the space crafting.
	Icanplayoutside.
It is	Your Turn Go to page 17 and check () the spaces between

LEVEL C & D



Selection Reading Text

LEVEL 2 & 3



Ellie's Long Walk

The True Story of Two Friends on the Appalachian Trail

by Pam Flowers illustrated by Bill Farnsworth

Ellie raced to the side of the puppy pen to see who was coming. When she saw Pam, Ellie reached up with her tiny front paws as if to say.

"Pick me! Pick ME!" There were seven little puppies. All needed

a home Ellie was black with a white blaze on her chest. When Ellie and Pam looked at each other the puppy sat right down, lowered her head. and pulled her ears back, showing good

dog manners Pam smiled and scooped Ellie into her arms.

"I'll adopt this one. She behaves and will make a nice friend."

Ellie moved into a big, round pen next to Pam's desk so they could be together all day. The puppy wagged her tail as she sniffed every inch of her

"I see you like to explore new places, Ellie," Pam said. "Me, too! You and I are going to make a fine team

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Through the Selection Reading

Text and engaging themes, students learn about universal truths such as kindness and friendship as well as about cross-curricular subject areas such as life science and government. Genres vary among grade levels but include informational articles, songs, plays, persuasive essays, poems, and so on.



Respond Comprehension

LEVEL 2 & 3

Respond have students read each selection twice—once to practice comprehension strategies, and the second to understand not only the kinds of techniques writers use but also how to access complex text by searching for specific types of information. Before, during, and after both reads of the selection, vocabulary development and application is stressed.

Respond

You will answer **Text Connections** I. How did Pam and Ellie train for

the comprehension questions on these pages as a class.

- their hike? 2. When did Pam decide she and Ellie were ready to hike the Appalachian Trail?
- 3. How did Pam respond after she fell and hurt her back? 4. How is Pam and Ellie's relationship an example
- of teamwork?

Did You Know? The Appalachian Trail is the longest ootpath in the Inited States.



Write Describe an adventure that you had.

- **Keys to Comprehension** I. Parn and Ellie spent several months training for their journey. What does Pam's preparation tell
- you about her character? 2. What is the reason Pam and Ellie hike the Appalachian Trail?

Writer's Craft

Look Closer

3. Summarize the plot of "Ellie's Long Walk" in three sentences.

Concept Development

- 4. On page 126, Pam says, "I see you like to explore new places,
- Ellie. Me, too! You and I are
- going to make a fine team.
- What does she mean?

Apply Vocabulary

LEVEL 2 & 3

Concept Vocabulary

Think about the

Think about the word partnership. The main character in "Cooking" is helped by mam. How does this character benefit from this partnership?

partnership?

Apply	Vocabulary
Read this story. Then discuss if with your class. Vocabulary Words - adopt - entire - face - Inch - journey - panic - raged - slick - slope	Cooking I have adapted a new policy this year. Rather than hiding from my fears, I am going to toce them. Since I have always been afraid of cooking, I will begin by examining every inch of a new recipe. It is startling to realize how many groceries we need. I help my mom make a grocery list, and then we drive to the grocery store. We walk inside the store and choose ingredients. I feel panic over the number of choices for each.
- starfied - surface - turned	Once home, my mom says the first thing we will cook is the rice. She turns on the burner to boil some water. It seems like a long time

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tose few pieces supposed to e? I thought they would sink.

Next she lets me put the solad together. Has this avocado tur ripe? Once the solod is done. I reach for the olive oil and manage to knock the bottle over! Thankfully, our countertop slopes at the edge, so the oil does not spill on the floor. I do not need a slick floor right now.

Our family sits down to dinner, and my mom says my first attempt at cooking was a success! I will help clean the entire kitchen after dinner, but for now, it is time to eat. This has been a fun journey.

Extend Vocabulary

same as the words below. I. ice, oil 2. long trip, travels 3. top, upper layer 4. surprise, shock 5. move slowly, a small amount 6, rotate, veer

Write the word that describes or means the 7. take on, foster 8. olarm, fear 9. bank, incline 10. take on, engage

II. all, whole 12. frenzy, uproor

Apply Vocabulary gets students to understand what a selection is about involves not only the reading process, but also the process of expanding students' vocabulary so that they comprehend both simple stories and more complex informational selections.

In this program, students have multiple opportunities to develop, practice, apply, extend, and review the words.



Connect

LEVEL 2 & 3

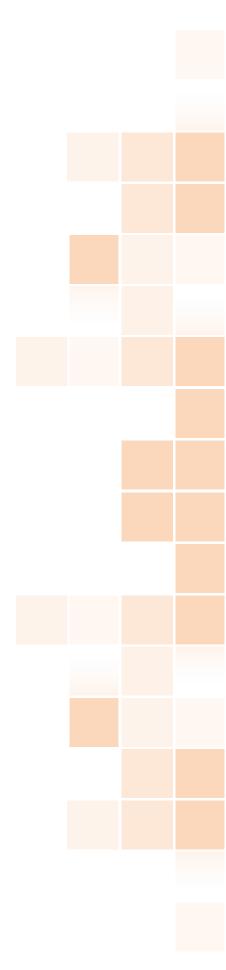
Social Studies 🖗 Connect Read this **The Appalachian Trail** information. You will answ You just read about Ellie and her the questions as a class. dog, Pam, hiking the Appalachian Trail. The Appalachian Trail is about 2,100 miles long. It stretches from **Text Feature** Mount Katahdin in Maine to Maps are images that show where places are in Mountain in Georgia. The tr fourteen states as it traces Appalachian mountain rang relation to each other. It took Ellie and Pam six Spring hike the <mark>entire</mark> trail. The ea of the trail stretches betwe Use the map of the trail to answer the questions. Shenandoah National Parl 3. How can you I. How many states does and southern Pennsylvania the Appalochian determine the more difficult to the north Trail cross? geography of the south of this section, and Appalachian Trail? 2. How can you tell the difficult in New Hampshi total distance of the Is there something Maine. Although many h about the map that Appalachian Trail? hike the entire trail, only helps you with this? four each year make it (Go Digital Search for photographs of people hiking the Appalachian Trail in different seasons of the year. 161

Connect provides students the chance to connect what they have read to a short, cross-curricular selection. This allows students to have multiple opportunities with different text features and with social studies and science content.

Level A

Unit 1, Lesson 1-3

	Unit 1 Scope and Sequence What is the Weather?	nd Sequenc	e What is 1	the Weather?			Cpe	Upen Court Reading
B	Foundational Skills	ills		Reading and	Reading and Responding		Language Arts	rts
Lesson Theme	Sounds and Letters	High-Frequency Words	Fluency	Selection	Comprehension	Vocabulary Words	Writing	Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics
LESSON 1 Weather Around Us	Sounds of Ss and Mm Linking Sound to Letter	we, the	Core Decodable: We Go	The Weather Outside Genre: Informational Text Essential Question: How is the weather?	Skills and Strategies Asking and Answering Questions	look sunny windy rainy puddle snowy	Today's Weather Sentence Structure: It is sunny.	Spacing Between Words
LESSON 2 The Journey of Water	Sounds of <i>Dd</i> and <i>Pp</i> Linking Sound to Letter	a, of	Core Decodable: We Carry	Wet Weather Genre: Explanatory Text Essential Question: What makes clouds, rain, and snow?	Skills and Strategies Predicting	water white dark fall grow ice	Today's Sky Sentence Structure: I see white clouds.	Period
LESSON 3 Tools for Weather	Sound of Aa Linking Sound to Letter Review: <i>Dd, Mm, Pp, 5</i> 5 and Aa	I, am	Core Decodable: Sam and Pam	Weather Measures Genre: Explanatory Text Essential Question: Why do we study the weather?	Skills and Strategies Classify and Categorize	measure warm cold stick bad	Weather Measure Sentence Structure: I measure the rain with a cup.	Capital Letters



Level C

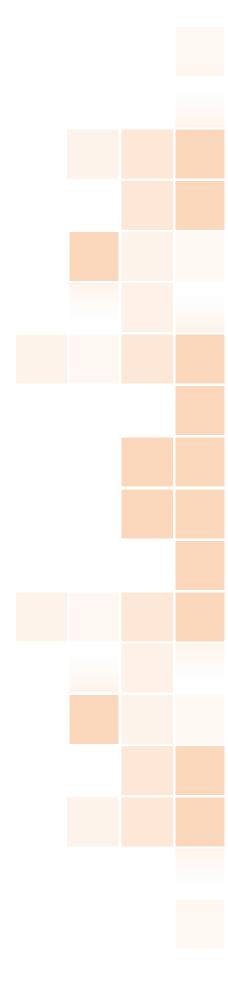
Unit 1, Lesson 1-3

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2	Foundational Skills	S		Reading and Responding	onding			Language Arts
Lesson Theme	Phonics and Decoding	High-Frequency Words	Fluency *	Selection	Comprehension	Content Words	Support Words	Writing
LESSON 1 Greeting New Students	/s/ spelled s /m/ spelled m /a/ spelled a /t/ spelled f and #	and and and	Core Pre-Decodable 5: <i>I Can See</i> Core Decodable 6: <i>Sam, Sam, Sam</i> <i>Core Decodable 7:</i> <i>Matt and Sam</i> <i>Matt and Sam</i> <i>On a Mat</i>	A New Friend at School Genre: Realistic Fiction Essential Question: What is your favorite class at school?	Skills and Strategies Sequence	classroom art room music room library	new class raise smile friend	Writing about Me
LESSON 2 Helping out	/d/ spelled d /n/ spelled n /h/ spelled h /h/ spelled h	did it had him said in	Core Decodable 9: Dad Sat Core Decodable 10: Ants Core Decodable 11: Sit Core Decodable 12: A Hint Core Decodable 13: Mints	The Plant Monitor Genre: Realistic Fiction Essential Question: How do you help in your classroom?	Skills and Strategies Predicting	homework important job monitor	forget careful plant pick easy sorry	Keeping a Journal
LESSON 3 Growing Up	/p/ spelled <i>p</i> /l/ spelled / and <i>ll</i> /o/ spelled <i>b</i> /b/ spelled <i>b</i>	has at	Core Decodable IV: Par's Map Core Decodable IS: Lin and Hal Core Decodable IV: A Spot A Spot Core Decodable IV: Bob at Bat Core Decodable IV: Bill	What Do I Want to Be? Genre: Photo Essay Essential Question: What job do you want someday?	Skills and Strategies Compare and Contrast	enjoy future learn subject	animal want cue work help people	Making a Photo Essay

Level 2

Unit 1, Lesson 1-3

Open Court		Language Arts	Inquiry/Research Writing Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics		Shep L-Develop Questions Writing an Opinion Common and Proper Nauns Hace Common and Proper Nauns - Centeria Basics and Questions - Previring - Develop a Research Question - Drafting	Step 2-Greate Conjectures Writing an Optnian Action Verbs - Turn a Question into Precesa a Conjecture - Revising - Make a Conjecture - Revising - Plan to Collect Information - Publishing Writing an Optnian - Prece - Precesa
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	Sequence Teamwork	Reading and Responding	Selection		Read Aloud: April 5, 1887 Excerpt from Anne Sullivor's Journal Grene: Autobiography Journal Grene: Autobiography Journal Essential Question The Who Lived in a Shoe Grene: Forthay LEXILE® 4001 Essential Question How can families work together as a team? Science Connection: Materials for a Shelter	Arts and Aphids Work Together Genes: Informational Text Genes: Informational Text LEXILEG 520. Essential Questions - How are arts and aphids partners in nature? - Wily do ants and aphids need each other?? Teamwork Genes: Peetry Genes: Peetry Genes: Peetry Control on estion Control Constants
	Unit 1 Scope and Sequence		Fluency		Decoddale Stories, Book 2 - Story II: The Red Star - Story II: The Red Star	Decodable Stories, Book 2 • Story 12: A Bridge
How can you work better with others?	Unit :	Skills	High- Frequency Words		lor mouch thart Mich	inderer
	5	Foundational Skills	Phonics and Decoding	LESSON 1	 , /ch/ spelled ch , /h/ spelled ch , /h/ spelled sh , /w/ spelled ar , /u/ spelled ar 	LESSON 2 Coord Synbles - Uy spelled age - Ver spelled ach



Level 3

Unit 1, Lesson 1-3

n Court Reading	je Arts	Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics	surger	Verbs and Verb Phrases
	Language Arts	Writing	Opinion Writing • Previning • Drafting	Opinian Writing - Revising - Edima - Auditishing Opinian Writing - Prewriting
		Inquiry/Research	Step I–Develop Questions 5 Connect Inquiry to Respect Connect a deas and Question Question Question	Step 2-Create Conjectures Tun 2 Ouestion into a Conjecture Maire a Conjecture Plan to Collect Information
		Fluency	Accuracy Rue Expression	date Information Expression Automaticity
		Vocabulary Words	endeavor halt pounds scoffed angami moster varbler forth evening alighted alighted alighted alighted alighted alighted angarlicent das anzenent	ancestors ancestors muttered recognized recognized parade parade insiged elaborde elaborde elaborde elaborde
act	Responding	Comprehension	Comprehension Strategy - Predicting Access Complex Text - Cause and Effect - Making Interences - Making Interences - Stay Elements: Character - Stay Elements: Character	Comprehension Strategies Ading and Answering Ouestions Predicting Access Complex Text • Fort and Opinion • Waking Interaces • Waking Interaces • Story Elements Setting • Longuage Use. Dialogue
nce Respect	Reading and Responding	Selection	Read Aloud: César Chávez Genre: Biography Essential Questions • What is something you are willing to fight for? • yourself is to respect? The Origoni Muster Genre: Fantay LESsential Questions • How important is friendship? • Why should Questions support your respect and support your triends? • Science Connection: Designing a Solution	Little Horoma Gene: Reutistic Fiction Gene: Reutistic Fiction LEXILE® V70L Essential Questions vour heritgee teachy you about your heritgee teach you about your serif or How can you hove fun by trying new things? - How can you hove fun by trying new things? - How can we fun the Gener. Porty Essential Question - How can we show respect for the past? Different Cutrures
d Seque		Word Analysis	Compound Words	Antonyms and Synonyms
What does respect mean to you? Unit 1 Scope and Sequence		Fluency	Decodable Stories, Book 2 • Story & Val's New Bike	Decodable Stories, Book 2 • Story 7. Vic's Big Chore
	Skills	High- Frequency Words	change find most thought tuk	close time while
	Foundational Skills	Phonics and Decoding	LESSON 1 $7d'$ spelled a and a_e $7d'$ spelled a and a_e $7d'$ spelled a and a_e	LESSON 2 . lét speled e and e_e . / ü' speled u and u_e

To download the full scope & sequence as well as other Open Court Reading resources, please visit: http://www.mheducation.com.sg/open-court-reading/comprehensive-curriculum



