

# Literature Overview and Comprehension Strategies


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<b>Big Idea and Theme</b>	Reading Selections— No Big Idea or Theme	Big Idea: • I + • L + Theme: • I	Big Idea: • I + • L + Theme: • I	Big Idea: • I + • L + Theme: • I	Big Idea: • I + • L + Theme: • I	Big Idea: • I + • L + Theme: • I
<b>Comprehension Strategies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Absurdity</li> <li>• Content web</li> <li>• Main idea</li> <li>• Moral</li> <li>• Paragraph writing</li> <li>• Preteaching difficult story words</li> <li>• Story details</li> <li>• Story grammar</li> <li>• Story prediction</li> <li>• Story retell</li> <li>• Visualization</li> <li>• What I Know/ What I Learned</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Background knowledge</li> <li>• Content web</li> <li>• Graphic organizer</li> <li>• Making inferences</li> <li>• Preteaching difficult story words</li> <li>• Problem→ Solution→</li> </ul>				

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<b>Student Edition</b>		Oceans (nonfiction) About the ocean climate, as well as how animals				
	Lessons 1–20 include an assortment of short fiction and nonfiction pieces used to help students with concepts introduced in 					

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<b>Chapter Books</b>		<p><b>The Food Chain</b> (nonfiction) How the food chain works in oceans, deserts, forests, plains, and mountains</p>	<p><b>Earthquakes: Making Buildings Stronger</b> (fiction) After an earthquake, two grandparents explain to their grandchildren ways to construct buildings that will withstand earthquakes.</p>	<p><b>Pen Pals Across the Pacific</b> (fiction) A girl in Hong Kong and a girl in San Diego exchange letters about their lives.</p>	<p><b>Uncle Teddy's Tale</b> (fiction) A boy's great-uncle tells stories about how transportation has changed for their family since the Civil War.</p>	<p><b>Kids with Great Ideas</b> (nonfiction) Braille, the Popsicle, and earmuffs, as well as other inventions by children</p>
		<p><b>A Floating Town</b> (nonfiction) The everyday life, problems, and solutions of the people living in Kompong Luong, a city that floats on the Tonlé Sap lake in Cambodia</p>	<p><b>Stuck in the Snow</b> (fiction) The Sutherlys are stuck in their car during a surprise blizzard in the Grand Canyon. The children help their parents think of ways to stay safe through the night.</p>	<p><b>Cell Phones: Bringing the World Together</b> (nonfiction) How cell phones work, including a look at the invention of the radio and the landline phone, and the benefits of cell phones today</p>	<p><b>Vehicles: Getting from Here to There</b> (nonfiction) Detailed descriptions and diagrams of different transportation vehicles, including bicycles, trains, and helicopters</p>	<p><b>Communication Information</b> (nonfiction) Inventions that have helped with communication, including the Pony Express, Morse code, and the Internet</p>
		<p><b>Nomads: People on the Move</b> (nonfiction) The everyday lives of the following nomadic tribes: Changpa, Machiguenga, Nenetses, Bedouins, and Masai</p>	<p><b>Storm Chasers</b> (fiction) Two storm chasers visit a family in Oklahoma and explain about storm chasing. Later, a tornado hits, and everyone takes shelter in the basement.</p>	<p><b>The Jumbled Journey</b> (fiction) Two families take a vacation to London and end up traveling around the world, helping people as they go.</p>		