# Lesson Plan Overview

## Unit 1: Creatures

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| Welcome to Reading 5 (1) Introduction | 2–3 | xiv | 1–2 | • Relate the title of the book to its contents  
• Identify and locate the key features of this book  
• Identify the three major themes that guide a Christian’s study and evaluation of texts (truth, goodness, and beauty) **BWS**  
• Demonstrate current reading skills |
| Where the Red Fern Grows (2–4)  
Realistic fiction  
an excerpt from the book by Wilson Rawls | 4–13 | 2–10 | 3–4 | • Identify the setting  
• Explain how figurative language enhances the regional element of the story  
• Identify the main character’s good traits and motives  
• Evaluate the main character’s response to the sinful behavior of others **BWS** |
|  | 14–22 | 11–16 | 5–6 | • Explain how descriptive details enhance the mood in a story  
• Identify the main character’s good traits and motives  
• Explain how good characters in a story can reflect the character of God **BWS** |
|  | 23–29 | 17–23 | 7–8 | • Identify the main character’s good traits and motives  
• Identify the main character’s irresponsible behavior  
• Evaluate the character’s response to his own irresponsible behavior **BWS**  
• Evaluate the character’s response to God’s answer to prayer **BWS**  
• Defend the goodness of God when His answers to our prayers differ from our desires **BWS** |
| Look Again: Where the Red Fern Grows (5) | 30–31 | 2–23 | 9–10 | • Conduct research on the life of Wilson Rawls  
• Compare events in the life of Rawls with the setting and characters in *Where the Red Fern Grows*  
• Write a story idea based on something in your own life |
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| “The Elephant” (6)      | 32–33                 | 24–25                 | 11–12            | • Identify vivid words and phrases used to describe each creature  
                             • Define tone as part of the author’s craft  
                             • Infer the author’s tone toward each creature based on his descriptions  
                             • Compare and contrast the tone of each poem  
                             • Explain characteristics of the Creator from observing His creatures BWS |
| “The Vulture”           |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| “The Scorpion”          |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| Poetry                  |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| by Hilaire Belloc       |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| “Chinchilla!” (7)       | 34–43                 | 26–35                 | 13–14            | • Identify the point of view from which a selection is written  
                             • Infer Violet’s character traits from her words and actions  
                             • Trace the author’s use of humor throughout the story  
                             • Infer the author’s purpose (to entertain) and theme  
                             • Create a humorous story about an animal or pet |
| Realistic fiction       |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| by Elizabeth Turner     |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| Listening to Crickets (8–9) | 44–52             | 36–43                 | 15–16            | • Identify key elements of worldview BWS  
                             • Identify words and phrases that show Rachel’s attitude toward nature  
                             • Identify character traits of Rachel Carson  
                             • Explain how Rachel’s childhood led her to become a scientist and a writer |
| Biography               |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| an excerpt from the book by Candice F. Ransom |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| Look Again: Listening to Crickets (10) | 62–63 | 36–51 | 19–20 | • Recall Rachel Carson’s view of nature based on her story  
                             • Distinguish between God’s creation of animals and His creation of man based on Genesis 1:25–31 and Genesis 2:7 BWS  
                             • Formulate a correct view of stewardship of nature based on Genesis 2:15–17 and Proverbs 12:10 BWS  
                             • Evaluate Rachel Carson’s view of nature based on biblical teaching BWS |
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| “Monkey and Crocodiles” (11) Reader’s theater by Anthony D. Fredericks | 64–70                 | 52–57                 | 21–22            | • Recall key elements of reader’s theater  
• Identify key elements of a trickster tale  
• Identify the problem and solution  
• Infer the values reflected in the folktale  
• Evaluate the values reflected in the folktale **BWS** |
| “Grandmother Spider Steals the Sun” (12) Reader’s theater by Anthony D. Fredericks | 71–77                 | 58–63                 | 23–24            | • Explain how this folktale is a trickster tale  
• Identify the problem and solution  
• Identify the values shown in this folktale  
• Explain how these values reflect a fallen view of goodness **BWS**  
• Compare “Grandmother Spider Steals the Sun” with “Monkey and Crocodiles” |
| Reader’s Theater Performance (13)            | 78–79                 | 53–62                 |                  | • Perform reader’s theater as a class and in small groups  
• Create a recording (audio or visual) of the reader’s theater performance  
• Evaluate fluency and expression in oral reading |
• Choose a book on the student’s independent level  
• Participate in recreational reading  
• Demonstrate mastery of reading skills |
| “A Dog Named Sergeant Stubby” (15) Informational text by Eileen M. Berry | 82–89                 | 64–71                 | 25–26            | • Recall key elements of informational text  
• Distinguish between text features and graphic features  
• Explain how the section title relates to the main idea of each section  
• Identify ways Stubby and other dogs help humans |
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| Look Again: “A Dog Named Sergeant Stubby” (16)              | 90–91                 | 64–71                 | 27–28            | • Conduct online research to find more information on the history of military dogs  
• Summarize results of online research using a graphic organizer  
• Recall God’s mandate concerning animals in Genesis 1:26–28  
• Explain how both military and non-military dogs fulfill God’s design for animals to benefit humans |
| “The Story of How a Girl Brought Joy to the Heart of the King” (17) | 92–97                 | 72–77                 | 29–30            | • Identify cultural elements within the folktale’s setting  
• Identify character traits  
• Infer character motives  
• Identify the problem and solution in the story  
• Evaluate the story’s outcome based on Luke 6:38 |
| “The Eagle” (18)                                            | 98–99                 | 78–79                 | 31–32            | • Explain how alliteration and rhyme add beauty to the sound of the poem  
• Identify imagery, simile, and metaphor that give the poem visual appeal  
• Identify personification in the poem  
• Create a descriptive paragraph that responds to something beautiful in nature |
| “Balaam’s Prophecies” (19)                                  | 100–109               | 80–89                 | 33–34            | • Identify Balaam’s negative traits  
• Contrast Balaam’s traits with God’s traits  
• Identify cause-effect relationships in the Bible account  
• Explain how the ending reveals God’s trustworthiness despite Balak and Balaam’s evil plans |
| Look Again: Story Outcomes (20)                              | 110–11                | 76, 88                | 35–36            | • Identify cause and effect in the outcome of “The Story of How a Girl Brought Joy to the Heart of the King”  
• Compare and contrast outcomes of behavior for the girl and Balaam  
• Write a prayer asking God’s help to change or improve a personal behavior pattern |
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| "The Beginning of the Armadillos" (21–22) Fantasy by Rudyard Kipling | 112–17 | 90–94 | 37–38 | • Identify invented words  
• Infer the meanings of invented words based on context clues  
• Explain how repetition enhances the story  
• Identify elements of a trickster tale in this story |
| 118–25 | 95–101 | 39–40 | • Identify invented words  
• Infer meanings of invented words based on context clues  
• Analyze how repetition highlights different characters or elements  
• Identify elements of an origin story in this tale |
| "Nanabozho Makes the Earth" (23) Myth an Ojibwa myth retold by Jennifer Olachea | 126–30 | 102–6 | 41–42 | • Identify characteristics of the creator in this myth  
• Identify the two biblical accounts this story borrows from  
• Analyze the myth for elements of biblical truth that have been changed **BWS** |
| Look Again: Flood Legends (24) | 131 | | 43–44 | • Recall biblical flood account  
• Research flood legends from various cultures  
• Compare and contrast the flood legends of various cultures with the biblical account **BWS** |
| SSR Journal: Setting (25) Comprehension Assessment 2 | 132–33 | | | • Enjoy and respond to recreational reading  
• Choose a book on the student’s independent reading level  
• Respond to reading by providing information about setting  
• Demonstrate mastery of reading skills |
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<td>• Identify key elements of science fiction&lt;br&gt;• Identify the setting&lt;br&gt;• Identify sensory details that make the setting seem real&lt;br&gt;• Contrast David’s and Chuck’s responses to the setting&lt;br&gt;• Sequence events in the first part of the story</td>
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| *The Man Who Went to the Far Side of the Moon* (31–32)  
Biography  
an excerpt from the book by Bea Uusma Schyffert | 160–67 | 128–34 | 55–56 | • Recall elements of a biography  
• Explain why traveling to and landing on the moon were important events  
• Identify challenges faced by the astronauts  
• Infer general character traits of Michael Collins, Buzz Aldrin, and Neil Armstrong |
| 168–75 | 134–41 | 57–58 | • Identify challenges faced by the astronauts  
• Identify general character traits of Michael Collins, Buzz Aldrin, and Neil Armstrong  
• Infer God’s role in aiding human endeavor based on the 1 Chronicles 29:11–12 description of God *BWS*  
• Evaluate the text concerning God’s role in the success of the moon landing *BWS*  
•Evaluate personal response to a success in light of 1 Chronicles 29:11–12 *BWS* |
| *“The Wind and the Sun”* (33)  
Fable  
Aesop’s fable retold by Munro Leaf  
“Feathers”  
Folktale  
Hasidic folktale from Eastern Europe | 176–79 | 142–45 | 59–60 | • Compare and contrast the genres of fable and folktale  
• Compare the moral of the fable with the theme of the folktale  
• Identify details in each story that make the message memorable  
• Evaluate the message of each story from a biblical worldview *BWS*  
• Apply each story’s message to real-life situations *BWS* |
| *Look Again: “The Wind and the Sun” & “Feathers”* (34) | 180–81 | 142–45 | 61–62 | • Apply the message of the fable or folktale to real-life situations *BWS*  
• Plan the characters, plot, and message of a story  
• Create a story with a message about the proper way to treat other people *BWS* |
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| “Horace King: Prince of Bridge Builders” (35)               | 182–91                | 146–55                | 63–64            | • Identify obstacles King had to overcome to find success  
• Identify character traits that helped King find success as a bridge builder BWS  
• Relate key events of King’s life to historical events  
• Explain how text features and graphic features add interest and order to a biography  
• Create a timeline that relates events in your life to current events |
| Biography by Stephanie R. Suhr                             |                       |                       |                  |                                                                                                            |
| “The Bridge” (36)                                          | 192–93                | 156–57                | 65–66            | • Identify the use of simile and metaphor in each poem  
• Infer the theme of each poem  
• Identify the difference in form between the two poems (rhymed vs. free verse)  
• Compare and contrast the two poems in relation to theme and purpose  
• Create a short poem that describes an object using simile or metaphor |
| Poetry by Charlotte Zolotow                                 |                       |                       |                  |                                                                                                            |
| “The Bridge”                                               |                       |                       |                  |                                                                                                            |
| Poetry by Kaissar Afif                                     |                       |                       |                  |                                                                                                            |
| “From Vanity Fair to Doubting Castle” (37–39)              | 194–201               | 158–64                | 67–68            | • Identify allegorical elements and what they represent  
• Identify allusions to biblical accounts  
• Identify author’s use of irony  
• Evaluate the appropriateness of the allegorical comparisons  
• Apply the biblical principle illustrated by Christian and Faithful’s behavior to one’s personal life BWS |
| Allegory from The Pilgrim’s Progress by John Bunyan, adapted by Karen Duncan |                       |                       |                  |                                                                                                            |
| “From Vanity Fair to Doubting Castle”                      | 202–9                 | 165–70                | 69–70            | • Identify allegorical elements and what they represent  
• Identify allusions to biblical content  
• Analyze the causes and effects of Faithful’s death  
• Analyze the consequences of Christian’s decision to enter By-path Meadow BWS  
• Evaluate appropriateness of the allegorical comparisons |
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|                         | 210–17                | 171–77                | 71–72            | • Identify allegorical elements and what they represent  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Explain how Christian and Hopeful’s relationship changes  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Identify biblical promises that rescue people from despair  
                          |                       |                       |                               | **BWS**  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Identify areas of need in heeding God’s warnings or trusting God’s promises **BWS** |
| Look Again: “From Vanity Fair to Doubting Castle” (40) | 218                | 158–77                | 73–74            | • Identify the point of view of “From Vanity Fair to Doubting Castle”  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Rewrite a scene from a different point of view  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Analyze how changing the point of view changes the story |
Comprehension Assessment 3 | 219                |                       |                 | • Enjoy recreational reading  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Complete a peer read of the book jacket rough draft  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Revise the rough draft based on peer feedback and rubric guidelines |
| “The New Colossus” (42)  
Poetry by Emma Lazarus | 220–21                | 178–79                | 75–76            | • Identify elements of a sonnet  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Identify literary devices in the poem (allusion, personification, symbol)  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Infer the meaning of the symbol  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Infer American values represented in the poem  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Explain how the poem has become an important representation of American values **BWS** |
| *Ellis Island: New Hope in a New Land* (43–44)  
Informational text an excerpt from the book by William Jay Jacobs | 222–28                | 180–85                | 77–78            | • Recall how to use a K-W-L chart  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Identify historical context of the time period described in the excerpt  
                          |                       |                       |                               | • Identify reasons why immigrants came to America  
<pre><code>                      |                       |                       |                               | • Identify hardships experienced by immigrants on their voyage to America |
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|                         | 229–35                | 186–91                | 79–80            | • Sequence the process immigrants faced once they arrived at Ellis Island  
• Identify chronological details about the history of Ellis Island  
• Identify information learned by reading this selection (K-W-L chart)  
• Identify the source of hope for many immigrants  
• Compare this source of hope to the source of hope given in Jeremiah 17:7 **BWS** |
| I Was Dreaming to Come to America (45–46)  
Oral history selected by Veronica Lawlor | 236–43                | 192–98                | 81–82            | • Identify elements of oral history  
• Identify different cultures and occupations represented in the collection of memories  
• Identify why these immigrants came to America  
• Infer feelings and attitudes shown in the immigrants’ accounts  
• Distinguish between fact and opinion in the immigrants’ memories |
| Look Again: I Was Dreaming to Come to America (47) | 244–51                | 199–205               | 83–84            | • Identify different cultures and occupations represented in the collection of memories  
• Distinguish between fact and opinion in the immigrants’ memories  
• Identify why these immigrants came to America  
• Infer feelings and attitudes shown in the immigrants’ stories |
| Book Report: Book Tasting Day (48) | 254–55                | 192–205               | 85–86            | • Create a list of questions for an immigrant, a missionary, or someone who has lived in a different country  
• Interview an immigrant, a missionary, or someone who has lived in a different country  
• Compare their experiences with the experiences of the immigrants in *I Was Dreaming to Come to America*  
• Present the information from the interview to the class  
• Formulate a Christian perspective of how Christians should view and treat people from other cultures **BWS** |

*Display a completed book jacket  
• Identify three books for possible future reading*
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| “Paul Is Shipwrecked” (49) Bible account taken from Acts 27–28 | 256–63 | 206–13 | 87–88 | • Identify evidences of Paul’s faith during negative experiences  
• Infer truth about the character of God from this account  
• Define and identify miracles in this account  
• Relate the principle of Romans 8:28 to Paul’s experience  
• Apply Romans 8:28 to one’s personal experience |
| What I Had Was Singing (50–51) Biography an excerpt from the book by Jeri Ferris | 264–72 | 214–21 | 89–90 | • Identify cause-and-effect relationships in the biography  
• Identify examples of discrimination toward Anderson  
• Identify examples of respectful treatment of Anderson  
• Evaluate the attitudes of people in the biography based on biblical teaching |
| Look Again: What I Had Was Singing (52) | 273–78 | 222–26 | 91–92 | • Identify cause-and-effect relationships in the biography  
• Evaluate Anderson’s response to the way she was treated  
• Identify the author’s attitude toward her subject  
• Develop a plan to help prevent discrimination in one’s own sphere of influence |
| SSR Journal: Character Motives (53) Comprehension Assessment 4 | 279 | 214–26 | 93–94 | • Locate recordings of Marian Anderson’s singing through research  
• Relate the songs Anderson recorded to her life experiences  
• Explain how media connections add meaning and beauty to a text |
| | 280–81 | | | • Enjoy and respond to recreational reading  
• Provide information about character motives from chosen book  
• Demonstrate mastery of reading skills |
# Unit 3: Celebrations

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| “I Hear America Singing” (54) Poetry by Walt Whitman | 282–83 | 228–29 | 95–96 | • Identify imagery in the poem  
• Analyze the structure of the poem  
• Infer the theme of the poem and the values it portrays  
• Evaluate the poem’s message about work based on biblical principles **BWS**  
• Create a four-line free verse poem about America |
| *By the Dawn’s Early Light* (55) Narrative nonfiction by Steven Kroll | 284–93 | 230–39 | 97–98 | • Identify people and events that led to the writing of America’s national anthem  
• Identify positive traits of historical figures in the account  
• Infer emotions felt by Francis Scott Key that caused him to write the anthem  
• Explain how we are to treat others based on Matthew 5:43–44 **BWS**  
• Construct a timeline of events leading up to the adoption of America’s national anthem |
| “The Spirit of ’76” (56) Informational text by James Cross Giblin | 294–97 | 240–43 | 99–100 | • Identify messages that the image communicates  
• Explain the artist’s inspiration for the painting  
• Explain how the painting became so popular  
• Analyze why the painting communicates a powerful message  
• Evaluate the message of the painting based on biblical principles **BWS** |
| Look Again: Symbols of America (57) | 298–99 | 228–43 | 101–2 | • Recall the symbolism of “I Hear America Singing,” “The Star-Spangled Banner,” and *The Spirit of ’76*  
• Identify other national symbols  
• Infer the ideals or values that each symbol communicates  
• Create an image that symbolizes what the United States means to him or her |
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| *Thanks a Million* (58)                                     | 300–303               | 244–47                | 103–4            | • Identify key elements of a riddle  
• Identify literary devices in the poems (rhyme, onomatopoeia, metaphor, alliteration, sensory details)  
• Infer the common theme among all the poems BWS  
• Explain how each poem presents the theme in a different form BWS  
• Create a thank-you card with a Bible verse using a concordance (online or other) or online Bible BWS |
| Poetry by Nikki Grimes                                       |                       |                       |                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| “Holy Celebrations in Israel” (59–60)                       | 304–10                | 248–53                | 105–6            | • Identify the reasons for each holiday  
• Identify what each celebration pictures  
• Explain what Christians can learn from the holidays God gave to Israel BWS  
• Identify the reasons for each holiday  
• Explain what Christians can learn from the Offering of Firstfruits and the Feast of Weeks  
• Identify what the Day of Atonement and the Feast of Booths pictured  
• Compare and contrast the Day of Atonement practices with the truths they pictured  
• Make personal applications from reading about the Day of Atonement BWS |
| Informational text by Brian Collins                         | 311–17                | 253–59                | 107–8            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| “Invitation to Praise” (61)                                 | 318–19                | 260–61                | 109–10           | • Identify elements of a responsive reading  
• Identify the purpose of the responsive reading  
• Explain how repeated words or phrases emphasize the purpose of the passage BWS  
• Read the selection responsively as a class BWS  
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• Read the selection responsively as a class BWS |
| Responsive reading taken from Psalms 100:1–5 and 67:3–7      |                       |                       |                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Look Again: “Invitation to Praise” (62)                     | 320–21                | 260–61                | 111–12           | • Recall the elements of a responsive reading  
• Plan a responsive reading BWS  
• Create a responsive reading of Scripture based on a theme  
• Recall the elements of a responsive reading  
• Plan a responsive reading BWS  
• Create a responsive reading of Scripture based on a theme |
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| **Silver Packages** (63) Realistic fiction by Cynthia Rylant | 322–29 | 262–69 | 113–14 | • Explain how the author’s use of present tense draws the reader into the story  
• Trace the main character’s development in the story  
• Analyze how the main character’s change benefits himself and others  
• Infer the theme  
• Evaluate the theme based on biblical teaching **BWS** |
| “Vasko’s Christmas Rescue” (64) Realistic fiction by Dawn L. Watkins | 330–37 | 270–77 | 115–16 | • Trace the events of the plot through the story’s beginning, middle, and end  
• Identify the mood from details in the story  
• Infer the symbolism in story events  
• Infer the theme  
• Evaluate the theme from a biblical worldview **BWS** |
| Look Again: **Silver Packages** & “Vasko’s Christmas Rescue” (65) | 338–39 | 262–77 | 117–18 | • Summarize the plots of **Silver Packages** and “Vasko’s Christmas Rescue”  
• Compare the themes of **Silver Packages** and “Vasko’s Christmas Rescue”  
• Analyze the characteristics of a good Christmas story **BWS** |
| “Christmas Bells” (66) Poetry by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow | 340–41 | 278–79 | 119–20 | • Identify the rhyme scheme of the poem  
• Explain the historical context of the song  
• Infer the theme  
• Relate the refrain to the theme of the song  
• Evaluate the relevance of the theme historically and in the present day **BWS** |
| SSR Journal: Character Development (67) Comprehension Assessment 5 | 342–43 | | | • Enjoy and respond to recreational reading  
• Provide information about character development from chosen book  
• Demonstrate mastery of reading skills |
| “Welcoming the New Year!” (68–69) Informational text by Lynda Jones | 344–49 | 280–84 | 121–22 | • Identify different types of calendars  
• Compare aspects of Chinese New Year celebrations that are similar to US holidays  
• Identify the purpose of the activities of Chinese New Year celebrations  
• Evaluate these activities based on scriptural principles **BWS** |
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|                         | 350–55                | 284–89                | 123–24           | • Identify the purpose of the main activity of the Ecuadorian New Year celebration  
• Identify the main activities of the US New Year celebration  
• Evaluate these celebrations based on scriptural principles **BWS**  
• Compare and contrast the celebration activities of all three nations  
• Formulate the purpose of a New Year’s celebration based on biblical principles **BWS** |
| “Comida/Food” (70)      | 356–57                | 290–91                | 125–26           | • Identify the common subject in both poems  
• Identify Latin roots and their meanings  
• Compare and contrast the English and Spanish versions of the “Comida/Food” poem  
• Explain the rhyme scheme and rhythm of a limerick  
• Create a poem about a favorite food |
| Poetry                  |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| by Victor M. Valle      |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| “Limerick”              |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| Poetry                  |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| by W. H. H. in *The New Book of Nonsense* | | | | |
| Look Again: Holidays and Foods (71) | 358–59 | 280–91 | 127–28 | • Recall the food traditions of Chinese New Year, Año Viejo, and American New Year  
• Compare and contrast a holiday’s food traditions in several cultures  
• Create a paragraph about a holiday food tradition in one’s own family |
| “A Century of Blossoms” (72) | 360–65 | 292–97 | 129–30 | • Identify the purpose of the article  
• Identify actions that show Eliza’s persistence  
• Explain how other people helped Eliza accomplish her goal  
• Explain how the article’s title relates to the text  
• Evaluate the trait of persistence **BWS** |
| Informational text      |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| by Patricia A. Miller   |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| “May the Plum Tree Always Blossom” (73–74) | 366–72 | 298–303 | 131–32 | • Recall elements of Christian fiction  
• Infer character traits of Seventh Plumblossom, Luang, and the Japanese soldier  
• Infer the motives of Seventh Plumblossom, Luang, and the Japanese soldier  
• Predict whether Luang and Seventh Plumblossom will be separated |
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|                         | 373–79                | 303–9                 | 133–34           | • Identify motives of the Japanese soldier  
• Verify predictions of whether Luang and Seventh Plumblossom are separated  
• Infer the theme *BWS*  
• Explain how an act of kindness affected you or someone you know *BWS* |
| Look Again: “May the Plum Tree Always Blossom” (75) | 380–81 | 298–309 | 135–36 | • Recall the traits and motives of the Japanese soldier  
• Explain how the Japanese soldier’s kindness affects Luang and Seventh Plumblossom  
• Brainstorm ways in which God’s love can be shown through kindness *BWS* |
| “Koinobori, a Fish That Flies!” (76) Procedural text | 382–84 | 310–11 | 137–38 | • Interpret the directions for making a Japanese fish kite  
• Explain the directions  
• Make a fish kite by following the directions  
• Propose ways in which the procedure can be adapted |
| SSR Journal: Plot (77) Comprehension Assessment 6 | 385 | | | • Enjoy and respond to recreational reading  
• Provide information about plot from a chosen book  
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## Unit 4: Discoveries

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| **“This Poem Has Been Brought to You by Your Five Senses” & “Boneless” (78)**<br>Poetry by Allan Wolf | 386–87 | 314–15 | 139–40 | • Identify alliteration, rhyme, and other repetitive sounds in the poems  
• Identify examples of wordplay and humor in the poems  
• Explain how the poems present a fresh perspective on scientific facts  
• Write a humorous poem about something in the realm of science |
| **“Fool Your Senses!” (79–80)**<br>Informational text by Liz Huyck | 388–93 | 316–20 | 141–42 | • Explain how our brains and our five senses work together to discover the world around us  
• Identify ways that the senses of sight and hearing can be confused or deceived  
• Collaborate with a partner to conduct at least two experiments mentioned in the text  
• Analyze the results of your own experiments and those of others |
|  | 394–401 | 321–27 | 143–44 | • Identify ways that the senses of taste, touch, and smell can be confused or deceived  
• Collaborate with a partner to conduct at least two experiments mentioned in the text  
• Analyze the results of your own experiments and those of others  
• Explain how organization helps us follow the author’s thoughts in an informational text |
| **Girls Think of Everything (81–82)**<br>Informational text an excerpt from the book by Catherine Thimmesh | 402–7 | 328–33 | 145–46 | • Identify the organizational structure of this informational text  
• Identify text features that add interest to the text  
• Identify ways that each invention made life safer, easier, or more enjoyable  
• Evaluate the inventors’ responses to mistakes and discouragement from others |
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|                         | 408–15                | 333–39                | 147–48           | • Identify ways that each invention made life safer, easier, or more enjoyable  
• List the steps involved in obtaining a patent for an invention  
• Analyze the character traits an inventor must have  
• Relate an inventor’s work to Genesis 1:27–28 and Matthew 22:39 **BWS** |
| Look Again: *Girls Think of Everything* (83) | 416–17                | 328–39                | 149–50           | • Identify a problem to be solved  
• Design an invention with a partner to solve the problem  
• Present the invention design to the class |
| *Smallpox: Is It Over?* (84)  
Informational text  
an excerpt from the book by Adam Reingold | 418–25                | 340–47                | 151–52           | • Identify symptoms of smallpox  
• Trace the effects of smallpox throughout history  
• Explain how the smallpox vaccine was developed  
• Debate whether the smallpox virus should be kept or destroyed |
| *The Birchbark House* (85–87)  
Historical fiction  
an excerpt from the book by Louise Erdrich | 426–33                | 348–54                | 153–54           | • Recall the elements of historical fiction  
• Infer the emotions of the characters in the first four paragraphs  
• Explain the change in character emotions after the visitor dies  
• Infer the main emotions Omakayas feels  
• Predict what will happen to the characters affected by smallpox |
| 434–41                | 354–60                | 155–56                | • Verify predictions from Lesson 85 about will happen to the characters affected by smallpox  
• Explain personal emotions felt in response to the story  
• Infer emotions felt by Omakayas  
• Compare Omakayas’s emotions to personal emotions in response to the story |
| 442–51                | 360–69                | 157–58                | • Explain personal emotions felt in response to the story  
• Infer emotions felt by Omakayas  
• Compare Omakayas’s emotions to personal emotions in response to the story  
• Evaluate Omakayas’s grief in light of biblical truth **BWS** |
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| **Look Again: The Birchbark House (88)** | 452–53               | 348–69               | 159–60           | • Identify Ojibwa religious beliefs about the afterlife as described in *The Birchbark House*  
• Compare and contrast these beliefs with the Bible’s description of death and eternity *BWS*  
• Explain how the biblical view of eternity offers hope compared to the Ojibwa view of eternity *BWS* |
| **Seeker of Knowledge (89)** Narrative nonfiction by James Rumford | 454–61               | 370–77               | 161–62           | • Infer the author’s purpose  
• Relate hieroglyphs to their meanings  
• Identify actions and descriptions of Champollion that show his character  
• Analyze how Champollion’s character traits led to an important historical discovery  
• Evaluate Champollion’s character based on biblical truth *BWS* |
| **“Cracking Code Purple” (90)** Informational text by Anna Ouchchy | 462–67               | 378–83               | 163–64           | • Identify words and actions that show Genevieve Grotjan’s diligence  
• Explain the method used for breaking coded communications  
• Explain the reasons her discovery was so important  
• Infer her attitude about her job and her success  
• Evaluate her attitude and character traits based on Scripture *BWS* |
| **“A System of Dots” (91)** Informational text by Audrey DeAngelis and Gina DeAngelis | 468–73               | 384–89               | 165–66           | • Identify prior knowledge about the development of braille  
• Identify problems and solutions  
• Sequence the events that led to the development of braille  
• Compare and contrast three different methods of teaching reading to people who are blind  
• Explain how Louis Braille turned his hardship into a blessing for many people *BWS* |
| **Look Again: People with Disabilities (92)** | 474–75               |                      | 167–68           | • Identify well-known people who have disabilities  
• Explain ways to help people with disabilities  
• Formulate a Christian perspective on relating to people with disabilities *BWS*  
• Write an encouraging email or letter to someone with a disability *BWS* |
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| **Book Report: Character Interview or Podcast: Part 1 (93)** | 476–77                |                       |                  | • Compare sample character interview to rubric requirements  
| Comprehension Assessment 7                                  |                       |                       |                  | • Choose a character from a book on the student’s independent level  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Write interview questions for the character  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Participate in recreational reading  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Demonstrate mastery of reading skills  |
| **Top Secret (94–95)**                                      | 478–83                | 390–94                | 169–70           | • Distinguish between a code and a cipher  
| Procedural text an excerpt from the book by Paul Janeczko    |                       |                       |                  | • Identify several different ways to encipher a message  
|                                                             | 484–91                | 395–401               | 171–72           | • Apply the information to enciphering and deciphering messages  |
| **Look Again: Top Secret (96)**                             | 492–93                | 390–401               | 173–74           | • Compare and contrast codes on the basis of difficulty to encipher and decipher  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Follow procedural text to encipher a message  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Decipher a partner’s message  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Propose uses for codes in the twenty-first century  |
| **Blue Willow (97–98)**                                     | 494–503               | 402–10                | 175–76           | • Identify the historical setting of the story  
| Realistic fiction an excerpt from the book by Doris Gates    |                       |                       |                  | • Infer character emotions from words, actions, and thoughts  
|                                                             | 504–13                | 410–19                | 177–78           | • Describe the relationship between Janey and Mrs. Larkin  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Evaluate character attitudes about friendship based on James 2:8–9 **BWS**  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Infer character motives  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Compare and contrast Janey and Lupe  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Analyze how both Janey and Lupe begin to change through the relationship  
|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Evaluate the theme based on biblical teaching **BWS**  
<p>|                                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Propose one way to strengthen a friendship with someone whose perspective is different from one’s own <strong>BWS</strong>  |</p>
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| **Look Again: Blue Willow (99)** | 514–15 | 402–19 | 179–80 | • Identify the symbolism of the willow plate  
• Analyze how suspense makes Janey’s storytelling more interesting  
• Infer the connection between the story and Janey’s experience  
• Write a paragraph about how a story in Reading 5: Quests connects with personal experience |
| **Pulling the Lion’s Tail (100)**  
Folktale  
by Jane Kurtz | 516–25 | 420–29 | 181–82 | • Recall the different types of conflict in a story  
• Identify the types of conflict in the folktale  
• Explain how conflict is resolved  
• Infer the theme  
• Evaluate the theme in light of 1 Corinthians 13:4 BWS |
| **Look Again: Pulling the Lion’s Tail (101)** | 526–27 | 420–29 | 183–84 | • Recall types of literary conflict  
• Explain why conflict is a necessary part of stories  
• Identify types of conflict in The Wonderful Flight to the Mushroom Planet, “Vasko’s Christmas Rescue,” and Blue Willow  
• Summarize how conflict is resolved in each story |
| **The Librarian Who Measured the Earth (102–3)**  
Narrative nonfiction  
by Kathryn Lasky | 528–35 | 430–36 | 185–86 | • Identify subjects that Eratosthenes studied or wrote about  
• Explain why Eratosthenes was excited to go to Alexandria  
• Identify the major discoveries made by scholars in Alexandria  
• Evaluate the character trait of curiosity BWS |
|  | 536–41 | 437–41 | 187–88 | • Identify words from Greek roots  
• Explain the problems and solutions Eratosthenes worked on to measure the earth’s circumference  
• Analyze the advantages and disadvantages of trying to do something no one else has ever tried to do before  
• Formulate a Christian perspective on curiosity as it relates to science BWS |
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| Isaiah 40 (104)                              | 542–45                | 442–44                | 189–90           | • Identify words and phrases that show God’s power and wisdom *BWS*  
| Bible prophecy                              |                       |                       |                  | • Identify words and phrases that show God’s tender and loving care *BWS*  
| selected verses                             |                       |                       |                  | • Explain why some questions in this passage do not require an answer  
|                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Apply principles learned about God’s character to one’s own life *BWS*  |
| Look Again: Solving Problems (105)           | 546                   | 438–40, 443           | 191–92           | • Recall the steps Eratosthenes used to determine the earth’s circumference  
|                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Identify the steps in a problem-solving sequence  
|                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Collaborate to solve a riddle  
|                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Analyze problems that may have more than one solution  |
| SSR Journal: Character Emotions (106)        | 547                   |                       |                  | • Enjoy and respond to recreational reading  
| Comprehension Assessment 8                  |                       |                       |                  | • Respond to reading by providing information about character emotions  
<p>|                                             |                       |                       |                  | • Demonstrate mastery of reading skills  |</p>
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| *Moon over Tennessee* (107) | 548–55 | 446–53 | 193–94 | • Identify elements of free verse narrative  
• Explain how simile and metaphor make the story more vivid  
• Identify the purpose of the flashback in the selection  
• Infer the theme  
• Evaluate the theme of the selection  
*BWS* |
• Identify the purpose of the text features within the autobiography  
• Identify details that give a perspective on the events of the Civil War  
• Infer the author’s reasons for involvement in the war |
| | 563–69 | 460–65 | 197–98 | • Identify details that give a perspective on the events of the Civil War  
• Infer the author’s feelings about war, friends, and family members  
• Infer the author’s purpose in writing this autobiographical account  
• Analyze this account for differences from the way the war is portrayed in *Moon over Tennessee* |
| *Look Again: Primary Sources* (110) | 570–71 | 199–200 | | • Distinguish primary sources from other types of sources  
• Analyze insights gained from primary sources  
• Analyze the perspective on war in a primary source from the same time period as William Bircher’s diary |
| *“The Queen Who Saved Her People”* (111–12) | 572–78 | 466–71 | 201–2 | • Recall the definition of *irony*  
• Explain the difference between situational and dramatic irony  
• Identify the setting of the account  
• Identify character traits of Mordecai, Esther, and Haman  
• Sequence events in the account |
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|                          | 579–85                | 472–77                | 203–4            | • Identify the reason Mordecai gave for why Esther became queen  
• Recall the definition of irony  
• Identify examples of irony in the account  
• Trace the events of the account that show how God used Mordecai and Esther to save the Jews  
*BWS* |
| *Let’s Roll! (113–14)*   | 586–93                | 478–84                | 205–6            | • Identify prior and desired knowledge about the events of September 11, 2001 (K-W-L chart)  
• Identify character traits of Todd Beamer  
• Infer character traits of other passengers and crew members  |
| Biography                | 594–601               | 485–91                | 207–8            | • Explain why Todd Beamer and the other passengers of Flight 93 are viewed as heroes  
• Identify information learned by reading this selection (K-W-L chart)  
• Identify what made Todd Beamer different from other men  
*BWS*  
• Infer Lisa Beamer’s motivation based on her quotation of Esther 4:14  
*BWS*  
• Explain why every person needs a life built on the firm foundation of Christ  
*BWS* |
| Look Again: *Let’s Roll!* (115) | 602–3                | 478–91                | 209–10           | • Research online to learn about the design of the 9/11 Memorial  
• Research online to learn about passengers and crew members from United Flight 93 who were mentioned in the *Let’s Roll!* excerpt  
• Explain why it is important to remember the people and events of 9/11  |
| “How Firm a Foundation” (116) | 604–5                | 492–93                | 211–12           | • Identify the meaning of *foundation* as described in the first stanza  
• Relate promises found in Bible verses to the promises found in stanzas 2–5  
*BWS*  
• Explain how this hymn relates to Lisa Beamer’s testimony in *Let’s Roll!*  
*BWS*  
• Sing the hymn to demonstrate fluency  |
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| **“The Boy with Yellow Eyes” (117–18)**<br>Mystery by Gloria Gonzalez | 606–13 | 494–500 | 213–14 | • Identify foreshadowing in the beginning of the story  
  • Identify vague words and phrases that build suspense  
  • Compare and contrast Willie’s and Norman’s character traits  
  • Explain how three unrelated events bring the three main characters together |
| 614–19 | 500–505 | 215–16 | • Identify words and actions that build suspense  
  • Explain how Norman and Willie’s relationship changes  
  • Analyze the ways each boy uses his talents to become a hero  
  • Evaluate the friendship of Norman and Willie using biblical principles **BWS** |
| **Look Again: “The Boy with Yellow Eyes” (119)** | 620 | 494–505 | 217–18 | • Identify parts of the plot pyramid  
  • Analyze “The Boy with Yellow Eyes” to map the rising action, climax, and falling action  
  • Analyze the plot of “The Queen Who Saved Her People” |
| **Book Report: Character Interview or Podcast: Part 2 (120)**<br>Comprehension Assessment 9 | 621 | | | • Enjoy recreational reading  
  • Write answers to interview questions as the book character would answer them  
  • Compare written answers to rubric requirements  
  • Practice for character interview presentation or begin recording podcast |
| **Eric Liddell: Something Greater Than Gold (121–24)**<br>Biography by Janet and Geoff Benge | 622–28 | 506–11 | 219–20 | • Infer character traits of Eric Liddell  
  • Trace the events that led Eric to become an athlete  
  • Identify ways that Eric showed good sportsmanship  
  • Explain why it is important for Christians to demonstrate good sportsmanship **BWS** |
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|                         | 629–35                | 512–16                | 221–22           | - Trace the events that led Eric to speak publicly about his faith  
- Identify the main obstacle Eric had to overcome to share his faith  
- Identify the results of Eric’s decision to speak publicly about his faith  
- Analyze how fame has the potential to be used for good or for evil  
  *BWS* |
|                         | 636–42                | 516–21                | 223–24           | - Identify why Eric was a hero to the Scottish people  
- Identify the public’s response to Eric’s refusal to run on Sunday  
- Evaluate the public’s response to Eric’s refusal to run on Sunday  
  *BWS*  
- Infer Eric’s character traits and values shown by his refusal to run on Sunday  
  *BWS* |
|                         | 643–49                | 521–27                | 225–26           | - Identify reasons why Eric was not favored to win the 400-meter race  
- Identify the public’s response to Eric’s winning the Olympic gold  
- Contrast this response to the response when Eric refused to run on Sunday  
- Infer how Eric’s decision to become a missionary might affect his fame  
- Evaluate Eric’s view of his abilities and fame in light of biblical truth  
  *BWS* |
| **Look Again: Eric Liddell: Something Greater Than Gold (125)** | 650–51                | 506–27                | 227–28           | - Define the terms *news media* and *public opinion*  
- Propose ways the news media can influence public opinion  
- Infer the influence newspapers may have had in the varying public opinion of Eric Liddell  
- Analyze headlines to determine how they influence the reader  
- Rewrite headlines to change the way they influence the reader |
| **Character Interview or Podcast Presentations (126)** | 652–53                |                       |                  | - Present a character from a book orally  
- Develop appreciative listening skills |
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| "The Sword in the Stone" (127) Legend retold by Neil Philip | 654–59 | 528–33 | 229–30 | • Identify key elements of a legend  
• Compare and contrast traits of Kay and Arthur  
• Draw conclusions about why Arthur is important to British culture  
• Analyze the Arthurian legend for elements that may be true or fictional |
• Identify events that contribute to rising action in the plot  
• Identify traits that make Bellerophon heroic  
• Explain why Bellerophon needs both courage and trust to undertake his quest |
| | 667–71 | 539–43 | 233–34 | • Identify events that contribute to the rising action in the plot  
• Identify the climax and falling action of the myth  
• Explain why courage and trust are both important to the heroic action of the climax  
• Explain why the ending of the myth is satisfying  
• Compare and contrast Bellerophon’s battle with a Christian’s spiritual battle | BWS |
| Look Again: Myths and Legends (130) | 672–73 | 528–43 | 235–36 | • Compare and contrast the legend and the myth  
• Analyze why myths and legends become popular stories within a culture  
• Evaluate the source of supernatural help in the legend and the myth | BWS |
| "Granddaughter’s Sled" (131) Folktale retold by Pleasant DeSpain | 674–79 | 544–49 | 237–38 | • Infer the theme of “Granddaughter’s Sled”  
• Infer the theme of “The King and the Shirt”  
• Identify the character in each story that demonstrates the theme  
• Evaluate the theme statements of each story based on biblical principles | BWS |
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| **Cinderella (135)**                        | 690–99                | 558–67                | 241–42           | • Identify fairy tale as a kind of folktale  
  • Infer the theme of the story  
  • Explain how the illustrations contribute to the theme  
  • Evaluate the view of beauty presented in the story based on biblical teaching **BWS**  
  • Analyze the features that make a story a “Cinderella story” |
| Folktale retold and illustrated by K. Y. Craft |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| **Cinderella: The Graphic Novel (136)**     | 700–719               | 568–87                | 243–44           | • Identify key elements of the graphic novel  
  • Infer the mood created by the illustrations  
  • Compare and contrast this version of “Cinderella” with the previous selection  
  • Analyze the advantages and disadvantages of communicating with graphics over words |
| Folktale retold by Beth Bracken              |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| **Domitila (137–38)**                       | 720–28                | 588–95                | 245–46           | • Identify features in the story that are specific to Mexican culture  
  • Infer character traits  
  • Infer character motives  
  • Evaluate character motives based on biblical teaching about love **BWS**  
  • Contrast the characters of Domitila and Malvina  
  • Trace development in the character of Timoteo  
  • Infer the theme of the story  
  • Compare and contrast Domitila with Cinderella  
  • Explain why this story has become important to many different cultures |
| Folktale retold by Jewell Reinhart Coburn    |                       |                       |                  |                                          |
| **Look Again: Cinderella Stories (139)**     | 738–39                | 558–67                | 249–50           | • Identify the key elements of a parody  
  • Identify these elements in a parody of “Cinderella”  
  • Analyze the author’s purpose in creating the parody |
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| *Mufaro’s Beautiful Daughters* (140)  
Folktale  
by John Steptoe | 740–49 | 604–13 | 251–52 | • Identify the main character and the supporting character in the story  
• Contrast the supporting character’s traits with those of the main character  
• Explain how this contrast emphasizes the goodness of the main character  
• Infer the theme *BWS*  
• Compare the story with *Cinderella* and *Domitila* |
| *Proverbs 31* (141)  
Poetry  
selected verses | 750–53 | 614–17 | 253–54 | • Identify virtues displayed by the woman in the passage  
• Rewrite verse 30 in one’s own words  
• Compare and contrast Proverbs 31 with the preceding folktales *BWS*  
• Explain what it means to fear the Lord *BWS*  
• Identify a way to display the fear of the Lord in one’s own life *BWS* |
| “King Solomon’s Ring” (142)  
Folktale  
from Jewish tradition | 754–61 | 618–25 | 255–56 | • Identify irony in the folktale  
• Identify the riddle in the folktale  
• Identify the solution to the riddle  
• Explain the truth the solution presents  
• Analyze how this truth affects a happy person and a sad person |
| Look Again: “King Solomon’s Ring”  
(143) | 762–63 | 618–25 | 257–58 | • Recall the truth of the riddle and solution in “King Solomon’s Ring”  
• Compare the solution of the riddle to Psalm 90:12 *BWS*  
• Identify obstacles that hinder the wise use of time  
• Propose ways to use time wisely in different areas of one’s own life *BWS* |
| *Daniel at the Siege of Boston, 1776*  
(144–46)  
Historical fiction  
an excerpt from the book by  
Laurie Calkhoven | 764–72 | 626–33 | 259–60 | • Identify the setting  
• Explain how Colonel Prescott’s and Father’s actions calm the soldiers  
• Identify words and actions that show Daniel’s emotions  
• Infer Daniel’s character traits based on his emotions and responses  
• Compare and contrast Daniel’s character traits with Father’s |
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| Identify words and actions that show Daniel’s emotions | 773–79 | 633–38 | 261–62 | • Identify words and actions that show Daniel’s emotions  
• Infer Daniel’s character traits based on his emotions and responses  
• Identify sensory words and phrases that describe the battle  
• Formulate a Christian response to frightening situations  

BWS |
| Identify words and actions that show Daniel’s emotions | 780–85 | 639–43 | 263–64 | • Identify words and actions that show Daniel’s emotions  
• Infer Daniel’s character traits based on his emotions and responses  
• Trace the change in Daniel’s character over the course of the story  
• Evaluate Father’s explanation of courage according to biblical principles  
• Apply the definition of courage to a situation in one’s own life  

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| Identify and label on a map the places referenced in Daniel at the Siege of Boston, 1776 (147) | 786–87 | 626–43 | 265–66 | • Identify and label on a map the places referenced in Daniel at the Siege of Boston  
• Draw symbols on the map to show troop movements and fortifications, and draw a map legend for the symbols  
• Compare the map of Boston in 1775 with a map of modern-day Boston  |
| Shield Design and Creation (148)  
Comprehension Assessment 11 | 788–89 | | | • Design a shield that incorporates the elements of a personally memorable selection from the Reading book  
• Create the shield  
• Demonstrate mastery of reading skills  |
| Recall the elements of a fable  
Identify Hermes as the messenger god of Greek mythology  
Compare and contrast character traits of the woodcutter and his neighbor and the consequences of those traits  
Evaluate the stated moral based on biblical principles  

BWS | 790–93 | 644–47 | 267–68 | • Recall the elements of a fable  
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| “Fire, Water, Truth, and Falsehood” (150)  
Folktale from northeast Africa | 794–97                | 648–51                | 269–70           | • Identify Ethiopian cultural elements in the story  
• Infer the theme  
• Explain how personification is used to support the theme  
• Evaluate the theme of the story from a biblical worldview BWS |
| Look Again: Comparing Cultural Stories (151) | 798–99                | 644–51                | 271–72           | • Compare and contrast story elements of three cultural stories  
• Compare and contrast themes of three cultural stories  
• Analyze the reason for the importance of truthfulness in many cultures based on Romans 2:14–15 BWS |
| Digital Literacy: Online Safety and Responsibility (152) | 800–801               | 273–74                |                  | • Identify possible dangers online  
• Distinguish between personal and private information  
• Identify online responsibilities  
• Construct a plan for online personal safety |
| Digital Literacy: Cyberbullying (153) | 802–3                | 275–76                |                  | • Recall online responsibilities  
• Compare and contrast online and personal friends  
• Explain why bullying is sinful based on biblical principles BWS  
• Compare and contrast personal bullying and cyberbullying  
• Construct a plan for dealing with cyberbullying BWS |
| Digital Literacy: Propaganda and Unreliable News (154) | 804–7                | 277–78                |                  | • Identify types of propaganda  
• Identify ways to spot unreliable news stories  
• Compare and contrast propaganda and unreliable news stories  
• Evaluate materials using strategies to identify propaganda and unreliable news stories |
| Digital Literacy: Keyword Searches (155) | 808–9                | 279–80                |                  | • Identify search engines  
• Explain keywords and how to use them  
• Compare and contrast search results from using different keywords  
• Complete a search using keyword strategies |
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### Novel Studies: *Misty of Chincoteague*

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- Identify the ponies’ actual destination  
- Explain the reason the ponies are being transported  
- Explain the extended metaphor in the description of the sea |
| Chapter 2: “The Island of the Wild Things” (2) | 833–35 | - Contrast the ponies’ experiences on board the ship and on the island  
- Explain the personification of the sea as the ponies’ friend  
- Analyze the survival techniques the ponies learn on the island  
- Infer reasons people do not settle on Assateague Island |
| Chapter 3: “The Phantom” (3) | 836–39 | - Explain why Paul is fascinated with the Phantom  
- Explain Paul and Maureen’s plan to buy the Phantom  
- Explain the relationship between Paul and Maureen  
- Contrast Paul’s and Maureen’s responses to what they observe |
| Chapter 4: “Sacred Bones” (4) | 840–43 | - Infer the reason Grandpa says bones are sacred  
- Infer character traits of Grandpa  
- Analyze Grandpa’s explanation of a legend  
- Explain the origins of Pony Penning Day |
| Chapter 5: “A Piece of Wind and Sky” (5) | 844–47 | - Identify the children’s motive for buying a pony of their own  
- Explain Paul’s plan to earn money from Grandpa  
- Contrast the children’s and Grandpa’s expectations about capturing the Phantom  
- Evaluate the children’s view of work  
- Evaluate Paul’s response to authority  |
| Chapter 6: “Pony Penning Day” (6) | 848–51 | - Identify Paul’s character traits  
- Explain how sensory details bring events to life  
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- Explain how Paul is able to drive the Phantom and her foal to Tom’s Point  
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| Chapter 7: “She Can’t Turn Back” (7) | 852–55 | - Infer character emotions  
- Explain how simile and metaphor add interest to the narrative of events  
- Explain how irony makes Paul’s accomplishment satisfying  
- Predict whether the Phantom and Misty will safely swim the channel to Chincoteague |
| Chapter 8: “Caught in the Whirlpool” (8) | 856–59 | - Explain the reason for the change in viewpoint  
- Infer character emotions  
- Trace the use of suspense throughout the chapter  
- Infer Paul’s motive for risking his life for Misty  
- Verify the outcome of the prediction in Chapter 7 |
| Chapter 9: “On to the Pony Penning Grounds” (9) | 860–62 | - Identify the problem with keeping both ponies  
- Identify the proposed solution to the problem  
- Identify Maureen’s character traits  
- Infer character emotions  
- Create a timeline of the events surrounding Pony Penning Day |
| Assessment 1 (10) | 863 | - Sequence events in the plot  
- Identify traits of each of the main characters  
- Identify literary elements in the story  
- Evaluate character motives and actions |
| Chapter 10: “Colts Have Got to Grow Up” (11) | 864–66 | - Infer the reasons why Paul and Maureen speak politely to the Pied Piper  
- Explain why the children are worried about the colts  
- Summarize the fire chief’s explanation of why the children should not worry  
- Explain the children’s response to the fire chief’s explanation  
- Infer the character traits of the fire chief |
| Chapter 11: “Storm-Shy” (12) | 867–70 | - Identify sensory details  
- Identify personification and onomatopoeia  
- Trace the use of suspense  
- Explain the significance of the Phantom’s eating out of Paul’s hand |
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• Explain the significance of Phantom’s name  
• Identify Paul’s, Maureen’s, and Grandpa’s different attitudes about Phantom’s freedom  
• Analyze Paul’s motives in giving Phantom her freedom |
| Assessment 2 (20) | 895 | • Sequence events in the plot  
• Identify emotions of each of the main characters  
• Identify literary elements in the story  
• Evaluate character motives and actions  
• Identify meanings of vocabulary words from context |
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                         • Identify the setting of the story  
                         • Identify the main and supporting characters in the story  
                         • Infer Brady’s character traits |
| Chapter 2 (2)           | 901–5                 | • Identify sensory details  
                         • Identify cause-and-effect relationships between Drover Hull and sicknesses  
                         • Compare and contrast Brady and Range  
                         • Contrast Brady’s mother’s view of slavery with his father’s view of slavery |
| Chapter 3 (3)           | 906–9                 | • Recall the meaning of mood in a story  
                         • Explain why Brady should not have spoken about Drover Hull’s cabin  
                         • Identify how the mood changes in the chapter  
                         • Identify Brady’s emotions throughout the chapter  
                         • Predict what Brady’s idea might be |
| Chapter 4 (4)           | 910–12                | • Verify predictions about Brady’s idea  
                         • Infer Brady’s motives for bringing the squirrels home  
                         • Infer why Brady does not draw a mouth on the scarecrow  
                         • Explain Brady’s response to the scarecrow’s appearance |
| Chapter 5 (5)           | 913–16                | • Identify the mood in Chapter 5  
                         • Contrast Tar’s appearance at his shop with his appearance at Drover Hull’s cabin  
                         • Infer the slave catcher’s character traits based on his appearance and his words  
                         • Infer the author’s view of slavery (tone) based on her portrayal of the slave catcher |
| Chapter 6 (6)           | 917–20                | • Infer Laban’s character traits  
                         • Explain the significance of Laban’s name  
                         • Infer reasons why Drover Hull’s cabin is empty  
                         • Predict the cause of Brady’s dizziness |
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• Explain why Brady thinks drinking from Drover Hull’s well made him sick  
• Infer the cause of Mr. Minton’s response to Brady’s story about the scarecrow  
• Evaluate Brady’s treatment of Mary Dorcas in light of biblical truth *BWS* |
| Chapter 8 (8)           | 925–28                | • Infer Brady’s reasons for being irritated with Mary Dorcas  
• Recall the definitions of suspense and irony  
• Identify details that make the Independence Day celebration suspenseful and ironic  
• Identify the mood at the end of the chapter  
• Analyze why the mood changes at the end of the chapter |
| Chapter 9 (9)           | 929–33                | • Recall the definition and types of literary conflict  
• Identify the types of conflict in the chapter  
• Identify the mood during Mr. Minton’s sermon  
• Analyze why the mood changes at the end of the chapter |
| Assessment 1 (10)       | 934–35                | • Identify the setting  
• Sequence plot events  
• Identify characters’ views of slavery  
• Identify meanings of vocabulary words |
| Chapter 10 (11)         | 936–40                | • Identify ways Brady thinks slavery has ruined his life  
• Analyze Brady’s thoughts that slavery has ruined his life *BWS*  
• Contrast Mr. Fergus’s view of slavery with Mr. Minton’s view of slavery  
• Evaluate these opposing views of slavery in light of biblical truth *BWS* |
| Chapter 11 (12)         | 941–44                | • Infer character emotions  
• Infer reasons for Brady’s frightened reaction to finding Moss  
• Compare Brady and Moss  
• Explain how meeting Moss changes Brady’s view of slavery  
• Predict whether Brady will tell others about Moss |
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                          • Identify Brady’s motives for staying on the farm  
                          • Identify the types of conflict Brady experiences |
| Chapter 13 (14)         | 949–52                | • Recall the meaning of character development  
                          • Infer Brady’s character traits from his view and treatment of Moss  
                          • Infer Brady’s motives for being kind to Moss  
                          • Infer the reasons why a new name is important to Moss  
                          • Identify ways Brady has changed (developed) since the beginning of the story |
| Chapter 14 (15)         | 953–56                | • Infer why the Mintons want Moses Lowe to leave  
                          • Infer the author’s tone toward abolitionists like Moses Lowe  
                          • Explain what Brady thinks is the reason behind his father’s sending him to Washington  
                          • Identify the types of conflict shown in the chapter  
                          • Identify events that make the story suspenseful |
| Chapter 15 (16)         | 957–60                | • Infer why Brady does not like abolitionists  
                          • Identify the mood  
                          • Identify details that create the mood  
                          • Predict what Brady plans to do when he returns home |
| Chapter 16 (17)         | 961–63                | • Identify character traits Brady demonstrates during the fire  
                          • Identify the problems Brady faces  
                          • Identify Brady’s solutions to the problems  
                          • Infer Brady’s motives for deciding to help Moss  
                          • Verify predictions from Lessons 12 and 16 about Brady’s actions |
| Chapter 17 (18)         | 964–67                | • Identify details that create suspense  
                          • Infer reasons for Moss’s fear  
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| Assessment 2 (20)       | 973                   | • Sequence plot events  
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