WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

THIRD GRADE

GENRE UNIT: HISTORICAL FICTION

TEACHER RESOURCE GUIDE

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### GENRE UNIT / TITLE SELECTIONS – GRADE 3

**Historical Fiction:** Is a work of fiction that relates to a specific time period in history. Although the characters are fictional, the events they experienced and the problems they faced are based on actual events in history such as: Immigration to America, The Pilgrims, The Holocaust, and the Revolutionary War. While the story elements are not factual, these stories are meant to give children a better understanding of what life might have been like during that period in history.

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An immigrant boy’s tattered woolen coat helps secure his entrance into America. Grisha, whose parents have died, now lives with his cousin Rachel’s boisterous family in a Russian shtetl (town). Grisha misses his parents terribly, though he finds comfort in playing story telling games with Rachel and in wearing the now ragged coat sewn by his mother. After the Cossacks terrorize the Jews of the shtetl, Rachel’s family flees to America. At Ellis Island, an inspector notes a scratch on Grisha’s eye and marks his coat, indicating that he is rejected. Fortunately, quick-thinking Rachel turns Grisha’s coat inside out, allowing him to pass with the rest of the family.

*Please be sure to read the factual information provided in the back of the book.*

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Jessie and her grandmother live in an Eastern European shtetl (town) where, one day, the Rabbi informs the villagers that his brother has died and left him one ticket to "the promised land." The rabbi feels he cannot leave his people and decides to give the ticket to 13-year-old Jessie. It's almost too much for Jessie and her grandmother to bear, though both believe it is for the best. In America, Jessie follows her grandmother's trade and becomes a dressmaker. She works for three years until she has enough saved to purchase another ticket--for her grandmother. This picture book for older children is handsomely crafted. The pages are thick, and the watercolor-and-gouache paintings that illustrate the story are luminous. Lynch's full-page and paneled art, especially the scenes of Jessie at sea, have a panoramic quality. In some ways, the book's rich look is a problem, because the design, at times, overwhelms a story whose strongest point is its personal feeling. The pictures are striking, but it's the text that conveys the human emotions of loss, hope, and love that children will respond to.
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<td>The year is 1868 and Sweden is a barren land of poverty and famine. Carl Erik and his family receive a letter from an uncle in America. The uncle realizes that the Erik family is near the end of the rope, and encourages them to move abroad to make a new life. The family sells all their personal items and begins a long trek across land and sea to America.</td>
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| Picture Carousel activity |

| Whole Class Lesson 3: Determine the Meaning of Words |
| Using text evidence to define vocabulary |
| Begin student vocabulary logs for assigned genre book |

| Whole Class Lesson 4: Monitoring for Meaning |
| Metacognition Stop & Jot - summarize |

| Independent/ Teacher Circulates |
| Independent/ Small Group (Advanced / basic) |
| Independent/ Small Group (2 average) |

| Independent/ Teacher Circulates |
| Students finish reading assigned section |
| Monitor: listen to inner voice/ stop & reread/ Relate to vocabulary & genre |

- Book 1 - Read pp. 1-9 |
- Book 2 – Read pp. 1-8 |
- Book 3 - Read pp. 1-15 |
- Book 4 - Read pp. 7-17 |

- Relate to genre overview- e.g. Story Map, Vocabulary Log |

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What is a Historical Fiction?
Exploring and Identifying Historical Fiction Elements
Standard 3.5

Overview:
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Classroom Resources:
Historical Fiction Elements Poster
Historical Fiction Elements Graphic Organizer
Historical Fiction mentor text (The Butterfly)
Document camera / projector

Instructional Plan:
- Show Historical Fiction Elements Poster and discuss elements
- Obtain and familiarize yourself with the historical fiction mentor text The Butterfly by Patricia Palacco. This book works well because students can easily identify the historical time period. Students will stop and jot during read aloud using the Historical Fiction graphic organizer to take notes on character, setting and time period, and historical events. This will give students the opportunity to point out the key elements of historical fiction. Conclude with students writing a paragraph explaining why the book is an example of historical fiction, using supportive evidence from the story. Students may reference notes taken on graphic organizer.

This is a heartwarming story of a girl, Monique, who finds a Jewish friend, Sevrine. It is also about their meetings at night. But when a neighbor spies them, it endangers both Monique and Sevrine’s families. Sevrine’s family has to flee.

List of suggested historical fiction books:
Angel Child, Dragon Child by Michele Maria Surat
Esperanaza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan
Samuel Eaton's Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Boy by Kate Waters
Sarah Morton's Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Girl by Kate Waters
Instruction and Activities:

1. Use the document camera to show Historical Fiction Elements Poster and discuss elements
   - Focus on the setting: when & where the story occurs
   - Discuss how the historical time periods effects the story line
   - Focus on characters: portrayed realistically and could be actual people from history

2. Ask students if they have ever read any historical fictions, and if so, what their favorites are. Record the historical fiction titles and setting responses on chart paper.

3. Explain that the story you're about to read is a historical fiction. Ask students to listen for the story elements that were previously discussed and record text evidence on Historical Fiction graphic organizer. Read aloud The Butterfly, stopping to chunk text. Have students use stop and jot strategy to record information on the characters, story setting and the time period, and historical events.

4. Students will use the notes taken on the graphic organizer to develop a paragraph stating why this mentor text is an example of historical fiction. Provide a sentence starter – The book, The Butterfly, is an example of historical fiction because...

Student Assessment/Reflections:

Assess students' comprehension of the characteristics of a historical fiction story through notes taken on graphic organizer, as well as the paragraph connecting The Butterfly to historical fiction genre.
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Historical Fiction Elements

- form of fiction (not true)
- based on historical events
- authentic settings
- characters portrayed in realistic manner
- some characters may be actual people from history, but the story is fictional
Whole Class Lesson # 2  
Building Background  
and  
General Immigration Vocabulary  
PART 1 (Day 1-*2 Day Lesson)  

Essential Standard 3.4  

Overview: Teacher will create a web and teach general immigration vocabulary list to build background for all of the historical fiction books.

Classroom Resources:  
General Immigration Vocabulary  
Chart Paper / white board  
Document camera / projector

Instructional Plan:  
- Create a web on the board about Immigration

- Teach General Immigration Vocabulary using the chart included.

Student Assessment/Reflections:  
Students complete vocabulary chart by writing vocabulary sentences.
Directions: Use the vocabulary words below to create sentences.

### General Immigration Vocabulary

1. **immigrant** – people who come to a new land to make their home

2. **immigration** - the act of moving permanently from one place to another

3. **freedom** – free from the rule of another

4. **Statue of Liberty** – an enormous statue of a woman holding a torch above her head. She represents liberty and freedom and was a gift from France to the U.S. She is located in the NY Harbor and was usually the first seen when immigrants arrived by boat to U.S.

5. **Ellis Island** – An immigration processing center or port of entry in the NY harbor where most immigrants passed through before being allowed to officially enter and settle in the U.S.

6. **harbor** - a part of a body of water along the shore deep enough for anchoring a ship

7. **passengers** - A person who travels in a car, train, ship, or airplane without participating in the driving

8. **inspectors** – people who looked for contagious diseases among the passengers
Whole Class Lesson # 2
Building Background
and
General Immigration Vocabulary
PART 2 (Day 2)

Essential Standard 3.4

**Overview:** Use carousel photos of General Immigration Vocabulary to deepen understanding and build background knowledge for all historical fiction books.

**Classroom Resources:**
- General Immigration Vocabulary
- Carousel of photos
- Graphic organizer
- Document camera / projector

**Instructional Plan:**
- Use the General Immigration Vocabulary, graphic organizer, and document camera.
- Model using picture #1 and vocabulary word *immigration*.
- Students will rotate around the room in small groups to view photos as a carousel activity.
- Complete vocabulary graphic organizer.

**Student Assessment/Reflections:**
All students will complete graphic organizer.
## Vocabulary Picture Carousel

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Grade 3: Historical Fiction Unit

Pictures for Whole Class Lesson #2

Day 2

General Vocabulary for Immigration

Picture Carousel
Whole Class Lesson # 3
Determining the Meaning of Words

Essential Standard: RL 3.4

Overview: Determine the meaning of a word using text evidence to support thinking.

Classroom Resources:
Historical Fiction mentor text, such as The Butterfly
Vocabulary Log
Dictionaries
Chart Paper / white board
Document camera / projector
Historical Fiction Books

Instructional Plan:
Obtain and familiarize yourself with a historical fiction selection such as The Butterfly by Patricia Polacco. Using this book, model how to develop a definition for chosen words and cite text evidence to support the meaning of the word.

Instructional Activities:
1. Read The Butterfly and stop at the indicated pages to fill in the vocabulary log. Model how to create a definition for the word and cite text evidence to support meaning.
2. Provide students with a blank copy of the vocabulary log for each section of their historical fiction books.
3. Refer to the identified vocabulary for each section of the historical fiction books and select appropriate words for the vocabulary log. (Use about 5 words per section.)
4. A blank vocabulary log is included for additional words that students or teachers may want to explore.

Student Assessment/Reflections:
Assess students’ understanding of vocabulary word meanings, citing evidence to support their thinking using their vocabulary log.

Special Education Modifications:
Special Education teachers may modify expectations for vocabulary logs to accommodate individual students.

Students will maintain vocabulary log – on their assigned genre book- throughout the Historical Fiction Unit
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<td>They both <em>wheeled</em> and looked.</td>
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<td>time period when Nazis lived at that location</td>
<td>They knew it had happened before during these years of the <em>occupation,</em> but never had they seen it. The Nazis can’t be here forever, my sweet children. Mother France has been here for centuries. They, for a short, terrible time.</td>
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<td>basement</td>
<td>…looked like a door in the floor. Severine pulled up the door, and they both climbed down a very narrow set of stairs into a part of the <em>cellar</em>… (pg. 18) At all costs she had to keep the secret that lived in her basement.</td>
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<td>butterfly</td>
<td>A <em>papillon,</em> a butterfly fluttered from flower to flower.</td>
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<td>shelter, place of protection</td>
<td>You are no longer safe here, my dear. We must leave home tonight. We need to get you and your family out of the country. Pe’re Voulliard will take your parents to the next <em>refuge.</em></td>
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<td>2. commotion</td>
<td>disturbance</td>
<td>2. And oh, what a commotion they made!</td>
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<td>3. Bubba</td>
<td>Hebrew name for Grandmother</td>
<td>3. And in the midst of this and that, there was their grandmother, Bubba, covering her ears and shushing them.</td>
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<td>4. epidemic</td>
<td>Widespread sickness</td>
<td>4. He had been orphaned when he lost his parents in an epidemic.</td>
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<td>5. synagogue</td>
<td>Jewish house of prayer</td>
<td>5. And there were still times when he would run to the alley behind the synagogue where he could be alone and grieve.</td>
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<td>6. Cossacks</td>
<td>a member of a people of southern European Russia and adjacent parts of Asia, noted as cavalymen especially during czarist times</td>
<td>6. Then one day, news spread through the market-place that the Cossacks were coming on powerful horses and waving sharp swords.</td>
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<td>7. din</td>
<td>A loud continuous noise, uproar</td>
<td>7. As the din of thousands of strange voices echoed through the large hall, they couldn’t help wondering and worrying about the inspectors who watched them.</td>
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<td>8. interpreter</td>
<td>person who translates, or gives meanings, from one language to another</td>
<td>8. “His eye is healthy --- just a scratch,” Rachel’s father pleaded to the inspector.</td>
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Vocabulary Log for *The Memory Coat*

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<td>p. 3 a spiritual leader of the Jewish religion</td>
<td>In the morning, when the village boys went to the rabbi for lessons, Jessie went, too.</td>
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<td>2. synagogue</td>
<td>p. 6 a place of worship, or a house of prayer, in the Jewish religion</td>
<td>One evening, toward the end of summer, the rabbi called the people of the village to the synagogue.</td>
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<td>3. logic</td>
<td>p. 7 common sense, reason, well-thought out</td>
<td>“Rabbi, listen to logic! I must go to America, for I am brave!”</td>
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<td>4. guidance</td>
<td>p. 7 help, instruction or advice</td>
<td>“Tonight I shall see guidance from the Almighty,” he told the villagers.</td>
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<td>5. channel</td>
<td>p. 11 a small waterway that goes between two bodies of water or leads to a larger body of water</td>
<td>But the boat slipped away from the dock, then into the channel and on toward the sea.</td>
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<td>6. pitied</td>
<td>p. 14 felt sorry for</td>
<td>Later, she sat on her trunk and cried. Passengers pitied the girl with the auburn hair and ginger-colored freckles.</td>
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<td>7. tattered</td>
<td>p. 16 shabby, worn or ragged</td>
<td>An old woman came along in a tattered coat. Jessie sewed lace, a collar and cuffs, and soon the coat was grand.</td>
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<td>8. inspections</td>
<td>p. 21 studying, or looking at very carefully; usually to check for problems</td>
<td>The ship docked at Ellis Island. Then papers. Wait on line. Inspections. Wait on line…</td>
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<td>9. trolleys</td>
<td>p. 23 a bus-sized vehicle that runs on electricity, usually from an overhead wire</td>
<td>I wish you could see the pushcarts and shops and the trolleys speeding by.</td>
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<td>10. browsing</td>
<td>p. 26 looking through</td>
<td>Miss Emily Levy was browsing in the shop that very day.</td>
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Vocabulary Log for When Jessie Came Across the Sea

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<td>round stones used in paving</td>
<td>Sprays of water were coming out of the bottom of the tank and wetting the dusty cobblestones.</td>
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<td>a kind of bread</td>
<td>Lily woke to the good smells of biscuits baking and bacon frying.</td>
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<td>not calm or patient</td>
<td>Lily began to wriggle impatiently.</td>
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<td>a stiff cotton fabric</td>
<td>You can make a pattern out of this piece of buckram.</td>
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<td>Stretched out</td>
<td>Then she folded the rays down so they extended out from her forehead.</td>
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<td>Wooden board</td>
<td>Papa placed two wooden crates on the sidewalk. Then he put a plank across to make a shelf.</td>
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<td>suddenly, without thinking</td>
<td>“You can have it”, Lily said impulsively.</td>
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| 13. | admiringly | p. 31 | has a high opinion of, to like a person a lot | Lily looked at her friend admiringly. She wished she had the nerve to talk back to those older boys. |
| 14. | contributions | p. 36 | A gift or donations | “Well, well perhaps we can include a crown when we send our contributions to the Pedestal Fund to Mr. Pulitzer’s newspaper”. |
| 15. | companion | p. 42 | friend | “Look at Liberty’s crown”, said a lady to her companion. |
| 16. | accordion | p. 45 | Wind instrument with bellows for forcing air and a keyboard | On deck just behind them a man played “Yankee Doodle” on his accordion. |

**Chapter 7 and Afterword**

| 17. | interrupted | p. 49 | Stopped someone in the middle of a discussion | Mrs. Rosen interrupted her. |
| 18. | enlightening | p. 54, 58 | Give knowledge, shed light | Yes, she was the biggest statue ever built! She was taller than any building in the whole city of New York. She was a queen. And her name was Liberty, Liberty Enlightening the World! |
| 19. | sculptor | p. 58 | One who creates a work of 3D art such as a statute | Mr. Bartholdi, the sculptor, pulled a cord and the flag dropped to the ground. |
Vocabulary Log for *Lily and Miss Liberty*

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<td>A small green plant without flowers.</td>
<td>Carl Erik and his brother Jonas gathered moss in the forest.</td>
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<td>Grandmother</td>
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<td>Small hotels.</td>
<td>They met at inns each night.</td>
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<td>A city where ships that travel can dock, load and unload.</td>
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<td>p. 32 To bring to a landing area for ships (dock)</td>
<td>Three days later they docked in Hull.</td>
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<td>p. 34 Large open fields of high grass.</td>
<td>It passed fields and meadows and rows of brick houses.</td>
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<td>p. 38 Medicine used to prevent disease.</td>
<td>He looked for their smallpox vaccinations.</td>
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<td>p. 43, 45 A person who helps passengers on a boat.</td>
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Vocabulary Log for *The Long Way to a New Land*

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Vocabulary:  When Jessie Came Across the Sea

Directions:  Please read the following questions carefully.  Use your understanding of the story vocabulary to help you answer each question.

1.  You have just met your **rabbi** at the **synagogue** to ask him questions about an upcoming celebration.  What is your religion?

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2.  Name a time that you used **logic** to solve a challenging problem.

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3.  Describe a time when you have needed some **guidance** from a grown-up.

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4  Your best friend invites you to swim in their pool.  Would this be similar to swimming in a **channel**?  Why or why not?

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5.  Name an event that would cause you to **pity** another person.

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6. Think of a *tattered* object that you own. Describe what the object looks like and tell how it got that way.

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7. Tell about a time that you have been inspected. Who performed the *inspection* and why did they do it?

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8. Where is your favorite place to do some *browsing*? Describe what you see and do.

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9. Draw a picture of yourself on a *trolley* ride. Include a caption about how you feel about the ride and why.
Whole Class Lesson # 3
Determining the Meaning of Words

Essential Standard:  RL 3.4

Overview: Determine the meaning of a word using text evidence to support thinking.

Classroom Resources:
Historical Fiction mentor text, such as The Butterfly
Vocabulary Log
Dictionaries
Chart Paper / white board
Document camera / projector
Historical Fiction Books

Instructional Plan:
Obtain and familiarize yourself with a historical fiction selection such as The Butterfly by Patricia Polacco. Using this book, model how to develop a definition for chosen words and cite text evidence to support the meaning of the word.

Instructional Activities:
1. Read The Butterfly and stop at the indicated pages to fill in the vocabulary log. Model how to create a definition for the word and cite text evidence to support meaning.
2. Provide students with a blank copy of the vocabulary log for each section of their historical fiction books.
3. Refer to the identified vocabulary for each section of the historical fiction books and select appropriate words for the vocabulary log. (Use about 5 words per section.)
4. A blank vocabulary log is included for additional words that students or teachers may want to explore.

Student Assessment/Reflections:
Assess students’ understanding of vocabulary word meanings, citing evidence to support their thinking using their vocabulary log.

Special Education Modifications:
Special Education teachers may modify expectations for vocabulary logs to accommodate individual students.

Students will maintain vocabulary log – on their assigned genre book- throughout the Historical Fiction Unit
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<td>turned around</td>
<td>They both wheeled and looked.</td>
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<td>time period when Nazis lived at that location</td>
<td>They knew it had happened before during these years of the occupation, but never had they seen it. The Nazis can’t be here forever, my sweet children. Mother France has been here for centuries. They, for a short, terrible time.</td>
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<td>basement</td>
<td>…looked like a door in the floor. Severine pulled up the door, and they both climbed down a very narrow set of stairs into a part of the cellar… (pg. 18) At all costs she had to keep the secret that lived in her basement.</td>
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<td>You are no longer safe here, my dear. We must leave home tonight. We need to get you and your family out of the country. Père Voulliard will take your parents to the next refuge.</td>
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Whole Class Lesson # 4: Standard 3.1

Monitoring for Meaning:
Listen to inner voice/Stop & jot to summarize and ask questions

Overview:
Readers monitor (check) for meaning by asking questions and summarizing

Materials
*The Butterfly* by Patricia Polacco
Leveled genre texts
Document camera/overhead projector
Sticky Notes

Connection (1-2 minutes)
In the past, we have talked about one of the kinds of thinking that good readers do while they are reading. We talked about how good readers listen to themselves as they say the words. They are always listening in to themselves to see if the words are making sense and if they understand what is happening in the story. We call this “monitoring for meaning.” Good readers who are “Monitoring for meaning” are always watching out and making sure about the meaning of the story. They are always asking themselves: “Does this sound right?” “Does this make sense?”

Direct Instruction (10-15 minutes)
I’m going to show you how good readers notice when their reading doesn’t make sense. As I read, listen to what I am thinking. When something doesn’t make sense I am going to STOP reading and really notice that. I will stop and jot down my thinking on the gist of what I’m reading and what questions I may have. Watch how I figure out what is happening in the story.

Model:
• Read aloud a section of text (1-2 pages)
• STOP and think aloud about gist of what I just read and any questions I may have
• Model recording gist and questions on sticky notes

Guided Practice (5 minutes)
• Teacher will read aloud another selection of the text
• Students will record gist and questions on sticky notes
• Share ideas and answers together in small groups

Independent Practice (small groups) and Student Assessment/Reflections:
Students will work on monitoring for meaning by recording the gist and asking questions by using their leveled genre text. Meet with small groups to check sticky notes and listen in on discussions to assess progress of goals.
MONITORING FOR MEANING KEY POINTS

- Good readers listen to their inner voice as they read
- Good readers summarize the gist of what they read
- Good readers stop to ask questions about what they read
- Good readers reread text when they are confused
Whole Class Lesson # 4: Standard 3.1

Monitoring for Meaning:
Listen to inner voice/Stop & jot to summarize and ask questions

Overview:
Readers monitor (check) for meaning by asking questions and summarizing

Materials
The Butterfly by Patricia Polacco
Leveled genre texts
Document camera/overhead projector
Sticky Notes

Connection (1-2 minutes)
In the past, we have talked about one of the kinds of thinking that good readers do while they are reading. We talked about how good readers listen to themselves as they say the words. They are always listening in to themselves to see if the words are making sense and if they understand what is happening in the story. We call this “monitoring for meaning.” Good readers who are “Monitoring for meaning” are always watching out and making sure about the meaning of the story. They are always asking themselves: “Does this sound right?” “Does this make sense?”

Direct Instruction (10-15 minutes)
I’m going to show you how good readers notice when their reading doesn’t make sense. As I read, listen to what I am thinking. When something doesn’t make sense I am going to STOP reading and really notice that. I will stop and jot down my thinking on the gist of what I’m reading and what questions I may have. Watch how I figure out what is happening in the story.

Model:
• Read aloud a section of text (1-2 pages)
• STOP and think aloud about gist of what I just read and any questions I may have
• Model recording gist and questions on sticky notes

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This is how _______________ and _________________ points of view are similar.
Whole Class Lesson # 5
Characters’ Point of View
PART 1 (Day 1- *2 Day Lesson)

Essential Standard 3.6

Overview:
Good readers recognize that stories can be told from different characters’ point of view (POV). Good readers develop the understanding that characters in a story can view the same event differently.

Materials:
Chart paper
Challenging picture book of teacher’s choice (we used the book *The Pain and the Great One* by Judy Blume) Also included is a list of other mentor texts that can be used to teach POV
Document camera/overhead
http://nancykeane.com/rl/279.htm website with picture books told in first person POV
Point of View Graphic Organizer
Paragraph Frame

Connection (1-2 minutes)
Today we are going to examine how different characters within a story can view the same events differently. Have you ever been in a situation where you and someone else felt differently about the same thing? Turn and talk with a partner. Have one or two students share with the class. Teacher may give an example if needed.

Direct Instruction (5-10 minutes)
Listen as I think aloud while I read the first half of this book. Notice the title. It’s called (*The Pain and the Great One* by Judy Blume) I’m thinking that this book is about a brother and a sister and maybe they feel differently about their relationship. We know that when a story is told from a character’s perspective, it gives the reader a different way to understand a text. Read the first half of the book. Model thinking about how the little girl in the story feels about her brother. This is her POV. Develop thinking bubble from the sister’s POV. Cite evidence from the text supporting the thought bubble. Ask questions such as: What is the sister’s attitude or point of view about the scene? What details from the text help me know this?

Guided/ Independent Practice (partners) 15-20 minutes
Now let’s try it together. I am going to read you the second half of this book. The second half is told from the brother’s point of view. As I am reading, with your partner, fill in information on the other half of your ‘think bubble’ graphic organizer from the brother’s point of view. When you are finished, we are going to fill in a paragraph frame organizing our thoughts on the point of view of the brother and sister. We will be using this strategy again tomorrow when we continue to look at POV. Model how to write class paragraph using paragraph frame that is included.
Whole Class Lesson # 5
Characters’ Point of View
PART 1 (Day 2- *2 Day Lesson)

Essential Standard 3.6

Overview:
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Materials:
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Leveled genre unit texts
Document camera/overhead
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Connection (1-2 minutes)

Today we are going to look at one scene from our mentor text. We are going to examine how two characters from this scene are feeling.

Direct Instruction (5-10 minutes)

Read aloud pg. 14, which starts with “Sevrine motioned Monique”. Discuss the picture and words within the text. Develop thinking bubbles from both of the characters points of view. Cite evidence from the text supporting the thought bubbles. Start with the main character’s perspective and move on to the other character. Ask questions such as: What is the main character’s attitude or point of view about the scene? What details from the text help me know this?

Guided/ Independent Practice (partners) 15-20 minutes

Now you will try this with a partner. Read pg. 24, which starts with “All of a sudden they looked up…” After you have read, fill in the ‘think bubbles’ graphic organizer from Monique’s point of view and from Sevrine’s point of view. Discuss with your partner how you would put this information into the paragraph frame. Teacher will monitor groups and have students share their ideas orally.

Give students a preselected page or pages from their leveled genre books. Students will individually develop thinking bubbles and convert this information into a paragraph frame.

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*Pop's Bridge* 3.5

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*The Little House* 3.8

*My Rotten Red-Headed Older Stepbrother* 3.9

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Whole Class Lesson # 5  
Characters’ Point of View  
PART 1 (Day 1- *2 Day Lesson) 

Essential Standard 3.6  

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Overview Statue of Liberty

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Classroom Resources:

Computer
Document camera
LCD projector
Related books on Immigration
Teacher made resources / ideas
Web sites
Paper / classroom materials

Instructional Plan:

Teachers may visit suggested web sites listed below and/or Safari Montage. Use the teacher work station computer / and/or LCD projector to view photo-graphs, videos, or take a virtual tour of the Statue of Liberty and/or Ellis Island.

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(Paste in browser and view sites)

Video, audio clips and photos
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Ellis Island Experience -

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Ellis Island Experience -

Student Assessment/Reflections:

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Instructional Strategies / Objectives

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- Complete vocabulary chart

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

shtetl (p.3)
commotion (p. 4)
Bubba (p. 4)
epidemic (p. 6)
synagogue (p.6)
Title: When Jessie Came Across the Sea
Week/Section: #1

Pages: 1-8

Summary of Important Events
Jessie, an orphan, and her grandmother are introduced. They live in a small farm house with few crops and even fewer possessions. Jessie goes to the rabbi for lessons during the day and returns home to read to her grandmother at night. While Jessie teaches her grandmother to read, grandmother insists that Jessie learn to sew. At the end of summer, the rabbi announces that he must choose one of the villagers to travel to America in his place. While many villagers plead their cases, the rabbi is saddened by how boastful each is. He decides to pray for help in making his choice.

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指导 (p.7)
Summary of Important Events

The Statue of Liberty has been sent to the United States from France and is being stored until money is raised to build a pedestal for Miss Liberty to stand on. Lily’s class is raising money to contribute to the pedestal fund. Lily’s mother feels that money should not be spent on the pedestal, but should go to help the poor people living in the city. Lily needs to try and find a way to earn money. Lily’s friend, Rachel, says she is French, because her name is French. Lily tells Rachel that her name is also French. The girls argue and Lily goes home and tells her mother. Lily’s mother tells her she is named after her mother’s sister who lives in Ireland and that Rachel is also not a French name.

Lily wakes up and decides to go out and look for work in her neighborhood. Lily asks Otto if she can sweep the street for him, but he tells her it is his job and he does have any money to pay her. Next she asks Mr. Kaminsky if she can walk his dog, but he also said no. Lily’s mother asked her to take soup to Mrs. Rosen who is sick. Mrs. Rosen asked Lily to go to the grocery store for her. On the way to the grocery store Lily saw her mother’s friend, Mrs. Murphy, who asked Lily to watch Sheila. Mrs. Murphy gave Lily a lollypop. When Lily returned with the groceries for Mrs. Rosen, she gave Lily two pennies. Lily realized it will be much harder to earn money than she thought.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives
- Participate in discussion to deepen understanding of text and to clarify historical fiction elements.
- Read and use sticky notes to relate context clues to vocabulary.
- Complete vocabulary chart

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group
pedestal (p. 2)
peddler (p. 4)
street sprinkler (p. 9)
cobblestones (p. 10)
Summary of Important Events

Carl Erik’s father realizes that there will be no food for his family during the long winter. Pappa tries to buy food but everyone has left their farms leaving nothing for him to buy. Then a letter comes from Uncle Axel in America. The letter says, *It is a new life here. Come! We will help you. Come to America!* Carl asks his Pappa if they can go to America. That night Carl could not sleep because he was too hungry and couldn’t stop thinking about the letter. He overheard his Mamma and Pappa talking in their bed. The next morning Pappa said, “There is not future for us here. We will go to America.”

Instructional Strategies / Objectives

- Participate in discussion to deepen understanding of text and to clarify historical fiction elements.

- Read and use sticky notes to relate context clues to vocabulary.

- Complete vocabulary chart

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

crops (p.8)
moss (p.11)
fierce (p. 14)
Summary of Important Events

The Cossacks (a member of a people of southern European Russian and adjacent parts of Asia noted as cavalry men especially during czarist times) came to town seeking to kill all of the Jews. Rachel and Grisha watched in fear from their attic window the great upheaval in the town. That night, their Grandfather declared the need for the family to go to America due to safety. The family sold most of their belongings, packed up, and said their good-byes. The family was frightened due to stories they’d heard of immigrants giving up or failing inspection at Ellis Island. In order to make a good impression, the family wanted Grisha to get rid of his ragged coat, but he refused because the lining was made of wool from his mother’s coat. The family sympathized with him, and allowed Grisha to keep his coat.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives

-Read and use sticky notes to mark places where they had to stop and monitor for meaning.

-Read and use sticky notes to record purposeful questions before, during and after reading.

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

Cossacks (p.10)
Title: When Jessie Came Across the Sea
Week/Section: #2

Pages: 9-18

Summary of Important Events
The rabbi visits Jessie and her grandmother the next morning to announce that “Jessie will go to America.” Jessie is frightened and does not want to go live with the rabbi’s sister, Kay, in New York City, but obeys the rabbi. Jessie and her grandmother prepare Jessie for her trip and she leaves on a very rainy day. Jessie takes the box which held her mother’s wedding band with her, but leaves the ring with grandmother for safekeeping. At first, the trip is stormy and Jessie is very unhappy, but the weather changes and Jessie begins to sew lace for other passengers to pass the time. Jessie eventually meets and befriends Lou.

Instructional Strategies/Objectives

- Read and use sticky notes to mark places where they had to stop and monitor for meaning.

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Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

channel (p.11)

pitied (p.14)

tattered (p.16)
Summary of Important Events

Lily wakes up Sunday morning and goes to church with her mother and grandmother. Two ladies in the pew in front of Lily wore hats which blocked her view. Lily thinks that she is glad Miss Liberty does not wear a big hat. Miss Liberty’s crown is so much better. Lily then gets an idea, what if she could make crowns like the one Miss Liberty wears and sell them to earn money toward the pedestal. Lily discusses this with her Grandma and she agrees to help Lily design the crown. Lily, Mama, and Grandma all make crowns. Lily writes a poem and makes a sign advertising her crowns.

Papa sets up a shelf for the crowns on wood planks outside the house. Lily sits outside her house with a crown on her head and a little mirror so perspective buyers can see how they will look with a crown. Lily sells some of the crowns to her neighbors, but gives a crown to her friend Rachel. Rachel tells Lily that she is not French. Lily sells all her crowns by 5:00 P.M.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives

- Read and use sticky notes to mark places where they had to stop and monitor for meaning.
- Read and use sticky notes to record purposeful questions before, during and after reading.

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

biscuits (p. 16)
impatiently (p. 17)
buckram (p. 18)
extended (p. 21)
plank (p. 25)
impulsively (p. 28)
Bonjour (p. 28)
perched (p. 30)
Title: The Long Way to a New Land
Week/Section: # 2

Pages: 18-29

Summary of Important Events
Mamma and Pappa work to get ready for their journey to America. They see many other emigrants along the way. After three days of travel they reach the seaport city of Gothenburg. Pappa sells their cart and horses to buy their tickets. The boat would leave the next day, goodbye Sweden.

Instructional Strategies/Objectives

- Read and use sticky notes to mark places where they had to stop and monitor for meaning.

- Read and use sticky notes to record purposeful questions before, during and after reading.

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

trunk (p.19)

farmor (p.22)

emigrants (p. 24)

inns (p. 25)

seaport (p. 27)

lumber (p.28)

cattle (p. 28)
Summary of Important Events

Finally, Rachel, Grisha, and their family left their homeland of Russia for America. They traveled by wagon, train, and spent fourteen days on a ship. Rachel and Grisha stayed busy by telling stories and sketching pictures until they reached Ellis Island. There were thousands of people around them as the family worried if they would pass the inspection, be sent back to Russia, or would be separated forever. Rachel and Grisha continued their storytelling until Rachel fell on Grisha and he fell tumbled to the floor and scratched his eye on a basket’s lid. By time the inspector lifted his eye with a button-hook, his eye was very red and irritated. The doctor took a quick look and marked an “E” in chalk on the back of Grisha’s ragged coat. The family was panicking, realizing that Grisha would be deported back to Russia. Rachel’s father tried to explain that Grisha had scratched his eye, but there was no interpreter.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives

- Read and make connections to text, record connections on sticky notes.
- Identify point of view in the story.
- Rewrite a section of the story in first person.

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

din (p. 19)
interpreter (p. 22)
Title: When Jessie Came Across the Sea
Week/ Section: # 3

Pages: 19-30

Summary of Important Events
Although she is amazed by the sights of New York Harbor, Jessie misses her grandmother. Jessie arrives at Ellis Island, where she waits in line and goes through many inspections. Cousin Kay meets Jessie and takes her to her home. Jessie realizes that she has forgotten to say goodbye to Lou. Jessie begins working in Kay’s dress shop and saving her coins. One day, Jessie pins some lace to a plain white dress; Cousin Kay and a young bride-to-be decide that the dress is now perfect for a wedding. Soon, Kay’s dress shop is full of women looking for wedding dresses made with Jessie’s lace. Kay decides that Jessie must learn to read and write English. For the next 3 years, Jessie studies English and sews lace. One wintry day in the park, Jessie meets Lou. The two meet on the park bench each Sunday for the next few weeks.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives

- Participate in discussion to deepen understanding of text and to clarify historical fiction elements.

- Read and use sticky notes to further discussion

- Make predictions about what will happen next

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

inspections (p.21)

trolleys (p.23)

browsing (p.26)
Summary of Important Events
On Monday Lily walks to school with the money she collected for Miss Liberty in a purse pinned to her dress. When Lily arrived at the front gate of her school, she sees Lena standing there crying. Lena tells Lily that she is crying because she does not have any money for the pedestal fund. Lily gives money to Lena to donate to the pedestal fund. Lily gives the money to her teacher who is surprised Lily has so much money. Lily told Mrs. Pearson, her teacher, how her family made crowns to sell. Mrs. Pearson said the class would write a letter to Mr. Pulitzer, who owns the newspaper, telling how the children are raising money and how Lily and her family made the crowns. Mrs. Pearson delivers a sample crown to the newspaper with the letter. Lily tells her family that night how she gave some money to Lena. Mama is still not interested in Miss Liberty.

The ship arrives from France with Miss Liberty packed into 213 crates. It was a rough voyage that took four weeks. Lily makes a crown for her and Rachel to wear to the celebration. Papa took Lily and Rachel to the dock where people were waiting for the ship to arrive. There were bands playing and people cheering.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives
- Read and make connections to text, record connections on sticky notes.
- Identify point of view in the story.
- Rewrite a section of the story in first person.

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

**admiringly** (p. 31)
**contributions** (p. 36)
**companion** (p. 42)
**accordion** (p. 45)
The ship they boarded for England was crowded, smelly, dark and noisy. Pappa found a place for them to sleep on the floor near the engine room. Three days later they arrived in England from there they would take the train to Liverpool. The Liverpool port was crowded with Swedish families and other emigrants speaking different languages. Pappa found their bunks and Mamma stuffed the mattresses and laid out the bedding. When the ship was loaded and ready there was a roar of steam and a clang of bells, they were on their way.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives

- Read and make connections to text, record connections on sticky notes.
- Identify point of view in the story.
- Rewrite a section of the story in first person.

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

docked (p. 32)

meadows (p.34)

vaccinations (p. 38)

stewards (p.43)
Title: The Memory Coat
Week/Section: # 4
Pages: 23-26

Summary of Important Events

Rachel promised Grisha that she wouldn’t let him return to Russia. Suddenly, Rachel pulled off Grisha’s coat and turned it inside out showing the beautiful wool from his mother’s coat. The “E” mark was now gone, so they walked Grisha to another line to be inspected again. The new doctor understood Yiddish and was much kinder. The doctor recognized that all Grisha had just a scratch, so Grisha passed through the inspection with the rest of the family. The family celebrated Rachel’s brilliance and the beautiful memory coat that Grisha kept and later passed on to his future generations, along with the memory of his mother’s love and the family’s journey to America.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives

- Complete assessment

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

None
Title: When Jessie Came Across the Sea
Week/Section: #4

Pages: 31-36

Summary of Important Events
Jessie continues to write to her grandmother, telling her about her special friend, Lou. On the night that Jessie meets Lou’s family, he proposes to her. Jessie promises “soon.” Jessie continues sewing and saving money. Eventually, there are enough coins in Jessie’s jar to buy a ticket to America. One “breezy” day, a letter comes from grandmother, in her own handwriting, saying that she is on her way to America. Grandmother arrives on a stormy day (just like the day Jessie left) and brings Jessie her mother’s wedding band for Jessie and Lou’s upcoming wedding.

Instructional Strategies/Objectives
-Complete assessment

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group
None
Lily came home after the celebration and told her Mama all about it. Lily went outside and told all the neighbors about the celebration at the ship. Some of the neighbors said that they would contribute to the pedestal fund. Also, a wagon stopped and asked Lily if she was the little girl selling the crowns. Lily said she was out of crowns, but would make more. Grandma brought the newspaper home and in the paper was a picture of the crown and the letter Lily’s class sent to Mr. Pulitzer. Grandma tells Lily she will help her make more crowns.

The big celebration to honor Miss Liberty’s arrival from France was on June 19, 1885. A month later all the money needed to complete the pedestal had been raised. Mr. Pulitzer, the publisher of the World newspaper promised to print in his newspaper the name of everyone who donated to the pedestal fund. On October 28, 1886 Liberty Enlightening the World was ready. On that day her face was covered by a gigantic French flag. After the statue was presented to the United States, Mr. Bartholdi, the sculptor, pulled the cord and the statue was unveiled. Lily and her family stood at Battery Park watching the ceremony.

Instructional Strategies / Objectives

-Complete assessment

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

interrupted (p. 49)
enlightening (p.54,58)
sculptor (p.58)
THE LONG WAY TO A NEW LAND
WEEKLY OVERVIEW

Title: The Long Way to a New Land
Week/Section: # 4

Pages: 44-63

Summary of Important Events

The next part of the journey was not so smooth. While on the ship all of the emigrants had to share food and living space. There was a storm that raged on for three days. The emigrants were locked in the ship, Momma and Jonas had become ill and someone on the ship had died. After the storm was over the crew unlocked the hatches and they were allowed back on deck. Pappa met a man who showed him a little book called Handbook for the Emigrant. Everyday Carl and Pappa read from the book and memorized some English phrases.

On the twelfth day they reached the New York coast. Everyone rushed to get off of the boat. They stood in line and had their baggage checked and their health examinations. When they reached the front of the line the men checked Pappa’s papers and asked him many questions. Finally it was over. Carl looked around the large room. He saw the long lines of emigrants, he heard their many languages and he tasted the fresh wheat bread and the sweet butter of his new land. As Carl leaned over to his Pappa he whispered, “Now we are arrived.”

Instructional Strategies/Objectives

- Complete assessment

Vocabulary to be Addressed in Small Group

hatch (p.49)
Name: _________________________________

Historical Fiction Genre Unit Optional Formative Assessment

Please complete the story map below using the information from the historical fiction book that you read.

Title:

Characters:

Setting: When / Where

Problem:

Story Events:

Solution:
**Title:** The Memory Coat

**Characters:**
- Grisha
- Rachel
- Rachel’s Parents
- Grandparents
- Inspector

**Setting: When / Where**
- When: Long Ago
- Where: Russia
  - Shtetl (town)
  - New York / Ellis Island

**Problem:**
- The Cossacks (soldiers) came into town and were killing the Jews. Rachel’s family fled to America for safety. Grisha’s eye got injured at Ellis Island and is about to be sent back to Russia.

**Story Events:**
- Grisha has a tattered coat made by his Mother before she died
- The family fled to America for safety.
- Grisha got an “E” in chalk on his coat and may be sent back to Russia so Rachel turns the coat inside out.

**Solution:**
- The family passes inspection, stays in America, and tells the story of Grisha’s Memory Coat for many years.
Title: When Jessie Came Across the Sea

Characters:
- Jessie
- Grandmother
- Rabbi
- Lou
- Cousin Kay
- Emily & Rachel (Brides)

Setting: When / Where
- When: Long Ago
- Where: Jessie’s Village
  - New York City

Problem:
- Jessie misses her Grandmother and has a hard time in New York.

Story Events:
- Rabbi chooses Jessie to go to America.
- Jessie meets Lou on the ship.
- 2 Brides come to Cousin Kay’s shop and wants Jessie’s lace and dresses
- Jessie goes to school to learn English.

Solution:
- Jessie saves money from lace-making to bring Grandmother to America. Lou and Jessie meet again in Central Park and eventually get engaged.
Title: Lily and Miss Liberty

Characters:
- Lily
- Lily’s Mom
- Lily’s Grandmom
- Rachel
- Lily’s Dad

Setting: When / Where
- When: 1885
- Where: New York

Problem:
- The statue of Liberty has arrive, but there is no money to pay for the pedestal
- Lily needs to think of a way to raise money, because the children are bringing their donations to school and she doesn’t want to feel left out.

Story Events:
- Lily tries to earn money by helping the neighbors.
- Lily decides she can make Liberty crowns and sell them for the Pedestal Fund.
- Lily makes and sells crowns and earns money.

Solution:
- Enough money was raised to complete the pedestal.
- The Statute of Liberty was then formally presented to the United States by France.
**Title:** The Long Way to a New Land

**Characters:**
- Carl Erik
- Jonas
- Father
- Mamma

**Setting:**
- **When:** 1868
- **Where:** Sweden

**Problem:**
- There was no rain in the summer. There will be no food for the winter.

**Story Events:**
- Family prepares for journey to America
- Traveled 3 days by cart to Gothenburg
- Traveled 3 days by boat to England
- Took a train to Liverpool (England)
- Took ship to America

**Solution:**
- They arrived in America with the dream of a better life.
Historical Fiction Unit Optional Formative Assessment

Name____________________________________________ Date__________________

Please answer each of the following open-ended questions using your best writing. Each question is worth 4 points.

1. What is historical fiction?

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2. We have been discussing immigration and why different groups of people moved to America. Explain the part that immigration played in the text that you read (What did immigration have to do with your story?)

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3. Find a place in your text where you needed to stop and re-read to help you understand. Write down the page number and tell what you were thinking as you monitored for meaning.

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Now find another place in your text where you were able to visualize (create a movie in your mind) to help you understand what you read. Please write down the page number and tell about your visualization.

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4. Write down 3 questions that you had while reading, or after finishing, the text.

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5. List 2 connections that you made while reading your book.

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6. Was your story told from the First Person Point of View or Third Person Point of View? Using a complete sentence, tell how you know.

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EXTRA CREDIT

Write down 3 facts that you learned about The Statue of Liberty.

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Historical Fiction Unit Optional Formative Assessment
The Long Way to a New Land

Name ____________________________________ Date __________________

Please answer each of the following open-ended questions using your best writing. Each question is worth 4 points.

1. What is historical fiction?

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2. We have been discussing immigration and why different groups of people moved to America. Who was immigrating in the story? Why were they immigrating?

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3. Find a place in your text where you needed to stop and re-read to help you understand. Write down the page number and tell what you were thinking as you monitored for meaning.

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4. Write down 2 questions that you had while reading, or after finishing, the text.
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5. List 1 connection that you made while reading your book.
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6. Was your story told from the first person point of view. Using a complete sentence, tell how you know.

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Answer Key
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1. Historical fiction is a work of fiction that relates to a specific time period in history. Although the characters are fictional, the events they experienced and the problems they faced are based on actual events in history such as: Immigration to America, The Pilgrims, The Holocaust, and the Revolutionary War. While the story elements are not factual, these stories are meant to give children a better understanding of what life might have been like during that period in history.

2. Sample answer: In the story *The Long Way to a New Land* Carl Erik and his family were immigrating to America from Sweden. They immigrated because there was no rain in the summer so their crops did not grow which meant there would be no food for the winter.

3. Answers will vary

4. Answers will vary

5. Answers will vary

6. My story was told from the third person point of view. This book is told by someone outside the story. The words “I”, “we” or “us” are not used in the story. The characters are spoken about.

EXTRA CREDIT

Some facts may include but are not limited to:

- It was a gift from France to the United States
- Symbol of freedom
- Located on Ellis Island
Passing the inspection at Ellis Island was very scary for Rachel, Grisha, and their family. They thought Grisha would be sent back to Russia due to his very red eye or his very ragged coat.

- Explain how Grisha or Rachel felt when thinking Grisha could not join the family in America.

- Would you have gotten rid of your memory coat in order to pass the inspection and live in America? Explain why or why not.

Use details from the story to support your response.
WHEN JESSIE CAME ACROSS THE SEA
Open ended questions

Directions: Read the following open-ended questions and use information from the story and your own ideas to support your responses. Write your responses on a separate piece of paper.

Throughout the story, Jessie experiences many different emotions (such as fear, sadness, excitement, happiness.)

- Describe an emotion that Jessie experienced and explain what made her feel that way.
- Describe a time when you experienced a similar emotion. What made you feel that way?

Use details from the story to support your response.
Lily and Miss Liberty
Open ended questions

Directions: Read the following open-ended questions and use information from the story and your own ideas to support your responses. Write your responses on a separate piece of paper.

Lily and her classmates were trying to raise money to help pay for the pedestal for the Statue of Liberty to stand on.

- What were some of the things the children did to raise money?
- If you were raising money for the pedestal, tell how you would raise the money.

Use details from the story to support your response.

Lily and Miss Liberty
Open ended questions

Directions: Read the following open-ended questions and use information from the story and your own ideas to support your responses. Write your responses on a separate piece of paper.

Lily and her classmates were trying to raise money to help pay for the pedestal for the Statue of Liberty to stand on.

- What were some of the things the children did to raise money?
- If you were raising money for the pedestal, tell how you would raise the money.

Use details from the story to support your response.
THE LONG WAY TO A NEW LAND
Open ended questions

Directions: Read the following open-ended questions and use information from the story and your own ideas to support your responses. Write your responses on a separate piece of paper.

Life in Sweden was becoming very difficult for Carl Erik and his family. They have decided to leave their homeland and start a new life in America.

- Explain how the family prepared for their journey.
- Tell how you would feel if your family decided to move to a new country.

Use details from the story to support your response.
# Open-Ended Scoring Rubric

For Reading, Listening, and Viewing

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|        | • May synthesize the story but specific text reference may only be implied  
|        | • Provides a simple but accurate explanation  
|        | • Makes relevant use of text to support or explain  
|        | • Draws appropriate conclusions that may be elaborated |
| **2**  | A student at this score point:  
|        | • Provides some text reference which may be incorrect or provides a general explanation that omits specific links to the text  
|        | • May focus on irrelevant or minor details  
|        | • May simply retell the story or passage  
|        | • May imply story details by relating life experiences, by describing story elements, or by identifying concepts in the passage |
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|        | • Misinterprets the task or fails to address part of the task  
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|        | • Completely misinterprets the task  
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