

The Listening & Learning strand of the Core Knowledge Language Arts program is designed to help students build the background knowledge and vocabulary critical to listening and reading comprehension. Through introducing, presenting, and discussing read-alouds in each domain, teachers build students' listening and reading comprehension and oral language skills. For a unit-by-unit alignment of Listening & Learning objectives to the Common Core State Standards, please visit http://www.engageny.org/resource/grade-1-english-language-arts.

Each domain anthology is comprised of daily lessons, pausing points, a domain review, a domain assessment, and culminating activities.

- Pausing Points: opportunities to review, reinforce, or extend the content taught thus far. Both the
 decision to pause and the length of the pause are optional and should be determined by each
 individual teacher based on the particular class's performance.
- **Domain Review:** an opportunity to review and reinforce the material (e.g., core content and vocabulary) in the domain in order to help students prepare for the domain assessment.
- Domain Assessment: evaluates students' understanding and retention of academic vocabulary words and the core content targeted in the domain. The results should guide review and remediation the following day.
- Culminating Activities: provide remediation and/or enrichment for individual students, small
 groups, or the whole class based on the results of the Domain Assessment and students' Tens
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Fairy Tales and Tall Tales

8 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (12 Days)

This domain will introduce students to classic fairy tales and tall tales and the well-known lessons they teach. This domain will also lay the foundation for understanding stories in future grades. The first half of the Fairy Tales and Tall Tales domain focuses on fairy tales and the second half of the domain focuses on tall tales and the elements of that genre.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a fiction readaloud	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns Produce complete sentences when appropriate	Identify real-life connections between words and their use Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts	
Lesson 1: The Fisherman and His Wife	Demonstrate familiarity with "The Fisherman and His Wife" Describe the characters, plot, and setting of "The Fisherman and His Wife" Identify common characteristics of fairy tales and the fairy tale elements of "The Fisherman and His Wife" Recount "The Fisherman and His Wife" and determine the central message, lesson, or moral Describe how the fisherman feels about asking for more wishes and how the flounder feels about granting each wish in "The Fisherman and His Wife" Describe illustrations of the sea in "The Fisherman and His Wife"	Summarize content and/or oral information presented by others by using the main events in "The Fisherman and His Wife" Ask questions to clarify directions Make oral predictions before and during the read-aloud	Determine the meanings of words by using the prefix dis— Word Work: displeases Identify the correct usages of antonyms pleases and displeases	Rewrite and illustrate "The Fisherman and His Wife" using new characters, a different setting, and different wishes and share writing with others



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
Lesson 2: The Emperor's New Clothes	Recount "The Emperor's New Clothes," and determine the central message, lesson, or moral Describe how the people feel upon seeing the Emperor in his underwear in "The Emperor's New Clothes" Describe the illustration of the spinners, weavers, and tailors in "The Emperor's New Clothes"	Prior to listening to The Emperor's New Clothes," orally predict from the illustration why the emperor might be dressed as he is Rehearse and perform "The Emperor's New Clothes" for an audience using eye contact, appropriate volume, and clear enunciation	Word Work: curious	Discuss personal responses to pretending to know something and connect those to the way in which the characters in the fairy tale "The Emperor's New Clothes" pretend to know something they do not
Lesson 3: Beauty and the Beast, Part I	Describe how the beast feels when the merchant takes his rose in "Beauty and the Beast, Part I" Describe an illustration of the beast in "Beauty and the Beast, Part I" Compare and contrast orally the characteristics of fairy tales in "The Fisherman and His Wife" with the characteristics of fairy tales in "The Emperor's New Clothes"	Recount "Beauty and the Beast, Part I" through a sequence of events in the fairy tale Draw a picture of one event in "Beauty and the Beast, Part I" to demonstrate comprehension of the read-aloud Prior to listening to "Beauty and the Beast, Part I," identify orally what they know and have learned about fairy tales Prior to listening to "Beauty and the Beast, Part I," orally predict which character is royal and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction	Determine the meanings of words, such as misfortune, by using the prefix mis— Identify the correct usages of misfortune and fortune and explain that they are antonyms Word Work: fortune	Draw pictures, dictate, or write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Beauty and the Beast, Part I," including information about the main characters, the setting, and the beginning, middle, or end of the fairy tale Participate in shared writing project, by retelling the read-aloud using a series of drawings and sentences of "Beauty and the Beast, Part I" Discuss personal responses and connect those to the characters in "Beauty and the Beast, Part I"
Lesson 4: Beauty and the Beast, Part II	Recount "The Beauty and the Beast, Part II" and determine the central message, lesson, or moral Describe how Beauty's feelings changed from the beginning to the end of "Beauty and the Beast, Part II" Describe an illustration	Prior to listening to "Beauty and the Beast, Part II," orally predict from text heard thus far if the merchant will return to the castle or if one of the merchant's daughters will go in his place, also which daughter will offer to go, and if the merchant will	Identify new meanings for familiar words, such as tunes, and apply them accurately Explain the meaning of the common saying "Better late than never" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: constant	Discuss personal responses to judging a character's looks versus actions and connect those to the characters and events in the fairy tale "Beauty and the Beast, Part II"



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	in "Beauty and the Beast, Part II"	let her take his place.	Multiple Meaning Word Activity: <i>tunes</i> Sayings and Phrases: Better Late Than Never	
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 5: Paul Bunyan	Distinguish this fantasy from realistic text by explaining that some of the things in the story could not happen in real life	Clarify information about "Paul Bunyan" by asking questions that begin with what Retell content and/or oral information presented by others by using the main events in "Paul Bunyan"	Word Work: admiration	With assistance, categorize and organize characteristics about the tall tale "Paul Bunyan" into a chart
Lesson 6: Pecos Bill	Compare and contrast orally the characteristics of tall tales in "Paul Bunyan" with the characteristics of tall tales in "Pecos Bill" Distinguish this fantasy from realistic text by explaining that some of the things in the story could not happen in real life	Add drawings to clarify understanding of exaggerations found in "Pecos Bill" and "Paul Bunyan" Prior to listening to "Pecos Bill," identify orally what they know and have learned about characters from other tall tales they have heard While listening to "Pecos Bill," orally predict what will happen next based on text heard thus far	Word Work: tame	With assistance, categorize and organize characteristics about the tall tale "Pecos Bill" into a chart
Lesson 7: John Henry	Describe how the words from the "Ballad of John Henry" tell the story about John Henry Compare and contrast orally the characteristics of tall tales in "Paul Bunyan" with the characteristics of tall tales in "John Henry" Distinguish fantasy from realistic text by explaining that some of the things in the story could not happen in real life	Prior to listening to "John Henry," identify orally what they know and have learned about characteristics of tall tales Prior to listening to "John Henry," orally predict whether John Henry or the machine will win the competition and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction	Identify new meanings for familiar words, such as tracks, and apply them accurately Word Work: feats Multiple Meaning Word Activity: tracks	With assistance, categorize and organize characteristics about the tall tale "John Henry" into a chart
Lesson 8: Casey	Describe how the words from the "Ballad of Casey Jones" tell the	Prior to listening to "Casey Jones," identify orally what they know	Word Work: legendary	With assistance, categorize and organize characteristics about the



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Jones	story about Casey Jones Compare and contrast	and have learned about the tall tale John Henry		tall tale "Casey Jones" into a chart
	orally the characteristics of tall tales in "Paul Bunyan," "John Henry," and "Casey Jones"			Create a Venn diagram to generate questions and gather information about Casey Jones and John Henry
	Domain Review			
	Domain Assessment			
	Culminating Activities			



Early Asian Civilizations

14 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (18 Days)

This domain will introduce students to the continent of Asia and its two most populous countries, India and China. Students will learn about the early civilizations in India and China and how they were both able to form because of mighty rivers. Students will once again hear about the important features of early civilizations, to which they were introduced in the Grade 1 Early World Civilizations domain. These features include the advent of farming, establishment of cities and government, and other practices such as writing and religion.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a fiction read-aloud Prior to listening to "Casey Jones," identify orally what they know and have learned about the tall tale John Henry Listen to and demonstrate understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of appropriate complexity for grades 2–4	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification	Identify real-life connections between words and their use Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts	
Lesson 1: The Indus River Valley, Part I	Interpret information from a map of Asia and connect it to information learned in "The Indus River Valley, Part I"	Add drawings to descriptions of the Himalayan Mountains and the Indus River Valley to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings	Use word parts to determine the meaning of overflow in "The Indus River Valley, Part" Word Work: fertile	
Lesson 2: The Indus River Valley, Part II	Interpret information from a map of Asia and connect it to information learned in "The Indus River Valley, Part II" Identify how Sanjay feels when he is invited	Summarize orally the content of "The Indus River Valley, Part II" Ask and answer what questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the	Provide synonyms for source Word Work: source	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "The Indus River Valley, Part II" in a Civilizations Chart



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	to see the holy man	information contained in "The Indus River Valley, Part II" Prior to listening to "The Indus River Valley, Part II," identify orally what they know and have learned about ancient India		
Lesson 3: Hindus and Hinduism	Interpret information from a Civilizations Chart and a Comparison Chart and connect it to information learned in "Hindus and Hinduism" Compare and contrast orally Hinduism and other world religions	Prior to listening to "Hindus and Hinduism," identify orally what they know and have learned about the Indus River Valley civilization	Identify new meanings for the word <i>club</i> and apply them accurately Word Work: <i>represents</i> Multiple Meaning Word Activity: <i>club</i>	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Hindus and Hinduism" in a Civilizations Chart and in a Comparison Chart pertaining to Hinduism and Buddhism
Lesson 4: The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal	Recount information from "The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal," an Indian folktale, and determine the central message of the folktale Describe how the tiger, the Brahman, the buffalo, the tree, and the jackal respond to challenges in "The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal" Use information gained from the illustrations and words in "The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal" to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, or plot	Ask and answer who questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal" Prior to listening to "The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal," identify orally what they know and have learned about India and Asia Prior to listening to "The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal," orally predict which character will be the trickster in the story, and then compare the actual outcomes to predictions Rehearse and perform a dramatization of "The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal," using eye contact, appropriate volume, and clear enunciation	Determine the meaning of new words when the prefix <i>un</i> — is added to a known word Word Work: <i>unjust</i>	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "The Tiger, the Brahman, and the Jackal" in a T-chart Share writing with others
Lesson 5:	Describe how each of	Prior to listening to "The	Word Work: resembles	



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The Blind Men and the Elephant	the blind men in "The Blind Men and the Elephant" respond to challenges Describe the characters and plot of "The Blind Men and the Elephant," including how the beginning introduces the story Use information gained from the illustrations and words in "The Blind Men and the Elephant" to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, or plot	Blind Men and the Elephant," identify orally what they know and have learned about India and Asia Prior to listening to "The Blind Men and the Elephant," orally predict how the blind men will describe the elephant in the story, and then compare the actual outcomes to predictions Use regular and irregular past tense verbs correctly in oral language		
Lesson 6: Diwali	Interpret information from a chart on Hinduism and Buddhism and connect it to information learned in "Diwali"	Summarize in writing the content of "Diwali" Ask and answer who questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "Diwali" Add drawings to a summary of the information contained in "Diwali" to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Diwali," identify orally what they know and have learned about Hinduism	Word Work: custom	With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on information presented in "Diwali" and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing Share writing with others
Lesson 7: Buddhists and Buddhism	Interpret information from a Civilizations Chart and a Comparison Chart and connect them to information learned in "Buddhists and Buddhism"	Add drawings to descriptions of some obstacle they conquered to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Buddhists and Buddhists and Buddhism," identify orally what they know and have learned about Hinduism Identify how they would feel if they saw the suffering that Siddhartha	Identify new meanings for the word <i>train</i> and apply them accurately Word Work: <i>conquer</i> Multiple Meaning Word Activity: <i>train</i>	Make a personal connection to Siddhartha's theory of how people could conquer suffering and achieve happiness With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Buddhists and Buddhism" in a Civilizations Chart and in a Comparison Chart



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	-	saw	-	on religion
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 8: The Yellow and Yangtze Rivers	Interpret information from a Civilizations Chart and connect it to information learned in "The Yellow and the Yangtze Rivers" Compare and contrast orally farming in ancient China with farming in ancient India	Ask and answer what questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "The Yellow and the Yangtze Rivers" Prior to listening to "The Yellow and the Yangtze Rivers," identify orally what they know and have learned about ancient India	Word Work: sorrow	
Lesson 9: Paper, Writing, and Calligraphy	Interpret information from a Civilizations Chart and connect it to information learned in "Paper, Writing, and Calligraphy" Compare and contrast orally Chinese writing with written English	Add drawings to descriptions of paper, writing, and calligraphy in ancient China to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Paper, Writing, and Calligraphy," identify orally what they know and have learned about early Chinese civilizations	Use the antonyms durable and fragile appropriately in oral language Word Work: durable	Plan, draft, and edit an informative text that presents information from "Paper, Writing, and Calligraphy," including an introduction to a topic, relevant facts, and a conclusion Participate in a shared writing project on the topic of paper, writing, and calligraphy in ancient China With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Paper, Writing, and Calligraphy" in a Civilizations Chart Share writing with others
Lesson 10: The Magic Paintbrush	Recount information from "The Magic Paintbrush," a Chinese folktale, and determine the central message of the folktale Describe how Ma Liang, the teacher, and the emperor respond to challenges in "The Magic Paintbrush" Describe the characters and plot of	Add drawings to a summary of information heard in "The Magic Paintbrush" to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "The Magic Paintbrush," identify orally what they know and have learned about China and about folktales Prior to listening to "The	Word Work: <i>praise</i>	Make a personal connection to Ma Liang's decision to use the magic paintbrush to paint things for others



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	"The Magic Paintbrush," including how the ending concludes the story Use information gained from the illustrations and words in "The Magic Paintbrush" to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, or plot Sequence four to six pictures illustrating events in "The Magic Paintbrush"	Magic Paintbrush," orally predict what it might mean for a paintbrush to be magical, and then compare the actual outcomes to predictions		
Lesson 11: The Importance of Silk		Ask and answer what questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "The Importance of Silk" Prior to listening to "The Importance of Silk," identify orally what they know and have learned about China	Use the antonyms emerge and plunged appropriately in oral language Word Work: emerge and plunged	Plan, draft, and edit an informative text that presents information from "The Importance of Silk," including an introduction to a topic, relevant facts, and a conclusion
Lesson 12: China's Great Wall	Interpret information from a Civilizations Chart and connect it to information learned in "China's Great Wall" Identify how the people of China felt about the northern nomads taking their food, gold, and animals	Ask and answer what questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "China's Great Wall" Recount a personal experience involving the saying "easier said than done" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences Prior to listening to "China's Great Wall," identify orally what they know and have learned about The Silk Roads	Explain the meaning of "Easier said than done" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: defense Sayings and Phrases: Easier Said Than Done	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "China's Great Wall" in a Civilizations Chart Share writing with others
Lesson 13:	Interpret information	Ask and answer who	Distinguish shades of	With assistance,



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Confucius	from a Venn diagram comparing and contrasting Confucius and Siddhartha and connect it to information learned in "Confucius" Compare and contrast, in writing, Confucius and Siddhartha	questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "Confucius" Recount a personal experience involving the saying "practice what you preach" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences Prior to listening to "Confucius," identify orally what they know and have learned about Siddhartha Gautama	meaning among the adjectives willing, eager, and impatient Learn common sayings and phrases such as "practice what you preach" Word Work: eager Sayings and Phrases: Practice What You Preach	categorize and organize facts and information from "Confucius" in a Venn diagram
Lesson 14: Chinese New Year	Interpret information from a Celebrations Venn diagram and connect it to information learned in "Chinese New Year" Compare and contrast in writing Diwali and Chinese New Year	Prior to listening to "Chinese New Year," identify orally what they know and have learned about early Chinese civilization Prior to listening to "Chinese New Year," identify orally what they know and have learned about early Chinese civilization	Use word parts to determine the meaning of words ending in the suffix –uos in "Chinese New Year" Word Work: prosperous	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Chinese New Year" in a Venn diagram
	Domain Review			
	Domain Assessment			
	Culminating Activities			



The Ancient Greek Civilization

12 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (16 Days)

This domain will introduce students to an ancient civilization whose contributions can be seen in many areas of our lives today. Students will learn about the gods and goddesses of the ancient Greeks, the city-states of Sparta and Athens, and the philosophers Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle. They will learn about the first Olympic Games held in honor of Zeus, the significance of the battles of Marathon and Thermopylae, and the conquests of Alexander the Great. Students will also learn about the Greek contribution of democracy and how those ideas are used today in many governments, including our own.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and discussions	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, and linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy) Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy that makes me happy)	
Lesson 1: The Ancient Greeks	Locate the island of Crete on a map of ancient Greece and	Draw a picture to represent information from "The Ancient	Determine the meanings of words, such as	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on



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	explain that it is the largest island in the Mediterranean Sea Compare and contrast orally the characteristics of civilizations and the ancient civilizations they have already learned about	Greeks"	independently, by using the prefix 'in' Identify the correct usages of independently and dependently and explain that they are antonyms Word Work: independently	the ancient Greek civilization
Lesson 2: Mount Olympus, Part I	Recount the story of the Olympian gods and goddesses from "Mount Olympus, Part I," using transition words like first, next, then, and finally, and discuss with one or more peers Identify the three seas that surrounded ancient Greece using a map of ancient Greece as a guide	Summarize orally the information contained in "Mount Olympus, Part I" Prior to listening to "Mount Olympus, Part I," identify orally what they know and have learned about the ancient Greek civilization Prior to listening to "Mount Olympus, Part I," orally predict powers or skills that the gods and goddesses were believed to have and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction	Word Work: summoned	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization
Lesson 3: Mount Olympus, Part II	Recount the story of the Olympian gods and goddesses from "Mount Olympus, Part II," using transition words like first, next, then, and finally, including the sequence of events Interpret information from a Civilization Chart and connect it to information learned in "Mount Olympus, Part II" Compare and contrast orally the characteristics and powers of the gods and goddesses of the ancient Greeks	Summarize orally information contained in "Mount Olympus, Part II" Prior to listening to "Mount Olympus, Part II," identify orally what they know and have learned about Mount Olympus Prior to listening to "Mount Olympus, Part II," orally predict what Zeus's news for the gods and goddesses will be, and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction	Word Work: mission	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization
Lesson 4: The Olympic	Compare and contrast orally the contributions	Recount a personal experience involving the	Explain the meaning of the saying "Where	Discuss personal responses to watching



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Games	from other civilizations they have previously learned about that are still in our lives today	saying "where there's a will, there's a way" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences Prior to listening to "The Olympic Games," identify orally what they know and have learned about the beliefs of the ancient Greeks	there's a will, there's a way," and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: grand Sayings and Phrases: Where There's a Will, There's a Way	the Olympics and/or competing in a sport, and connect those to the Olympic Games in the story "The Olympic Games" With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization
Lesson 5: All for Sparta		Prior to listening to "All for Sparta," identify orally what they know and have learned about city-states and the ancient Greek civilization	Identify new meanings for familiar words, such as camp, and apply them accurately Identify the correct usages of permanently and temporarily and explain that they are antonyms Word Work: permanently	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization Discuss personal responses to knowing someone in the military, and connect those to the military in the story "All for Sparta"
Lesson 6: Athens and the Olive Tree	Locate the city-state Athens on a map of ancient Greece and explain that it is named after the goddess Athena	Prior to listening to "Athens and the Olive Tree," identify orally what they know and have learned about the gods and goddesses of ancient Greece Prior to listening to "Athens and the Olive Tree," orally predict how the city-state of Athens got its name and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction	Word Work: ideal	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization
	Compare and contrast orally the city-states of Athens and Sparta. Compare and contrast orally the contributions from other civilizations they have previously learned about that are still in our lives today	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization	Word Work: democracy	Write a persuasive piece that expresses and supports opinions on how a city-state should best be set up and governed using "Athens: The Birthplace of Democracy" Discuss personal responses to having an



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				idea that was completely different from what everyone else was doing or thinking and connect those to the Greeks in the story "Athens: The Birthplace of Democracy" With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 8: Marathon		Recount the generals' story from "Marathon" using a Somebody Wanted But So Then chart and discuss with one or more peers Draw a picture to represent information and details from "Marathon" Prior to listening to "Marathon," identify orally what they know and have learned about the contributions the ancient Greeks made to modern-day civilizations	Word Work: tribute	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization
Lesson 9: Thermopylae: The Persians Strike Again		Clarify information about "Thermopylae: The Persians Strike Again" by asking questions that begin with where Prior to listening to "Thermopylae: The Persians Strike Again," identify orally what they know and have learned about the battle on the plains of Marathon Prior to listening to "Thermopylae: The Persians Strike Again," orally predict whether	Identify new meanings for familiar words, such as channel, and apply them accurately Distinguish shades of meaning among closely related verbs, such as prefer and like Word Work: prefer Multiple Meaning Word Activity: channel	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization



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		the outcome at Thermopylae will be the same as or different than the battle at Marathon and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction		
Lesson 10: The Great Thinkers of Greece	Describe the life of someone living in the time of ancient Greece using details from "The Great Thinkers of Greece"	Clarify information about "The Great Thinkers of Greece" by asking questions that begin with who Prior to listening to "The Great Thinkers of Greece," identify orally what they know and have learned about the battle at Thermopylae	Explain the meaning of the saying "Practice what you preach" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: marvelous Sayings and Phrases: Practice What You Preach	Create an original narrative about someone living in the time of ancient Greece with characters, and a beginning, middle, and an end Participate in a shared writing project for a fictional narrative With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization
Lesson 11: Alexander the Great, Part I	Describe the life of someone living in the time of ancient Greece using details from "Alexander the Great, Part I"	Prior to listening to "Alexander the Great, Part I," identify orally what they know and have learned about philosophy and Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle Prior to listening to "Alexander the Great, Part I," orally predict who Alexander the Great was and how he received his name and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction	Word Work: tame	Create an original narrative about someone living in the time of ancient Greece with characters and a beginning, middle, and an end With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on writing a fictional narrative and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing Participate in a share writing project for a fictional narrative Discuss personal responses to solving a problem by first observing things and then coming up with a clever idea and connect those to Alexander in the story "Alexander the



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				Great, Part I" With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information on the ancient Greek civilization
Lesson 12: Alexander the Great, Part II	Interpret information from a map of the empire of Alexander the Great using the story "Alexander the Great, Part II" Describe the life of someone living in the time of ancient Greece using details from "Alexander the Great, Part II"	Prior to listening to "Alexander the Great, Part II," identify orally what they know and have learned about Alexander the Great's early life Prior to listening to "Alexander the Great, Part II," orally predict what Alexander's greatest adventure will be and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction	Determine the meanings of words, such as invader, by using the root word as a clue Word Work: invader	Create an original narrative about someone living in the time of ancient Greece with characters and a beginning, middle, and an end Participate in a shared writing project for a fictional narrative Share the edited narrative paragraph about someone living in the time of ancient Greece and discuss with one or more peers
	Domain Review			
	Domain Assessment			
	Culminating Activities			



Greek Myths

10 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (14 Days)

This domain builds on The Ancient Greek Civilization domain and will introduce students to several well-known Greek myths and many well-known mythical characters. Students will learn that the ancient Greeks worshipped many gods and goddesses, and that the 12 they believed lived on Mount Olympus, the home of the gods, were the most powerful. Students will learn the definition of a myth: a fictional story, once thought to be true that tried to explain mysteries of nature and humankind. They will also learn about myths that include supernatural beings or events, and that myths give insight into the ancient Greek culture. Students will hear about Prometheus and Pandora, Demeter and Persephone, Arachne the Weaver, the Sphinx, and Hercules, among others.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a fiction read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a fiction read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Use information gained from the illustrations and words in a read-aloud to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, or plot	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Summarize (orally or in writing) text content and/or oral information presented by others Produce complete	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy) Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy, that makes me happy)	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
		sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification		
Lesson 1: The Twelve Gods of Mount Olympus	Orally compare and contrast Greek gods and humans Interpret information pertaining to Greece from a world map or globe and connect it to information learned in "The Twelve Gods of Mount Olympus" Identify how Leonidas feels about going to Olympia to see the races held in honor of Zeus	Add drawings to descriptions of the Greek god Zeus to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings	Word Work: spectators	Share writing with others
Lesson 2: Prometheus and Pandora	Recount information from "Prometheus and Pandora," a Greek myth, and determine the central meaning of the myth Describe how Prometheus, Epimetheus, and Pandora respond to challenges in "Prometheus and Pandora" Interpret information pertaining to Greece from a world map or globe and connect it to information learned in "The Twelve Gods of Mount Olympus" Identify how Pandora feels when all of the terrible things burst out of the box	Add drawings to descriptions of the myth "Prometheus and Pandora" to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings	Word Work: amusing	
Lesson 3: Demeter and Persephone	Recount information from "Demeter and Persephone," a Greek myth, and determine the central message of the	Add drawings to descriptions of the myth "Demeter and Persephone" to clarify ideas, thoughts, and	Provide synonyms for retrieve Identify new meanings for the word pine and apply them accurately	



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	myth Describe how Persephone, Demeter, Hades, and Zeus respond to challenges in "Demeter and Persephone" Describe the characters and plot of "Demeter and Persephone," including how the beginning introduces the story Identify how Demeter feels when she realizes Persephone is missing	feelings	Word Work: retrieve Multiple Meaning Word Activity: pine	
Lesson 4: Arachne the Weaver	Recount information from "Arachne the Weaver," a Greek myth, and determine the central message of the myth Describe how Arachne and Athena respond to challenges in "Arachne the Weaver" Describe the characters and plot of "Arachne the Weaver," including how the ending concludes the action Interpret information pertaining to Greece from a world map or globe and connect it to information learned in various Greek myths	Add drawings to descriptions of the myth "Arachne the Weaver" to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings	Provide synonyms for flattered Word Work: flattered	Plan, Draft, and edit a narrative retelling of "Arachne the Weaver," including a title, setting, characters, and well-elaborated events of the of the story in proper sequence, including details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings, using temporal words to signal event order, and providing a sense of closure Make a personal connection to Arachne and her feelings when Athena calls her work superior Share writing with others
Lesson 5: Theseus and the Minotaur	Recount information from "Theseus and the Minotaur," a Greek myth, and determine the central message of the myth Describe how Theseus, King Minos, Princess Ariadne, and King Aegeus respond to challenges in "Theseus	Ask and answer who questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "Theseus and the Minotaur"	Provide synonyms for unraveling Word Work: unraveling	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Theseus and the Minotaur" in a "Which Happened First?" Chart



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	and the Minotaur"			
Lesson 6: Daedalus and Icarus	Recount information from "Daedalus and Icarus," a Greek myth, and determine the central message of the myth Describe how Daedalus and Icarus respond to challenges in "Daedalus and Icarus" Identify how King Minos feels when he discovers Theseus escaped from the Labyrinth	Ask and answer what questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "Daedalus and Icarus" Recount a personal experience involving "cold feet" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences Use adjectives correctly in oral language	Explain the meaning of "Cold feet" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: proof Sayings and Phrases: Cold Feet	Make a personal connection to the method of escape devised by Daedalus in "Daedalus and Icarus"
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 7: Hercules	Recount information from "Hercules," a Greek myth, and determine the central message of the myth Describe how Hercules responds to challenges in "Hercules" Identify how Hercules feels when he was feared by Greek citizens		Word Work: aimlessly	Plan, draft, and edit a narrative Greek myth, including a title, setting, characters, and well-elaborated events of the story in proper sequence, including details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings, using temporal words to signal event order, and providing a sense of closure Make a personal connection to friendship as it is depicted in "Hercules"
Lesson 8: Other Adventures of Hercules	Recount information from "Other Adventures of Hercules," a Greek myth, and determine the central message of the myth Describe how Hercules and Atlas respond to challenges in "Other Adventures of Hercules" Identify how Hercules feels at the end of the	Recount a personal experience involving "back to the drawing board" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences Make predictions orally prior to listening to "Other Adventures of Hercules" and then compare the	Explain the meaning of "Back to the drawing board" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: <i>guidance</i> Sayings and Phrases: <i>Back to the Drawing Board</i>	Plan, draft, and edit a narrative Greek myth, including a title, setting, characters, and well-elaborated events of the story in proper sequence, including details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings, using temporal words to signal event order, and providing a sense of



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	story compared to how he felt at the beginning of the story	actual outcomes to predictions		closure
Lesson 9: Oedipus and the Riddle of the Sphinx	Recount information from "Oedipus and the Riddle of the Sphinx," a Greek myth, and determine the central message of the myth	Ask and answer what questions or ally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "Oedipus and the Riddle of the Sphinx"	Word Work: insisted	Plan, draft, and edit a narrative Greek myth, including a title, setting, characters, and well-elaborated events of the story in proper sequence, including details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings, using temporal words to signal event order, and providing a sense of closure With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on information presented in the <i>Greek Myths</i> domain and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing Share writing with others
Lesson 10: Atalanta and the Golden Apples	Recount information from "Atalanta and the Golden Apples," a Greek myth, and determine the central message of the myth Describe how Atalanta and Hippomenes respond to challenges in "Atalanta and the Golden Apples" Describe the characters and plot of "Atalanta and the Golden Apples," including how the ending concludes the story	Create audio recordings of student-written Greek myths Orally change the ending to the story of "Atalanta and the Golden Apples"	Provide antonyms for resist Identify new meanings for the word palm and apply them accurately Word Work: resist Multiple Meaning Word: palm	Plan, draft, and edit a narrative Greek myth, including a title, setting, characters, and well-elaborated events of the story in proper sequence, including details to describe actions, thoughts, and feelings, using temporal words to signal event order, and providing a sense of closure With guidance and support from adults, explore a variety of digital tools to produce and publish a Greek myth Share writing with others
	Domain Review			
	Domain Assessment			
	Culminating Activities			



The War of 1812

8 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (12 Days)

This domain will introduce students to an important period in the history of the United States—the time during the War of 1812.

The War of 1812 is, perhaps, best remembered as the war that gave birth to "The Star-Spangled Banner." Students will also learn why the War of 1812 is often called America's second war for independence. Students will learn how the United States was affected by the Napoleonic Wars between France and Great Britain. They will learn about James and Dolley Madison, and their direct connection to the War of 1812. Students will learn about Great Britain's three-part plan to win back the United States. This includes attacks on Washington, D.C. and Baltimore, and the Battle of New Orleans. This domain will build the foundation for learning about Westward Expansion, The U.S. Civil War, and Immigration later in Grade 2 as well as for learning about other periods of American history in future grades.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and discussions Listen to and demonstrate understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of appropriate complexity for grades 2–4	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over a least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail	t and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., Wher other kids are happy)	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading /	Speaking &	Language &	
	Comprehension	Listening		Writing
		or clarification		
Lesson 1: America in 1812, Part I	Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812	Ask questions to clarify directions for the Portrait of America in 1812 activity	Word Work: represent	Share writing with others
Lesson 2: America in 1812, Part II	Identify the main topic of the read-aloud "America in 1812, Part II" by creating a portrait of James Madison and writing a brief summary Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the Napoleonic Wars and the War of 1812	Draw pictures to represent details or information from "America in 1812, Part II" Make an audio or video recording to represent details or information from "America in 1812, Part II" Prior to listening to "America in 1812, Part II," identify what they know and have learned about George Washington Rehearse and perform poems, stories, and plays for an audience using eye contact, appropriate volume, and clear enunciation	Word Work: patience	Plan, write, and present a persuasive speech either for or against the War of 1812 Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "America in 1812, Part II" Make a connection between having friends who are in an argument and when Britain and France were at war Share writing with others
Lesson 3: Mr. and Mrs. Madison		Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word what to clarify information in "Mr. and Mrs. Madison" Prior to listening to "Mr. and Mrs. Madison," identify what they know and have learned about the Constitution	Use word parts to determine meaning of unknown words such as beauty and beautiful Determine the meaning of multiple-meaning words and phrases, such as branches Word Work: magnificen Multiple Meaning Word Activity: branches	
Lesson 4: Another War Already?	Describe how words and phrases supply rhythm and meaning in the poem "Old Ironsides" Identify the main topic of the read-aloud "Another War Already?"	Draw pictures to represent details or information from "Another War Already?" Prior to listening to "Another War Already?" identify what they know	Word Work: economy	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Another War Already?" Share writing with others



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	by creating a portrait of the USS Constitution and writing a brief summary	and have learned about James and Dolley Madison		
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 5: The Attack on Washington, D.C.	Identify the main topic of the read-aloud "The Attack on Washington, D.C." by creating a portrait of Dolley Madison and writing a brief summary	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word where to clarify information in "The Attack on Washington, D.C."	Word Work: quench	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Attack on Washington, D.C." Share writing with others
	Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the attack on Washington, D.C., and the War of 1812	Draw pictures to represent details or information from "The Attack on Washington, D.C." Prior to listening to "The Attack on Washington, D.C." identify what they know and have learned about the War of 1812		
Lesson 6: Broad Stripes and Bright Stars	Describe how words and phrases supply rhythm and meaning in the song "The Star-Spangled Banner" Identify the main topic of "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars" by creating a portrait of Francis Scott Key and writing a brief summary Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the Battle of Fort McHenry and "The Star-Spangled Banner" Compare and contrast similarities and differences between the song "The Star-Spangled Banner" and the story of "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars"	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word what to clarify information in "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars" Draw pictures to represent details or information from "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars' Prior to listening to "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars," identify what they know and have learned about the attack on Washington, D.C. Rehearse and perform poems, stories, and plays for an audience using eye contact, appropriate volume, and clear enunciation	words and phrases, such as scrambled Word Work: inspired Multiple Meaning Word Activity: scrambled	the national anthem and the story of "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars" Make a personal



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Lesson 7: The Battle After the War	Describe how words and phrases supply rhythm and meaning in the song "The Battle of New Orleans" Identify the main topic of "The Battle After the War" by creating a portrait of Andrew Jackson and writing a brief summary Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the Battle of New Orleans and the War of 1812	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word who to clarify information in "The Battle After the War" Recount a personal experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details about an example of "where there's a will there's a way" Draw pictures to represent details or information from "The Battle After the War" Prior to listening to "The Battle After the War," identify what they know and have learned about the Battle of Fort McHenry Prior to listening to "The Battle After the War," predict why the readaloud is called "The Battle After the War," predict why the readaloud is cal	Learn common sayings and phrases such as "Where there's a will there's a way" Word Work: astonished Sayings and Phrases: Where There's a Will There's a Way	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Battle After the War" Share writing with others
Lesson 8: Peace and Pirates	Identify the main topic of "Peace and Pirates" by creating a portrait of Jean Lafitte and writing a brief summary Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the Battle of New Orleans and the War of 1812 Compare and contrast similarities and	Ask questions to clarify directions for Researching the War of 1812 Draw pictures to represent details or information from "Peace and Pirates" Prior to listening to "Peace and Pirates," identify what they know and have learned about Andrew Jackson and the	Provide antonyms of core vocabulary words, such as dejected and jubilant Distinguish shades of meaning among closely related adjectives Word Work: dejected and jubilant	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Peace and Pirates" Participate in a shared research project about the War of 1812 With assistance, categorize and organize information within a domain to answer questions Generate questions and



Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
differences between the pirates and privateers during the War of 1812	Battle of New Orleans		seek information from multiple sources to answer questions about the War of 1812 Share writing with others
Domain Review			
Domain Assessment			
Culminating Activities			



Cycles in Nature

9 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (13 Days)

This domain will introduce your students to the many natural cycles that make life on Earth possible. Your students will increase their knowledge of cycles in nature by learning more about seasonal cycles, and by beginning their study of flowering plants and trees, animal life cycles, and the importance of the water cycle. Students will also learn about the effect seasonal changes have on plants and animals. In addition, throughout this domain, students will gain exposure to poems by renowned authors Emily Dickinson and Robert Louis Stevenson. As students learn that all organisms experience the developmental stages of the life cycle, they will also learn how their growth and development relates to Earth's seasonal cycles and begin to understand how all organisms depend on Earth's limited water supply.

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These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Identify the main topic of a multi-paragraph nonfiction/informational read-aloud as well as the focus of specific paragraphs within the text Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and discussions Listen to and demonstrate	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions, e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc. Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification	Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy, that makes me happy)	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of appropriate complexity for grades 2–4			
Lesson 1: The Cycle of Daytime and Nighttime	Identify the main topic of "The Cycle of Daytime and Nighttime" Describe the connection between the earth's rotation and daytime and nighttime Interpret information from a diagram of the earth's rotation using the read-aloud "The Cycle of Daytime and Nighttime" Identify and express whether they are able to feel the rotation of Earth	Prior to listening to "The Cycle of Daytime and Nighttime," identify orally what they know about the differences between daytime and nighttime	Identify new meanings for the word stage and apply them accurately Word Work: thrive Multiple Meaning Word Activity: stage	
Lesson 2: The Reasons for Seasons	Identify the main topic of "The Reasons for Seasons" Describe the connection between the tilt of the Earth as it orbits the sun and the seasons With assistance, create and interpret a chart on characteristics of seasons, and connect it to information learned in "The Reasons for Seasons" Discuss personal responses to seasonal activities they participate in, and connect those to the seasons	Prior to listening to "The Reasons for Seasons," identify orally what they know and have learned about the rotation of the Earth	Word Work: tilt	



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etween arth as it and the l contrast sunlight eceives ter and both on hal life onal to the ows at of the day on of the	Ask and answer why questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "Four Seasons in One Year"	Identify new meanings for the word buds, and apply them accurately Use knowledge of the meaning of individual words to predict the meanings of compound words Word Work: adapt Multiple Meaning Word Activity: buds	
nain topic ycle of a I contrast sunlight ures during vinter and both on hal life ur to six rating the sunflower	Ask and answer what questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "The Life Cycle of a Plant"	Identify new meanings for the word <i>bats</i> , and apply them accurately Word Work: <i>protective</i>	
ain topic of e of a l contrast f a the life	Prior to listening to "The Life Cycle of a Tree," identify orally what they know and have learned about the life cycle of a plant	Word Work: germination	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information in order to complete a Venn diagram comparing and contrasting the life cycles of sunflowers and trees
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	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
Lesson 6: Which Came First, the Chicken or the Egg?	Identify the main topic of "Which Came First, the Chicken or the Egg?" Compare and contrast images of a chicken and a tyrannosaurus rex Compare and contrast the life cycle of a plant and the life cycle of a chicken	Summarize in writing the content of "Which Came First, the Chicken or the Egg?" Add drawings to a summary of the information contained in "Which Came First, the Chicken or the Egg?" to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Which Came First, the Chicken or the Egg?", orally predict whether the chicken or the egg came first, and then compare the actual outcomes to predictions	Word Work: replenished	With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on information presented in "Which Came First, the Chicken or the Egg?" and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing Share writing with others
Lesson 7: The Life Cycle of a Frog	Identify the main topic of "The Life Cycle of a Frog"	Ask and answer what questions orally to gather information or deepen understanding of the information contained in "The Life Cycle of a Frog" Prior to listening to "The Life Cycle of a Frog," identify orally what they know and have learned about the life cycles of plants, trees, and chickens	Word Work: burrow	Write an informational paragraph explaining the stages of the life cycle of a frog With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on information presented in "The Life Cycle of a Frog" and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing Share writing with others
Lesson 8: The Life Cycle of a Butterfly	Identify the main topic of "The Life Cycle of a Butterfly" Compare and contrast the life cycle of a chicken to the life cycle of a frog Make and describe a personal connection to how outgrowing one's clothes resembles a caterpillar molting its skin Sequence four to six pictures illustrating the life cycle of a butterfly		Identify new meanings for the word <i>round</i> and apply them accurately Word Work: <i>transparent</i>	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
Lesson 9: The Water Cycle	Identify the main topic of the "The Water Cycle"	Summarize in writing observations of the indoor water cycle Add drawings to a summary of observations of the indoor water cycle Prior to listening to "The Water Cycle," orally identify information they know and have learned about the life cycles of plants, trees, chickens, frogs, and butterflies	Word Work: participation	
	Domain Review			
	Domain Assessment			
	Culminating Activities			



Westward Expansion

9 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (13 Days)

This domain will introduce students to an important period in the history of the United States—the time of westward expansion during the 1800s. Students will learn why pioneers were willing and eager to endure hardships to move westward. Students will learn about important innovations in both transportation and communication during that period, which greatly increased the movement of people westward. More specifically, students will learn about Fulton's steamboat, the Erie Canal, the transcontinental railroad, and the Pony Express. Students will also come to understand the hardships and tragedies that Native Americans endured because of westward expansion. This domain will build the foundation for learning about The U.S. Civil War and Immigration later in Grade 2 as well as for learning about other periods of American history in future grades.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Identify the main topic of a multi-paragraph nonfiction/informational read-aloud as well as the focus of specific paragraphs within the text Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and discussions	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy) Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy that makes me happy)	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	Listen to and demonstrate understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of appropriate complexity for grades 2–4			
Lesson 1: Going West	Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as colonial times and westward expansion With assistance, create and interpret timelines related to colonial times and westward expansion	Ask questions to clarify directions for the Westward Expansion Quilt activity Draw pictures to represent details or information from "Going West" Prior to listening to "Going West," identify what they know about America prior to westward expansion	Word Work: sights	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Going West" Make personal connections to going on a long car ride and moving to a new place like pioneer families' journeys westward Share writing with others
Lesson 2: Mr. Fulton's Journey	Identify the main topic of "Mr. Fulton's Journey" by creating a quilt square Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the invention of Fulton's steamboat and westward expansion With assistance, create and interpret a timeline related to the invention of Fulton's steamboat and westward expansion	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word who to clarify information in "Mr. Fulton's Journey" Draw pictures to represent details or information from "Mr. Fulton's Journey" Prior to listening to "Mr. Fulton's Journey," identify what they know and have learned about people moving west	Determine the meaning of multiple-meaning words and phrases, such as back Word Work: voyage Multiple Meaning Word Activity: back	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Mr. Fulton's Journey" Share writing with others
Lesson 3: The Journal of a Twelve-Year- Old on the Erie Canal	Describe how words and phrases supply rhythm and meaning in the song "The Erie Canal" Identify the main topic of "The Journal of a Twelve-Year-Old on the Erie Canal" by creating a quilt square Describe the connection between a	Draw pictures to represent details or information from "The Journal of a Twelve-Year-Old on the Erie Canal" Prior to listening to "The Journal of a Twelve-Year-Old on the Erie Canal," identify what they know and have	Determine the meaning of multiple-meaning words and phrases, such as board Word Work: transport Multiple Meaning Word Activity: board	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Journal of a Twelve-Year-Old on the Erie Canal" Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Journal of a Twelve-Year-Old on the Erie Canal" Share writing with others



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	series of historical events such as the Erie Canal and westward expansion With assistance, create and interpret a timeline related to westward expansion and the Erie Canal Compare and contrast similarities and differences between the song "The Erie Canal" and the character in "The Journal of a Twelve- Year-Old on the Erie Canal"	learned about canals		
Lesson 4: The Story of Sequoyah	Identify the main topic of "The Story of Sequoyah" by creating a quilt square Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the Cherokee writing and westward expansion With assistance, create and interpret a timeline related to Cherokee writing and westward expansion	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word who to clarify information in "The Story of Sequoyah" Recount a personal experience with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details about a time when they had to "go back to the drawing board" Draw pictures to represent details or information from "The Story of Sequoyah" Prior to listening to "The Story of Sequoyah," identify what they know and have learned about Native American tribes	Learn common sayings and phrases such as "Back to the drawing board" Word Work: create Sayings and Phrases: Back to the Drawing Board	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Story of Sequoyah" Share writing with others
Lesson 5: The Trail of Tears	Identify the main topic of "The Trail of Tears" by creating a quilt square Describe the connection between a	Draw pictures to represent details or information from "The Trail of Tears" Prior to listening to "The Trail of Tears,"	Word Work: encountered	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Trail of Tears" Share writing with others



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	series of historical events such as the Trail of Tears and westward expansion With assistance, create and interpret a timeline related to the Trail of Tears and westward expansion Compare and contrast similarities and differences between John Ross and Sequoyah, two leaders of the Cherokee	identify what they know and have learned about Sequoyah and the Cherokee		
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 6: Westward on the Oregon Trail	Identify the main topic of "Westward on the Oregon Trail" Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the Oregon Trail and westward expansion With assistance, create and interpret a timeline related to the Oregon Trail and westward expansion	Interpret information presented, and then ask questions to clarify information in "Westward on the Oregon Trail" Prior to listening to "Westward on the Oregon Trail," identify what they know and have learned about settlers moving westward and the forced relocation of the Cherokee Rehearse and perform poems, stories, and plays for an audience using eye contact, appropriate volume, and clear enunciation	Word Work: territory	Participate in a shared research project about the Oregon Territory Make a connection between the family in "Westward on the Oregon Trail" and the family in "Going West" Make a personal connection to packing all of your family's personal belongings in a covered wagon Generate questions and seek information from multiple sources to answer questions about the Oregon Territory
Lesson 7: The Pony Express	Identify the main topic of "The Pony Express" by creating a quilt square Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the Pony Express and westward expansion	Draw pictures to represent details or information from "The Pony Express" Prior to listening to "The Pony Express," identify what they know and have learned about transportation and	Word Work: endurance	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Pony Express" Make personal connections (orally or in writing) to events or experiences in a readaloud and/or make connections among



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	With assistance, create and interpret a timeline related to the Pony Express and westward expansion	people moving westward Rehearse and perform poems, stories, and plays for an audience using eye contact, appropriate volume, and clear enunciation		several read-alouds Share writing with others
Lesson 8: Working on the Transcontinental Railroad	Describe how words and phrases supply rhythm and meaning in the song "I've Been Working on the Railroad" Identify the main topic of "Working on the Transcontinental Railroad" by creating a quilt square Describe the connection between a series of historical events such as the transcontinental railroad and westward expansion With assistance, create and interpret a timeline related to the transcontinental railroad and westward expansion Compare and contrast similarities and differences between the steamboat and the locomotive	Draw pictures to represent details or information from "Working on the Transcontinental Railroad" Prior to listening to "Working on the Transcontinental Railroad," identify what they know and have learned about transportation and people moving westward	Use word parts to determine meanings Provide antonyms of core vocabulary words, such as convenient and inconvenient Word Work: convenient	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Working on the Transcontinental Railroad" With assistance, categorize and organize information within a domain to answer questions Share writing with others
Lesson 9: The Buffalo Hunters	Identify the main topic of "The Buffalo Hunters" by creating a quilt square	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word who to clarify information in "The Buffalo Hunter" Draw pictures to represent details or information from "The Buffalo Hunters"	Word Work: solemnly	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Buffalo Hunters" Make personal connections (orally or in writing) to events or experiences in a readaloud and/or make connections among several read-alouds



Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	Prior to listening to "The Buffalo Hunters," identify what they know and have learned about buffalo and the Lakota Sioux		Share writing with others
Domain Review			
Domain Assessment			
Culminating Activities			



Insects

8 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (12 Days)

This domain will introduce students to the largest group of animals on Earth. Students will learn the characteristics of insects, the life cycles of insects, how insects can be categorized as solitary or social, and how insects are viewed as both helpful and harmful. For example, students will learn how insects are important to the process of pollination and in the production of honey, some cosmetics and even medicines. Students will gather the information they learn in a journal and will have the opportunity to further research questions and points of interest. Students will use the information gathered in their journals to plan, draft, and edit an informational narrative. This domain will lay the foundation for review and further study of the life cycles, habitats, and classifications of insects and other animals.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and discussions Listen to and demonstrate understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of appropriate complexity for grades 2–4	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy) Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy that makes me happy)	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
		or clarification		
Lesson 1: Insects Everywhere!		Ask questions to clarify directions for a research and writing activity involving insects Add drawings to descriptions of insects to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings	Explain the meaning of "Eaten out of house and home" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: habitats Sayings and Phrases: Eaten Out of House and Home	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Insects Everywhere!" to determine in which habitats insects can be found Generate questions and
				gather information from multiple sources to answer questions about insects
Lesson 2: What Makes an Insect and Insect?	Identify the main purpose of "What Makes an Insect an Insect?" including what the author wants to explain	Recount a personal experience with insects with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences	Use the antonyms microscopic and gigantic appropriately in oral language	Make a personal connection in writing to experiences with insects
	Orally compare and contrast insects and non-insects, such as spiders	Add drawings to descriptions of insects to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "What Makes an Insect an Insect?" identify orally what they know and have learned about insects and their habitats Prior to listening to "What Makes an Insect and Insect?" orally predict the characteristics of an insect, and then compare the actual outcomes to predictions	Word Work: microscopic	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading /	Speaking &	Language &	
	Comprehension	Listening	Vocabulary	Writing
Lesson 3: Life Cycles of Insects	metamorphosis to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Life Cycles of Insects," identify orally what they know and have learned	Plan, draft, and edit an informative text that presents information from "Life Cycles of Insects," including an introduction to a topic, relevant facts, and a conclusion Participate in a shared		
		insects		research project on the life cycles of insects With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Life Cycles of Insects" to determine the differences between complete and incomplete metamorphosis Generate questions and gather information from multiple sources to answer questions about the life cycles of insects
Lesson 4: Social Insects: Bees and Wasps	Describe the connections among honeybee workers, drones, and queen bees Orally compare and contrast the nests of honeybees and wasps	Add drawings to descriptions of bees and wasps to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Social Insects: Bees and Wasps," identify orally what they know and have learned about social and solitary insects	Identify new meanings for the word <i>comb</i> and apply them accurately Word Work: <i>cooperate</i> Multiple Meaning Word Activity: <i>comb</i>	Plan, draft, and edit an informative text that presents information from "Social Insects: Bees and Wasps," including an introduction to a topic, relevant facts, and a conclusion Participate in a shared research project on bees and wasps With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Social Insects: Bees and Wasps" to learn more about bees and wasps Generate questions and gather information from multiple sources to answer questions about bees and wasps
	Pausing Point			



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
Lesson 5: Social Insects: Ants and Termites	Describe the reasons or facts the author of "Social Insects: Ants and Termites" gives to support the statement that ants are social insects	Add drawings to descriptions of ants and termites to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Social Insects: Ants and Termites," identify orally what they know and have learned about insects	Use the antonyms destructive and constructive appropriately in oral language Word Work: microscopic	Plan, draft, and edit an informative text that presents information about insects, including an introduction to a topic, relevant facts, and a conclusion Participate in a shared research project on insects With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Social Insects: Ants and Termites" Generate questions and gather information from multiple sources to answer questions about ants and termites
Lesson 6: Insects That Glow and Sing		Add drawings to descriptions of fireflies, grasshoppers, and crickets to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Insects That Glow and Sing," identify orally what they know and have learned about insects	Use the antonyms transparent and opaque appropriately in oral language Use adverbs correctly in oral language Word Work: transparent	Plan, draft, and edit an informative text that presents information about insects, including an introduction to a topic, relevant facts, and a conclusion Participate in a shared research project on insects With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Insects That Glow and Sing" Generate questions and gather information from multiple sources to answer questions about insects



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
Lesson 7: Armored Tanks of the Insect World	Describe the reasons or facts the author of "Armored Tanks of the Insect World" gives to explain why beetles are the largest group of insects on Earth	Add drawings to descriptions of insects that use mimicry to protect themselves to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Armored Tanks of the Insect World," identify orally what they know and have learned about insects	Word Work: mimicry	Plan, draft, and edit an informative text that presents information about insects, including an introduction to a topic, relevant facts, and a conclusion Participate in a shared research project on insects With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "Armored Tanks of the Insect World" about beetles Generate questions and gather information from multiple sources to answer questions about beetles
Lesson 8: Friend or Foe?	Identify the main topic of "Friend or Foe?" Describe the connections between actions taken by humans and the extinction of some insects		Use the antonyms foe and friend appropriately in oral language Identify new meanings for the word bug and apply them accurately Word Work: foe Multiple Meaning Word Activity: bug	Plan, draft, and edit an informative text that presents information about insects, including an introduction to a topic, relevant facts, and a conclusion With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on the topic of insects and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing
	Domain Review			
	Domain Assessment Culminating Activities			
	Cultilliating Activities			



The U.S. Civil War

11 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (15 Days)

This domain will introduce students to an important period in the history of the United States. Students will learn about the controversy over slavery between the North and the South, which eventually led to the U.S. Civil War. They will learn about this war and how the end of the war also meant the end of slavery.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Describe the connection between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and discussions Listen to and demonstrate understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Create audio recordings of stories or poems; add drawings or other visual displays to stories or recounts of experiences when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy) Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy, that makes me happy)	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	appropriate complexity for grades 2–4	or clarification		
Lesson 1: Harriet Tubman, Part I	Interpret information from the Slavery Freedom T-chart from "Harriet Tubman, Part I" to explain what slavery was like Compare and contrast similarities and differences between slavery and freedom	Identify and express physical sensations, mental states, and emotions of themselves and those of enslaved people in "Harriet Tubman, Part I"	Word Work: value	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Harriet Tubman, Part I" Make personal connections between their nickname and Harriet Tubman's nickname, Minty, in "Harriet Tubman, Part I" With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information within The U.S. Civil War to answer questions about what slavery was like in order to write a Civil War journal entry Share writing with others
Lesson 2: Harriet Tubman, Part II	Determine the meaning of the poem "Harriet Tubman" Determine the meaning of the song "Follow the Drinking Gourd" Use information gained from an illustration in "Harriet Tubman, Part II" to demonstrate understanding of the characters, setting, or plot Interpret information from the Slavery and Freedom T-chart from the read-aloud "Harriet Tubman, Part I" to discuss what a "journey to freedom" along the Underground Railroad meant to the runaway slaves Identify and express	Prior to listening to "Harriet Tubman, Part II," predict orally whether Harriet Tubman fights for and wins her freedom, and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction Prior to listening to "Harriet Tubman, Part II," identify orally what they know and have learned from the previous read-aloud "Harriet Tubman, Part I	Determine the meaning of multiple-meaning words and phrases, such as <i>flies</i> Word Work: <i>value</i> Multiple Meaning Word Activity: <i>flies</i>	Make personal connections orally about the pros and cons of being rebellious Share writing with others



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	physical sensations, mental states, and emotions of themselves, Harriet Tubman, and the enslaved Africans in the read-aloud "Harriet Tubman, Part II"			
Lesson 3: The Controversy over Slavery	Interpret information from the North and the South T-Chart to explain the differences between the North and the South as described in the read-aloud "The Controversy Over Slavery" Compare and contrast the North and the South	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word what to clarify information in "The Controversy Over Slavery"	Word Work: economy	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Controversy Over Slavery" With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information about the North and the South to answer questions Share writing with others
Lesson 4: Abraham Lincoln	Determine the central message in the poem "Lincoln" Describe the connection between a series of historical events in Abraham Lincoln's life, the effect of these events on his views of slavery, and how his views changed the views of others in the read-aloud "Abraham Lincoln"	Summarize orally text from the read-aloud "Abraham Lincoln" using the Flip Book images from the read-aloud Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word who to clarify information in "Abraham Lincoln"	Provide antonyms of core vocabulary words, such as <i>expand</i> Word Work: <i>expand</i>	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Abraham Lincoln" Share writing with others
Lesson 5: The Division of the United States	Interpret information from a map and map key to understand which states belonged to the Union and which belonged to the Confederacy Interpret information from a timeline to sequence some of the important events surrounding the U.S. Civil War	Ask questions to clarify directions for the Map of the Union and Confederacy activity Prior to listening to "The Division of the United States," orally predict whether the country is pulled apart by differing views on slavery, and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction Prior to listening to "The	Word Work: Confederacy and Union	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Division of the United States" With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information to write about the differences between the Union and the Confederacy as part of the Civil War Journal activity



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
		Division of the United States," orally identify what they know and have learned about Abraham Lincoln, the North and the South, and differing views regarding slavery		Share writing with others
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 6: The War Begins		Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word where to clarify information in "The War Begins" Recount a personal experience involving the saying "easier said than done" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences	Determine the meanings of words, such as <i>civilians</i> , by using the root word as a clue Learn common sayings and phrases, such as "easier said than done" Word Work: <i>civilians</i> Sayings and Phrases: <i>Easier Said Than Done</i>	
Lesson 7: Robert E. Lee	Interpret information from the "Somebody Wanted But So Then" chart to describe Robert E. Lee and his role in the U.S. Civil War Identify and express physical sensations, mental states, and emotions of themselves, Robert E. Lee and the men who	Prior to listening to "Robert E. Lee," identify orally what they know and have learned about the first battle of the U.S. Civil War	Word Work: advisors	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Robert E. Lee" Share writing with others
	served under him in the Confederacy, and others affected by the U.S. Civil War			
Lesson 8: Clara Barton	Interpret information from the Timeline to understand when the American Red Cross was established relative to the U.S. Civil War	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word who to clarify information in "Clara Barton"	Word Work: wounded	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Clara Barton" Share writing with others
	Identify and express physical sensations, mental states, and emotions of themselves,	Prior to listening to "Clara Barton," orally predict how the "Angel of the Battlefield" was		



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	Clara Barton, and the wounded she treated	helpful during the U.S. Civil War, and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction Prior to listening to "Clara Barton," orally identify what they know and have learned about General Robert E. Lee		
Lesson 9: The Emancipation Proclamation	Interpret information from the Timeline to understand when the Emancipation Proclamation was written relative to when the American Red Cross was established Identify and express physical sensations, mental states, and emotions of themselves, Harriet Tubman, and a Union soldier	Prior to listening to "The Emancipation Proclamation," identify orally what they know and have learned about Clara Barton and Abraham Lincoln	Word Work: abolished	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The Emancipation Proclamation" Share writing with others
Lesson 10: Ulysses S. Grant	Interpret information from the Venn diagram used to compare and contrast Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee to clarify information from the read-aloud "Ulysses S. Grant" Compare and contrast similarities and differences between Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee	Interpret information presented, and then ask a question beginning with the word who to clarify information in "Ulysses S. Grant" Prior to listening to "Ulysses S. Grant," orally identify what they know and have learned about Robert E. Lee	Provide antonyms of core vocabulary words, such as <i>defeat</i> Determine the meaning of multiple-meaning words and phrases, such as post Word Work: <i>defeat</i> Multiple Meaning Word Activity: <i>post</i>	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "Ulysses S. Grant" Share writing with others
Lesson 11: The End of the War	Interpret information using a Brainstorming Links graphic organizer to remember facts about the U.S. Civil War prior to the read-aloud "The End of the War" Interpret information from a map and map key to understand which states saw the most U.S. Civil War battles,	Prior to listening to "The End of the War," orally predict how the U.S. Civil War ends, and what happens afterward, and then compare the actual outcome to the prediction Prior to listening to "The End of the War," orally identify what they know and have learned about	Provide antonyms of core vocabulary words, such as <i>united</i> Word Work: <i>united</i>	Write simple sentences to represent details or information from "The End of the War" Share writing with others



		Vocabulary	Writing
and where the U.S. Civil t War ended with Lee's surrender	he U.S. Civil War		
Interpret information from the Timeline to understand when the U.S. Civil War ended relative to the Emancipation Proclamation and the establishment of the American Red Cross			
Identify and express physical sensations, mental states, and emotions of freed slaves and Abraham Lincoln at the end of the U.S. Civil War			
Domain Review			
Domain Assessment			
Culminating Activities			



The Human Body

9 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (13 Days)

This domain covers a number of topics regarding the human body. This domain first covers concepts regarding cells and how cells form the building blocks of life on Earth. Students are then taught how collections of cells form tissues, and tissues form organs, and finally how organs work within the various body systems. In addition, students are taught about Anton van Leeuwenhoek and his work with the microscope and his discovery of the tiny one-celled bacteria. Students will then hear about the digestive and excretory systems. They will learn the fundamental parts and functions of these two body systems. The narrator of these readalouds is a nutritionist named Nick Nutri, who reinforces basic facts that students will be learning. The remainder of this domain focuses on the importance of good nutrition and how to make good choices in order to eat a well-balanced diet. Students will be taught five keys to good health—eat well, exercise, sleep, keep clean, and have regular checkups.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and discussions Listen to and demonstrate understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of appropriate complexity for grades 2–4	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy) Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy, that makes me happy)	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
Lesson 1: The Amazing Human Body	Describe the connection between parts of the body and the five senses, as well as the parts of the body and the five major bodily systems in "The Amazing Human Body" Interpret information from a chart of the human body to identify various body parts and organs in "The Amazing Human Body" Compare and contrast the human body with a machine in "The Amazing Human Body"	Recount a personal experience involving the saying "keep your fingers crossed" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences	Explain the meaning of the saying "Keep your fingers crossed" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: systems Sayings and Phrases: Keep Your Fingers Crossed	Make personal connections by identifying parts of their own bodies discussed in the read-aloud
Lesson 2: Anton van Leeuwenhoek	Describe the connection between the discovery of bacteria and Anton van Leeuwenhoek's use and improvement of the microscope in "Anton van Leeuwenhoek"		Word Work: observations	Make personal connections in documenting observations made examining things with a magnifying glass
Lesson 3: Cells and Tissues	Describe the connection between cells and tissues in "Cells and Tissues"		Determine the meaning of the multiple-meaning word tissue in "Cells and Tissues" Identify a new meaning for the word tissue and apply it accurately Word Work: functions Multiple Meaning Word Activity: tissue	With assistance, categorize and organize facts about cells and tissues to complete an activity that demonstrates the relationship between cells and tissues
Lesson 4: Organs	Describe the connection among cells, tissues, and organs in "Organs" Interpret information from a model of a cross-section of the stomach to demonstrate the relationship among cells, tissues, and organs in "Organs"		Word Work: nourish	With assistance, categorize and organize facts about cells, tissues, and organs to construct a paper model of the tissues that comprise the stomach



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 5: The Digestive System	Describe the series of steps in the digestive process presented in "The Digestive System"		Determine the meaning of the new word indigestion formed when the prefix <i>in</i> — is	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information within "The Digestive
	Interpret information from diagrams of the human body to understand the digestive process		added to <i>digestion</i> Word Work: <i>absorb</i>	System" to determine the sequence of events in the digestive process
	Sequence five images illustrating the individual steps in the digestive process			
Lesson 6: The Excretory System	Describe the connection between a series of steps in the excretory process in "The Excretory System" Interpret information from diagrams of the human body to understand the excretory process Compare and contrast the digestive system and the excretory	Prior to listening to a read-aloud, identify orally what students know and have learned about the digestive system	Word Work: <i>toxic</i>	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information from "The Excretory System" to make a diagram of the excretory system
_	system			
Lesson 7: Nutrients	Describe the connection between nutrients and good health as described in "Nutrients"	Add drawings about various foods to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings about proper nutrition	Word Work: essential	Make personal connections in understanding the specific nutrients consumed at breakfast
	Interpret information from a food groups chart to explain the nutrients that can be obtained from eating from certain food groups			With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information about nutrients to answer questions
Lesson 8: A Well- Balanced Diet	Interpret information using a chart made of a paper plate to which photos of various types	Prior to listening to a read-aloud, orally identify what students know and have learned	Determine the meaning of the multiple meaning word <i>skip</i> in "A Well-Balanced Diet"	With assistance, categorize and organize facts and information about nutrition in order
	of food have been affixed in order to describe the nutrients in	about nutrients	Word Work: <i>variety</i> Multiple Meaning Word: <i>skip</i>	to make good food choices



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	certain foods			
Lesson 9: A Healthy Human Body	Describe facts that support ways to live a healthy life	Recount a personal experience involving the saying "get up on the wrong side of the bed" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences Prior to listening to a read-aloud, orally identify what students know and have learned about the various body systems and how they keep us healthy	Learn the meaning of common sayings and phrases such as to "Get up on the wrong side of the bed" Word Work: recovery Sayings and Phrases: Get Up on the Wrong Side of the Bed	Make personal connections in writing about how to begin the day, how to promote health, and how to end the day
	Domain Review			
	Domain Assessment			
	Culminating Activities			



Immigration

10 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (14 Days)

This domain will introduce students to the concept of immigration in the United States, an especially important topic because the United States is often referred to as a country of immigrants. Students will learn about the biggest wave of immigration to the United States, which occurred between 1880 and 1920. They will discover why people immigrated, what factors pushed them from their homelands and pulled them to the United States, and why many immigrants settled in particular cities or regions upon their arrival. These basic facts about immigration will help students further their awareness of U.S. history. Learning about immigration in the United States is also an opportunity for students to find out more about their family history and what brought them and/or their ancestors to the United States.

	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Describe the connection between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Retell (orally or in writing) important facts and information from a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy) Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy, that makes me happy)	



	Text Analysis for Close Reading / Comprehension	Speaking & Listening	Language & Vocabulary	Writing
	discussions Listen to and demonstrate understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of appropriate complexity for grades 2–4			
Lesson 1: E Pluribus Unum	Identify push and pull factors that support the author's points about why people immigrate Identify how they would feel if they had to emigrate from their home country	Ask a question to clarify the directions for an extension activity Add a drawing to the puzzle piece to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings related to "E Pluribus Unum" Share their puzzle piece drawing and sentence with others	Use word parts to determine the meaning of the unknown Latin phrase e pluribus unum Word Work: immigrants	Make personal connections to familiar foods brought to the United States by immigrants from other countries Make personal connections to the experiences described in "E Pluribus Unum" of people leaving their home country and moving to another country
Lesson 2: A Little Giant Comes to America	Identify push factors that support the author's points about why Charles Steinmetz left Germany	Summarize how push and pull factors caused people in other countries to immigrate to the United States Add a drawing to the puzzle piece to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings related to "A Little Giant Comes to America" Prior to listening to "A Little Giant Comes to America," identify, orally, what they know and have learned about e pluribus unum, the term immigrant, and push and pull factors Share their puzzle piece drawing and sentence with others	Explain the meaning of "Don't judge a book by its cover" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: opportunity Sayings and Phrases: Don't Judge a Book by Its Cover	Make personal connections to the contributions that Charles Steinmetz made to the United States and our lives today



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Lesson 3: Life in the City	Describe how Marie responds to the changes in her life brought on by her family's immigration Use information gained from the illustrations and words in "Life in the City" to demonstrate understanding of Marie and her new life as an immigrant in the city Identify reasons given in the text that support the author's point that many immigrants chose to live in big cities Compare and contrast Marie's old life in Italy with her new life in America Identify how they would feel about living in a big city as a new immigrant to the United States	Add a drawing to the puzzle piece to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings related to "Life in the City" Prior to listening to "Life in the City," identify orally what they know and have learned about Charles Steinmetz's immigration to the United States Share their puzzle piece drawing and sentence with others	Identify meanings for the word coast and apply them accurately Word Work: traditional Multiple Meaning Word Activity: coast	Make real-life connections between the word traditional and its use in "Life in the City" and traditional foods, clothing, and customs found in their homes and communities
Lesson 4: From Ireland to New York City	Use information gained from illustrations and words in "From Ireland to New York City" to demonstrate understanding of Aunt Cathleen's belief that the United States is a "land of opportunity" Identify how they would feel if, like Uncle Brendan, old friends and neighbors from their home country unexpectedly appeared	Ask and answer a who question to deepen understanding of what they heard in "From Ireland to New York City" Add a drawing to a puzzle piece to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings related to "Life in the City" Prior to listening to "From Ireland to New York City," identify orally what they know and have learned about immigrants and the immigration processing centers Share their puzzle piece drawing and sentence	Determine the meaning of the word emigrate from knowledge of the words immigrate and immigrant Word Work: afford	



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Lesson 5: Gold Mountain	Use information gained from the illustrations and words in "Gold Mountain" to demonstrate understanding of Lin Wen's and his father's decisions and views Identify reasons given in the text that support the author's point that some European Americans were hostile to Chinese immigrants Compare and contrast the new lives of Chinese immigrants like Lin Wen as described in "Gold Mountain" and Irish immigrants like Fiona and Sean as described in "From Ireland to New York City" Identify how they would feel if, similar to the way Lin Wen and other Chinese immigrants were treated, people in their new country were hostile to them	Recount a personal experience involving the saying "turn over a new leaf" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences Add a drawing to the puzzle piece to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings related to "Gold Mountain" Prior to listening to "Gold Mountain," identify orally what they know and have learned about Irish immigration, the U.S. immigration processing centers, and related geography Share their puzzle piece drawing and sentence with others	Distinguish between and categorize examples of situations that illustrate the word exhausting and those that illustrate its antonym refreshing Explain the meaning of "Turn over a new leaf" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: exhausting Sayings and Phrases: Turn Over a New Leaf	
Lesson 6: A Land of Opportunity	Use information gained from the illustrations and words in "A Land of Opportunity" to demonstrate understanding of Lars's and Karin's feelings about owning their own land Compare and contrast the new lives of immigrants to the Midwest like the Anderssons as described in "A Land of Opportunity" and Chinese immigrants like Lin Wen and his father	Recount a personal experience related to the word support and its use in "A Land of Opportunity" Add a drawing to illustrate the word support to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Add a drawing to the puzzle piece to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings related to "A Land of Opportunity" Prior to listening to "A Land of Opportunity," orally predict how living in the countryside as an	Identify new meanings for the word land and apply them accurately Word Work: support Multiple Meaning Word Activity: land	



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	as described in "Gold Mountain" Identify how they would feel about living in a big city or in the countryside as a new immigrant to the United States	immigrant might be different from living in the city, and then compare to descriptions heard in the read-aloud Share their puzzle piece drawing and sentence with others		j
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 7: A Mosaic of Immigrants	Interpret information from map images about early immigration to America and modern immigration to the United States Identify how they would feel as a newcomer to the United States who might consider moving to an ethnic neighborhood	Through discussion and an acting activity, summarize information learned about immigrant settlers as heard in read-alouds throughout the <i>Immigration</i> domain Prior to listening to "A Mosaic of Immigrants," orally identify what they know and have learned about immigration	Word Work: settlers	As a class, plan and draft a narrative letter written by a new immigrant to family members in their homeland and that tells them what life is like in the United States With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on writing a letter and strengthen it as needed by revising and editing Participate in shared brainstorming of ideas about immigration after listening to several read-alouds and produce a letter as a class Make personal connections to newcomers to the United States who choose to live in ethnic neighborhoods with others from their home
Lesson 8: Becoming a Citizen	Use information gained from the illustrations and words in "Becoming a Citizen" to demonstrate understanding that President Ford might think e pluribus unum is a good motto for the	Prior to listening to "Becoming a Citizen," orally identify what they know and have learned about immigration	Word Work: naturalized citizen	countries Draft a narrative letter written by a new immigrant to family members in their homeland that tells them what life is like in the United States With guidance and support from adults



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	United States Identify reasons that support the author's points about immigrants' desires to become naturalized citizens of the United States			and peers, focus on writing a letter and strengthen it as needed by revising and editing With assistance, categorize particular examples as situations in which a person is or is not a naturalized citizen Share writing with others
Lesson 9: We the People	Compare and contrast similarities and differences between the rights citizens are given by the U.S. Constitution and the lack of those rights that some people experienced in their homelands as heard in read-alouds in this domain	Ask and answer a what question to deepen understanding of what they heard in "We the People"	Use known words to determine meanings of unknown words formed when the prefix dis— is added to a known word, such as agreements/disagreements Word Work: disagreements	Participate in shared brainstorming of ideas as they write and amend a "Classroom Constitution" after listening to "We the People" Make personal connections to the U.S. Constitution and the writing of a Classroom Constitution
				Make personal connections to the process of creating amendments and the process called "consent of the governed" as they amend and vote on the Classroom Constitution
Lesson 10: Immigration and Citizenship	Identify reasons and facts that support the author's points about the responsibilities of becoming a naturalized citizen of the United States	Identify how they feel when they hear "The Star-Spangled Banner" and how they might feel hearing this song if they were an immigrant to the United States	Identify meanings of the word <i>run</i> Word Work: <i>guaranteed</i>	Make personal connections to responsibilities that they may have at home Make personal connections to a time they may have gone with a family member
				or adult friend who went to vote Make personal connections to what life would be like in the



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			United States if the U.S. Constitution did not guarantee freedom of religion and freedom of speech
Domain Review			
Domain Assessment			
Culminating Activities			



Fighting for a Cause

9 Lessons, 1 Pausing Point, Domain Review, Domain Assessment, and Culminating Activities (13 Days)

This domain will introduce students to several ordinary people who stood up for what they believed in and who fought for a cause, even when faced with immeasurable odds. Students will learn how members of very powerful groups have often excluded members of other groups from exercising certain rights. They will learn about some key historical figures who fought for various causes such as the abolition of slavery, the right for women to vote, and the welfare of migrant workers. Each of these individuals struggled for a cause, their struggles later helped change many laws, and they all practiced nonviolence. These historical figures also had an impact on the ability of others in our nation to exercise their individual rights. Students will understand the connection between ideas and actions, and how ordinary people can do extraordinary things, changing people's awareness throughout an entire country. Students will also learn the terms civil rights and human rights, and what these terms mean.

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These objectives are consistently addressed throughout the domain	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details and/or facts of a nonfiction/informational read-aloud Answer questions that require making interpretations, judgments, or giving opinions about what is heard in a nonfiction/informational read-aloud, including answering why questions that require recognizing cause/effect relationships Determine the meaning of unknown words and phrases in nonfiction/informational read-alouds and discussions Listen to and demonstrate understanding of nonfiction/informational read-alouds of	Use agreed-upon rules for group discussions (e.g., look at and listen to the speaker, raise hand to speak, take turns, say "excuse me" or "please," etc.) Carry on and participate in a conversation over at least six turns, staying on topic, linking their comments to the remarks of others, with either an adult or another child of the same age Ask questions to clarify information about the topic in a fiction or nonfiction/informational read-aloud Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation in order to provide requested detail or clarification	Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., describe foods that are spicy or juicy) Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy, that makes me happy)	



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Lesson 1: People Who Fought for a Cause	Describe how words and phrases supply meaning in poems, including free verse poems Describe the connection between the exclusion of certain groups from their civil rights and the creation of a civil rights movement	Ask and answer why questions orally, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details or facts from "People Who Fought for a Cause" Recount a personal experience applicable to the saying "don't cry over spilled milk" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences	Explain the meaning of "Don't cry over spilled milk" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: courage Sayings and Phrases: Don't Cry Over Spilled Milk	
Lesson 2: Susan B. Anthony: An Advocate for Women's Rights	Describe how words and phrases supply meaning in a free verse poem about Susan B. Anthony Interpret information from a timeline associated with "Susan B. Anthony: An Advocate for Women's Rights," and explain how the timeline clarifies information in the readaloud	Prior to listening to "Susan B. Anthony: An Advocate for Women's Rights," orally identify what they know and have learned about civil rights, discrimination, and Susan B. Anthony	Word Work: ballots	Plan, draft, and edit a free verse poem in which they provide their opinion about Susan B. Anthony's achievements With assistance, organize facts and information from "Susan B. Anthony: An Advocate for Women's Rights" into a timeline to answer questions
Lesson 3: Eleanor Roosevelt: A Voice for Human Rights	Describe how words and phrases supply meaning in a free verse poem about Eleanor Roosevelt Interpret information from a timeline associated with "Eleanor Roosevelt: A Voice for Human Rights," and explain how the timeline clarifies information in the read-aloud Identify and express why Eleanor thought that helping to write the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was her	Recount a personal experience applicable to the saying "two heads are better than one" with appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details, speaking audibly in coherent sentences Add drawings to descriptions of something that is admirable to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Eleanor Roosevelt: A Voice for Human Rights," orally identify	Explain the meaning of "Two heads are better than one" and use in appropriate contexts Word Work: admirable Sayings and Phrases: Two Heads Are Better Than One	Plan, draft, and edit a free verse poem in which they provide their opinion about Eleanor Roosevelt's achievements With assistance, organize facts and information from "Eleanor Roosevelt: A Voice for Human Rights" into a timeline to answer questions Share writing with others



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	greatest achievement	what they know and have learned about civil rights, discrimination, and Susan B. Anthony		
Lesson 4: Mary McLeod Bethune: A Dedicated Teacher	Describe how words and phrases supply meaning in a free verse poem about Mary McLeod Bethune Describe the connection between the exclusion of African American men from the right to vote and Mary's efforts to teach them to read and write Interpret information from a timeline associated with "Mary McLeod Bethune: A Dedicated Teacher," and explain how the timeline clarifies information in the readaloud Identify and express how Mary McLeod Bethune must have felt when people tried to intimidate her into ending her efforts to educate African American girls	Retell important facts and information from "Mary McLeod Bethune: A Dedicated Teacher" Ask and answer what questions orally, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details or facts from "Mary McLeod Bethune: A Dedicated Teacher" Add drawings to descriptions of something that makes them feel proud Prior to listening to "Mary McLeod Bethune: A Dedicated Teacher," orally identify what they know and have learned about civil rights, discrimination, and people who fought for civil rights and human rights	Identify new meanings for the word pool and apply them accurately Word Work: proud Multiple Meaning Word Activity: pool	Plan, draft, and edit a free verse poem in which they provide their opinion about Mary McLeod Bethune's achievements Make a personal connection to how it must have felt when people tried to intimidate Mary and her students to scare them away With assistance, organize facts and information from "Mary McLeod Bethune: A Dedicated Teacher" into a timeline to answer questions
Lesson 5: Jackie Robinson: Champion of Equality	Describe how words and phrases supply meaning in a free verse poem about Jackie Robinson Interpret information from a timeline associated with "Jackie Robinson: Champion of Equality" and explain how the timeline clarifies information in the readaloud Identify and express how Jackie Robinson must have felt the day	Retell important facts and information from "Jackie Robinson: Champion of Equality" by acting out a scene from the read-aloud Ask and answer who questions orally, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details or facts from "Jackie Robinson: Champion of Equality" Add drawings to descriptions of a scene from a read-aloud about	Distinguish shades of meaning among closely related verbs such as challenge, question, and doubt, and among the verbs accept, believe, and trust Word Work: challenge	Plan, draft, and edit a free verse poem in which they provide their opinion about Jackie Robinson's achievements With assistance, organize facts and information from "Jackie Robinson: Champion of Equality" into a timeline to answer questions



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	he finally played for the Brooklyn Dodgers	an individual who fought for a cause to clarify ideas, thoughts, and feelings Prior to listening to "Jackie Robinson: Champion of Equality," orally identify what they know and have learned about civil rights, discrimination, and people who fought for civil rights and human rights		
	Pausing Point			
Lesson 6: Rosa Parks: The Mother of the Civil Rights Movement	Describe how words and phrases supply meaning in a free verse poem about Rosa Parks Describe the connection between Rosa Parks' actions on the bus and the start of the civil rights movement Interpret information from a timeline associated with "Rosa Parks: The Mother of the Civil Rights Movement" and explain how the timeline clarifies information in the readaloud Contrast life in the United States before the civil rights movement and after Identify and express why Rosa Parks refused to move to a different seat on the bus when asked to do so	Prior to listening to "Rosa Parks: The Mother of the Civil Rights Movement," orally identify what they know and have learned about civil rights, discrimination, and people who fought for civil rights and human rights	Identify new meanings for the word chapter and apply them accurately Word Work: boycott Multiple Meaning Word Activity: chapter	Plan, draft, and edit a free verse poem in which they provide their opinion about Rosa Parks' achievements With assistance, organize facts and information from "Rosa Parks: The Mother of the Civil Rights Movement" into a timeline to answer questions
Lesson 7: Martin Luther King Jr.: Defender of	Describe how words and phrases supply meaning in a free verse poem about Martin Luther King Jr.	Prior to listening to "Martin Luther King Jr.: Defender of the Dream," orally identify what they know and have learned about civil rights,	Use knowledge of the words extra and ordinary to predict the meaning of extraordinary	Plan, draft, and edit a free verse poem in which they provide their opinion about Martin Luther King Jr.'s



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the Dream	Identify the main topic of the read-aloud "Martin Luther King Jr.: Defender of the Dream" Describe the connection among Martin Luther King Jr., Rosa Parks, and the Montgomery Bus Boycott Interpret information from a timeline associated with "Martin Luther King Jr.: Defender of the Dream," and explain how the timeline clarifies information in the read-aloud Identify and express how African Americans might have felt when segregation was declared illegal	discrimination, and people who fought for civil rights and human rights	Word Work: extraordinary	achievements With assistance, organize facts and information from "Martin Luther King Jr.: Defender of the Dream" into a timeline to answer questions
Lesson 8: Cesar Chavez: Protector of Workers' Rights	Describe how words and phrases supply meaning in a free verse poem about Cesar Chavez Interpret information from a timeline associated with "Cesar Chavez: Protector of Workers' Rights," and explain how the timeline clarifies information in the read-aloud Identify and express why the activists thought the right to vote was so important	Prior to listening to "Cesar Chavez: Protector of Workers' Rights," orally identify what they know and have learned about civil rights, discrimination, and people who fought for civil rights and human rights	Word Work: plight	Plan, draft, and edit a free verse poem in which they provide their opinion about Cesar Chavez's achievements With assistance, organize facts and information from "Cesar Chavez: Protector of Workers' Rights" into a timeline to answer questions
Lesson 9: Celebrating Those Who Fought for a Cause	Identify the main purpose of "Celebrating Those Who Fought for a Cause," including what the author wants to explain Describe the reasons the author of "Celebrating Those Who	Prior to listening to "Celebrating Those Who Fought for a Cause," orally identify what they know and have learned about civil rights, discrimination, and people who fought for civil rights and human	Word Work: obstacles	With guidance and support from adults and peers, focus on their free verse poems and strengthen writing as needed by revising and editing With guidance and support from adults, use



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Fought for a Cause" gives to support certain statements in the read-aloud	rights		a variety of digital tools to produce and publish their free verse poems
Domain Review			
Domain Assessment			
Culminating Activities			