

Reading Syllabus 2011-2012

Every Reading lesson will begin with the introduction of the target comprehension skill of the week. The lesson will also focus on the built-in Vocabulary for each story. Test preparation is built into the Reading lesson. During the school year, students will use the Reading Text Book and Reading Workbook together in order to be successful in learning key tested skills, test-taking strategies, and Reading concepts.

1st Semester

Unit 1: How I Spent My Summer Vacation

- Reading Concept: Sequence
- Rhyme

Goldilocks and the Three Bears

- Reading Concept: Drawing Conclusions
- Cause and Effect

Anthony Reynoso: Born to Rope

- Reading Concept: Author's Purpose
- Point of View

Herbie and Annabelle

- Reading Concept: Main Events

Unit 2: Fly Traps! Plants that Bite Back

- Reading Concept: Graphic Sources
- Main Idea

Guys from Space

- Reading Concept: Realism and Fantasy

Tornado Alert

- Reading Concept: Context Clues

Danger-Icebergs!

- Reading Concept: Fact and Opinion

Nights of the Pufflings

- Reading Concept: Main Idea
- Supporting Details

Unit 3: What Do Authors Do?

- Reading Concept: Steps in a Process

Tops and Bottoms

- Reading Concept: Summarizing
- Sequence

Mom's Best Friend

- Reading Concept: Text Structure
- Preview and Predict

Brave as a Mountain Lion

- Reading Concept: Visualizing
- Figurative Language

Your Dad Was Just Like You

- Reading Concept: Generalizing
- Context Clues

2nd Semester

Unit 4: Ananse's Feast

- Reading Concept: Theme
- Compare and Contrast

Sam and the Lucky Money

- Reading Concept: Setting
- Plot
- Characters

Thunder Cake

- Reading Concept: Cause and Effect
- Drawing Conclusions

One Grain of Rice

- Reading Concept: Compare and Contrast
- Narrative Writing

The Woman Who Outshone the Sun

- Reading Concept: Predicting
- Context Clues

Unit 5: Flight: The Journey of Charles Lindbergh

- Reading Concept: Making Judgments
- Text Structure

Chibi: A True Story from Japan

- Reading Concept: Fact and Opinion
- Visualizing

Brave Irene

- Reading Concept: Predicting
- Graphic Sources

More than Anything Else

- Reading Concept: Author's Purpose
- Fact and Opinion

Leah's Pony

- Reading Concept: Plot
- Theme

Unit 6: The Pinata Maker

- Reading Concept: Steps in a Process
- Generalizing

Mailing May

- Reading Concept: Setting
- Making Judgments

The Extra-Good Sunday

- Reading Concept: Visualizing
- Dialogue

Floating Home

- Reading Concept: Plot
- Setting

Two Bad Ants

- Reading Concept: Realism and Fantasy