

Component:	English Language Arts
Grade Level:	3 rd Grade
Lesson Title:	Synonym Slap Down
Focus:	Vocabulary, Clarifying, and Possessive Pronouns

Materials:

Activity at end f lesson plan

Synonym Cards from Day 1

White boards and pens and/or crayons

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Speed Reading: Have students form a circle. Number them of, 1, 2, 1, 2, 1, 2 and so forth. Having the students stay in the circle, have the twos move to stand in front of the person who said "1" on his/her left. Give each student an opportunity to read aloud to his/her partner for 1 minute. Have one of the circles move and repeat the process. Have the other circle move and repeat for the third time.

Vocabulary

Vocabulary development is a huge part of becoming proficient in reading. This section will build both academic vocabulary and important text vocabulary.

During the next 11 days, students will be working on words, what the words mean, and synonym pairs. Each of the games will have students utilize the games in different ways. At the end of the 11 days, students will be able to pair synonyms and understand the meaning of each. The activities will include Synonym Cards—Four Decks, Sentence Cards, and several game boards.

Synonym Slap Down

You will use all four decks for this game—select all cards numbered 1 – 10.

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into groups of 4.
- 2. Mix all 40 cards together, shuffle and deal each person 4 cards.
- 3. Player do NOT show their cards to the other players.
- 4. The object of the game is to get all four cards that are synonyms for each other. **Example**: laugh, giggle, chuckle, tee hee.
- 5. Each player selects one card (that he/she does not want) and put it face down in front of them.
- 6. When every player has card in front of them, players pass the card one person to the left.
- 7. Players pick up the card and draw another card (now they have 5 in their hand).
- 8. Players decide which card is unwanted and the process continues until all cards have been selected.
- 9. As players get four synonyms, they place them down in front of them.
- 10. The player with them most matches wins.

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Clarifying:

Individual Show-Off: Before class, use several of the interesting words in a sentence in the same way that is used in the material. Write the sentences on a sentence strip. Students choose a sentence from the container. The student acts out the word as it is used in the sentence. For example, if the word is mariachi, the student might pretend he is a member of a Mariachi Band playing the trumpet.

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Possessive Pronouns

A possessive pronoun shows ownership. Singular possessive pronouns are: my, mine, your, yours, his, her, hers, its. Plural possessive pronouns are: our, ours, your, yours, their, theirs.

Possessive Pronouns

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into trios.
- 2. Give each trio a white board and a set of Possessive Pronoun Cards.
- 3. Have students write an original sentence on the white board with each of the possessive pronouns.

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3rd Grade Possessive Pronouns

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yours	his	her
hers	its	our
ours	your	yours
their	theirs	



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Lesson Title:	Synonyms In Alphabetical Order
Focus:	Vocabulary, Questioning and Adjectives (What Kind?)

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Slow Reading: Utilize this process when you want students to work on accuracy. By doing slow-motion reading, students really look at each and every word becoming certain of each word, pronouncing it correctly. This makes the words more recognizable when students are reading quickly.

Vocabulary

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This activity will take all four decks of synonym cards.

Synonyms in Alphabetical Order Directions:

- 1. Give each student one deck of synonym cards and a white board and pen/crayon.
- 2. Students is to take deck of cards and assemble them in alphabetical order.
- 3. Student then writes the words on his/her white board.
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Questioning:

Question and Connection: Students form groups of four or five. Student read the information. Students develop Question and Connect Cards for what they have read. The group then finds another group and trades questions. Students answer the other team's questions, going back and forth.

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one of four questions:

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- wild animal
- caramel candy
- cold soda

What Kind?

Directions:

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3rd Grade Adjectives—What Kind?

The house is on the corner.	The pony kicked the ball.	The pen doesn't work.	The light shone in the window.
The pumpkin is round and orange.	The citizens called home.	The ice was dripping.	Eric was not able to follow.
The girl wore a yellow dress.	Our girl was too short.	The pilot was inexperienced.	The building touched the sky.
The dog is barking.	The cat is meowing.	The pig is oinking.	The man was wandering along.
The leaves are falling.	The river is beautiful.	The ground is soft to the touch.	The hamster is brown and white.
The beard is scratchy.	The girl picked roses.	The boy made me laugh.	The man scared the boy.
The computer did not work.	The mouse ran quickly.	The woman was a great singer.	The majorette twirled her baton.



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Independent Timed Reading: Have students work in pairs and use a three minute egg timer or look at the clock to keep time. As the first student begins to read the passage, the partner either turns over the egg timer or begins watching the clock. At the end of 2 minutes (if students are watching a clock, or three minutes is using the egg timer, the partner calls "Stop" and the number of words are counted. Process is repeated for the other students. Students record the number of words read on their reading chart

Vocabulary

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Review how to play this game with the students. Ask them for strategies that they used to help them win.

Pictionary

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Silly Questions: Partner students to create silly questions from the interesting words that they have selected. Ask students to join two words, in other words make a silly question or sentence utilizing two of the words. For example, if the words are adder, hermit, waterfall, bat, cave, and bridge, a silly sentence/questions would be, "Can an adder be a hermit? Will a bat fly through a waterfall? Is there a cave under the bridge?

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- latter days

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ball is flat.	man was walking with a cane?	shirt is not clean.	I want pair of pants.
towels smell funny.	shoes don't match.	I want box removed.	I want things in the trash.
clock needs to be adjusted.	clothes must be folded.	The dog is sleeping	place is a happy place.
are the times than scare me.	man slipped and fell.	The President was popular.	The coach was not accepted.
The meat is pork.	tomatoes are rotten.	She gave it to the man.	The winner is not here now.
The decision affected everyone.	" is not fair," she shouted.	candy bars are delicious.	book is very funny.
house is lived in.	book is only for young children.	rules are for everyone.	The answer is more informative.



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Three Words: share with students the topic for the day. Ask students to think about what they think will be shared in the materials that they will read. Ask a student to read the title

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of the material. Choose one word from the title. Write that word on the board or a piece of chart paper. Ask students to look at the picture. Choose one word that the picture brings to mind and write that word on the board. Finally, Give students a copy of the text and ask them to randomly select one word from the text and write that one on the board as well. The students will then work in pairs and using those three words will write a description of what they believe the story will be about.

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- man's sodas

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The animals were quiet.	The soda was cold.	watch was broken.	The toys were scattered
doll is nice and clean.	football is on the lawn.	He gave watch to him.	bird is sitting on his shoulder.
horse is running fast.	pony pranced away.	Has book been returned?	Do we have check ready for him?
pen doesn't have any ink.	The trunk is long.	The costume is red and yellow.	The rope is twirling.
giraffe is pink and white.	The tent is broken down.	glass is empty.	window is covered with snow.
purse is green and brown.	suit fits him perfectly.	wig is very dusty.	sweater is unraveling.
The flowers were beautiful.	statue is broken.	necklace is beaded.	jacket is too small.



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to the next level.

Fluency Activity of the Day

Partner Share: Partner two students that are working on the same passage. Have them read aloud to each other, trading off each sentence. They can then provide feedback to one another on rate, phrasing, and expression.

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Synonym Slap Down

You will use all four decks for this game—select all cards numbered 1 – 10.

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into groups of 4.
- 2. Mix all 40 cards together, shuffle and deal each person 4 cards.
- 3. Player do NOT show their cards to the other players.
- 4. The object of the game is to get all four cards that are synonyms for each other. **Example**: laugh, giggle, chuckle, tee hee.
- 5. Each player selects one card (that he/she does not want) and put it face down in front of them.
- 6. When every player has card in front of them, players pass the card one person to the left
- 7. Players pick up the card and draw another card (now they have 5 in their hand).
- 8. Players decide which card is unwanted and the process continues until all cards have been selected.
- 9. As players get four synonyms, they place them down in front of them.
- 10. The player with them most matches wins.

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Activity

Predicting

One-Minute Predictions: Provide students pairs with a library book (one that they have not read). Give them one minute to make a prediction about the story based on the title, front and back covers, and illustrations. Students share their predictions with another pair. Repeat this with two additional pairings.

Conventions

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Pronouns

A pronoun can take the place of a noun. Singular subject pronouns are: I, you, he, she, it. Plural subject pronouns are: we, you and they

Examples:

Jill has a cat.—She has a cat.

Jorge and Fred play soccer.—They play soccer.

Pronouns

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into trios.
- 2. Give each trio a game board, a set of Pronoun Sentence Cards, and three different markers.
- 3. The object of the game is to get three in a row.
- 4. Player 1 draws a Pronoun Sentence Card and selects the pronoun that can take the place of the underlined word or words, and marks it with his/her marker.
- 5. Player 2 does the same.
- 6. It is important that the players use some strategy to keep the other player from getting three in a row horizontally, vertically, or diagonally.
- 7. Player 3 then continues.
- 8. Game is over when someone has 3 in a row or all of the Pronoun Sentence Cards are used.

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Closing

Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
- Did we achieve our objectives?

Debrief

LBNT

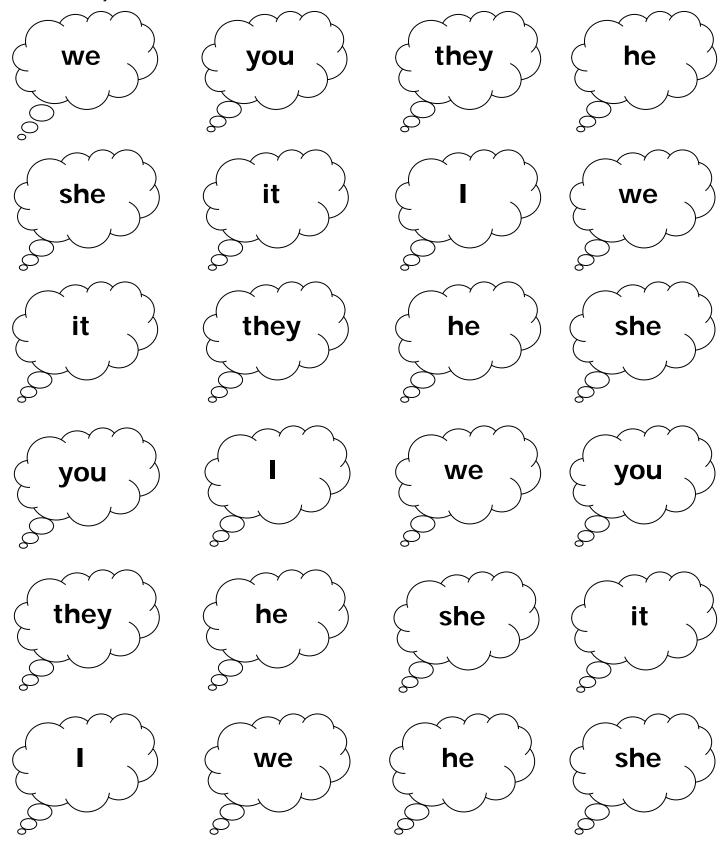
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3rd Grade—Subject Pronouns Game Board





3rd Grade Subject Pronoun Sentence Cards

John and Mark are going	<u>John</u> is fixing the window.	The purse was lost in the flood.	Jill and I are going to the store.
Judy did not like the new perfume.	I will hand the paper to (the person right there.)	Jo can't go with mewill go by myself.	Linda and Ann are wearing the same hat.
Joe ran the race the quickest.	Mona did not want to go later.	The <u>dog</u> was barking loudly at the cat.	Joe gives (the person right there) a book.
Millie and Moe found the cookies.	Lily hugged me hugged her back.	Ron and I nearly finished.	Mel drove his car to the show.
Mother was able to find the scissors.	My cat is not very friendly.	Did he give (person right there) a ticket?	Fred and George fell off the ladder.
Give that to me will take it to her.	Shelly and I are neighbors.	Roy lost his bike.	Lori is giving that away.



The game is nearly over.	Did (person right there) raise your hand?	Lance and Jack are brothers.	He thanked me said, "You're welcome."



Component:	English Language Arts
Grade Level:	3 rd Grade
Lesson Title:	Concentration and I Wonder
Focus:	Vocabulary, Questioning, and Singular and Plural Nouns

Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan

Synonym Cards from day one

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

State the objective

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- Practice Reciprocal Teaching (predicting, clarifying, questioning, and summarizing).
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Fluency Activity of the Day

Paired Readings: Partner students together. One partner times the other partner reading a passage. At the end of one minute, the partner says "Stop" and circles the last word the reader has read. The partners switch rolls. Complete this process three times.

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Concentration

Directions:

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Activity

Questioning:

I Wonder: Have the students read the information with a partner. Students should then ask themselves the question, "I wonder what I would do if this happened to me?" For example, the story is the tortoise and the Hare. The hare seems to be winning the race. I wonder what I would do if I were the tortoise? I wonder what I would do if I were the hare? I wonder how I would feel if the hare was making fun of me? I wonder....

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Singular and Plural Nouns

A singular noun names one person, place or thing, a plural noun names more than one person, more than one place, or more than one thing. **Examples:** singular—noodle plural—noodles

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Singular and Plural Nouns

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a deck of sentence cards, white board and pens/crayons.
- 3. On the white board, students should create two columns, labeling 1 column **Singular** and the second column, **Plural**.
- 4. Working together, students select a sentence card and determine if the noun is singular or plural.
- 5. Students then write the noun on the white board under the correct column.

Closing

Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
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Debrief

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- Share 3 things you like about today's lesson.
- Share 2 questions you have that were not answered.
- Share 1 thing that you will use tomorrow that you practiced today.

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3rd Grade Singular and Plural Nouns

The <u>umbrella</u> is green.	The <u>canopies</u> are red and white striped	The <u>trophies</u> are 12 inches tall.	Mr. Jones was a good neighbor.
The <u>bracelet</u> was mailed to her yesterday.	The ships were sailing out of the harbor.	She doesn't know the answer.	They are my best friends.
The girl is baking cookies.	The cows are all black and white.	The <u>duck</u> quacked loudly.	Does he have all of the playing cards?
I will visit the <u>camp</u> tomorrow.	He is not a genius , that's for sure.	I am not going <u>home</u> after the party.	We are working on four projects together.
The <u>noodles</u> in the bowl are soft.	Five of the <u>pigs</u> are pink.	Picture <u>frames</u> are on the wall.	My dog is barking loudly.
Did you go to the store yesterday?	Please cook only one bean.	The <u>pencils</u> are overflowing in the box.	The single f <u>lower</u> was breathtaking.
Have you been on the cargo ship?	The <u>ladies</u> waved good- by.	What <u>day</u> of the week is it?	Nine <u>mothers</u> were at the park.



Component:	English Language Arts
Grade Level:	3 rd Grade
Lesson Title:	Irregular Plural Nouns and Concentration
Focus:	Vocabulary, Summarizing, and Irregular Plural Verbs

Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan

Synonym Cards from Day 1

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

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Fluency Activity of the Day

All Read: During this activity, all of the students read aloud at the same time. Even if the students are not on the same passage, reading aloud will help them slow down and really practice each word. While students are reading, walk around. Touch a student on the shoulder to indicate that they should begin reading aloud so you can hear them.

Vocabulary

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Concentration

Directions:

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Activity

Summarizing:

10 or Less: Ask students to summarize in ten words or less the material that they have read. They can answer questions like, "what was the best part of what you read? What didn't you like about what you read? What could make the material better? In what way

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Conventions

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Irregular Plural Nouns

In most cases, when you want a singular noun to become a plural noun, you simply add "s" or "es". Some nouns are irregular and can be the same whether they are singular or plural. **Example**: one fish, many fish; one sheep, many sheep.

Some plural nouns take a different form than the noun in the singular form. **Example**: child-children, mouse-mice

Irregular Plural Nouns

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a white board, pens/crayons, and a deck of sentence cards.
- 3. Label the white board in two columns: Regular and Irregular and place the white board between the students.
- 4. Together, students select a sentence card and determine if the plural is regular or irregular.
- 5. They place the sentence card in the correct column.
- 6. Game is over when all sentence cards have been placed.

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Closing

Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
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Debrief

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- **D**: Describe one of the ELA activities that we did today.
- **I**: Interpret that activity to your own experience and your own school work.
- **G**: Generalize how the information you learned today will help you in school tomorrow and in your life.
- **A:** Make a commitment to apply the learning within the next 48 hours.

Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

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3rd Grade—Irregular Plural Nouns

She had nine <u>dresses</u> in her closet.	The three little <u>pigs</u> were happy at home.	The <u>umbrellas</u> are blue and white.	The <u>trophies</u> are silver and gold.
The <u>beaches</u> are across from her house.	How many <u>dogs</u> do you have?	He took a nap underneath the trees.	There are two <u>schools</u> in the neighborhood.
The <u>mothers</u> were disappointed.	The <u>shadows</u> fell along the road.	He will give you twenty guesses.	The <u>computers</u> in the lab are all broken.
My best <u>friends</u> are Judy and Mark.	The <u>kittens</u> all looked like their mother.	Ten <u>bison</u> ran across the highway.	Do the <u>deer</u> travel north in the winter?
The sheep are resting in the meadow.	The people have purchased tickets.	The <u>mice</u> were squeaking loudly.	The <u>moose</u> were moving slowly.
The <u>geese</u> were flying in a V.	I have lost three <u>teeth</u> .	I have blisters on both feet.	The <u>children</u> were laughing quietly.
We needed all of the dice to play the game.	The <u>fish</u> were swimming in schools.	The <u>swine</u> are not soft and furry.	The <u>data</u> are not accurate.



Component:	English Language Arts
Grade Level:	3 rd Grade
Lesson Title:	Somebody Wanted and Alphabetical Order
Focus:	Vocabulary, Summarizing, and Adjectives

Materials:

Activities at end of lesson plan

Synonym Cards from Day 1

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Chunk Reading: This process helps youth to read more quickly by seeing phrases or groups of words, instead of reading "word by word". For example, look at the following two sentences:

"Once upon a time there was a prince who wanted to marry a princess; but she would have to be a real princess. He travelled all over the world to find one, but nowhere could he get what he wanted."

Vocabulary

Vocabulary development is a huge part of becoming proficient in reading. This section will build both academic vocabulary and important text vocabulary.

This activity will take all four decks of synonym cards. Be sure that students have a different deck of cards than they had yesterday.

Synonyms in Alphabetical Order Directions:

- 1. Give each student one deck of synonym cards and a white board and pen/crayon.
- 2. Student is to take deck of cards and assemble them in alphabetical order.
- 3. Student then writes the words on his/her white board.
- 4. Students trade white boards to determine if the list is correct.

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Activity

Summarizing:

Somebody/Wanted? But? So: This is a good way to summarize a story. Provide students with a white board or a piece of paper. Fold the paper into fourths. Write the headings in each square: 1st Square: somebody (Identify the character), 2nd Square: Wanted (Describe the character's goal), 3rd Square: But (Describe the conflict or the problem), 4th Square: So (Describe the resolution of the conflict.)

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Adjectives—How Many?

Adjectives describe (or modify) a noun (person, place or thing). An adjective can answer one of four questions:

- 1. What kind?
- 2. How Many"
- 3. Whose"
- 4. Which?

Today we are going to look at adjectives that answer the question how many. **Examples:**

- one animal
- fifteen candy bars
- many sodas

How Many?

Directions:

- Divide students into trios.
- 2. Give each trio a deck of sentence cards, dice and a white board with pen/crayons.
- 3. Player 1 draws a sentence card and reads it.
- 4. Player then fills in the blank with an adjective that tells How Many.
- 5. If other two players agree, player rolls the die and records the number of points (if it is a second, third, etc. turn, he/she adds the total to the previous total.
- 6. Game is over after each player has had 10 turns.
- 7. Player with the most points wins.

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Closing

Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
- Did we achieve our objectives?

Debrief

LBNT

Have students share what they like best about today's ELA activities and list that under the heading: LB or Liked Best Have students share what they would want more of next time during the ELA activities and list that under the heading of NT or Next Time.

Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

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3rd Grade Adjectives—How Many?

The balls bounced high.	citizens stood in the cold.	cows were at the trough.	Only cats were kept by the man.
men were on the trapeze.	It was of his favorite poems.	of them had blue hair.	than one finished the race.
of the players returned.	There are fountains in a row.	Did she bring glasses of water?	He only had chances to get it.
I want to pick flowers.	Can you see stars?	players made up the soccer team.	She had loose teeth right now.
of them were hungry and tired.	geese flew through the air.	The dog made holes in the yard.	Have you run in marathons?
The phone rang times.	The wolf howled at the moon times.	She had good ideas.	The ponies pranced.
soldiers came home.	He has pencils.	The puzzle had pieces.	The sleigh was pulled by reindeers.



Component:	English Language Arts
Grade Level:	3 rd Grade
Lesson Title:	VOCAB and Proper Nouns
Focus:	Vocabulary, Clarifying, and Proper Nouns

Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan (Use decks of Synonym Cards from yesterday)

White boards and pens and/or crayons

Opening

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Modeled Reading: Read the Fluency Passage to the student so she or he can hear fluent reading. Have the student read the passage. If the student gets stuck on a word, read the word and have her or him repeat it. Repeated one-on-one readings will increase speed, accuracy, smoothness and expression. (You can pair more proficient readers with less proficient ones).

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Review how to play this game with the students. Ask them for strategies that they used to help them win.

VOCAB

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Activity

Clarifying:

Charades: choose a student to act out one of the words from the material. When you say "Action", the student begins to act out the word while everyone else tries to guess the word. After 30 seconds, if the others have not guessed the word, the students should tell the word

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using facial and body mov	vements. Repeat several times.

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Proper Nouns

A proper noun identifies a specific person, place or thing by name. A proper noun begins with a capital letter. Examples:

boy-John

street-First Street

shoes—Nikes

Proper Nouns

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a set of cards.
- 3. Shuffle the cards and place face down in a 4 x 4 grid.
- 4. Player 1 turns over 2 cards. If the cards match—one a Proper Noun and the other the Common Noun version of the Proper Noun, he/she takes the pair and replaces cards with extra cards from the deck. Example of match: common noun card—street, proper noun card—Maple Street.
- 5. Player 2 continues in the same way.
- 6. Play is over when all cards have been paired.

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3rd Grade—Proper and Common Nouns

president	Obama	student	Sally
park	Rosedale Park	restaurant	Denney's
rabbit	Bugs Bunny	brother	Tommy
swimmer	Michael Phelps	cowboys	Wild Bill
business	Xerox	dentist	Dr. Jones



car	Toyota	photographer	Jeff Camera
bus	Greyhound	city	Milwaukee
state	Wisconsin	actor	Zac Efron
hospital	St. Joseph's	church	Baptist
computer	Dell	newspapers	New York Times



city	Sacramento	street	4 th Street
singer	Beyoncé	rapper	Jayz
composer	Bach	store	K-Mart



Component:	English Language Arts
Grade Level:	3 rd Grade
Lesson Title:	Repeated Reading and VOCAB
Focus:	Vocabulary, Predicting, and Nouns

Materials:

4 decks of synonym cards, print each deck on different colored card stock (select the deck or decks as directed)

VOCAB Game Board

Noun Game

White boards, pens and/or crayons

Opening

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Fluency Activity of the Day

Fluency Test—Read 1 minute count # of words read. Record the total on a personal chart. A suggestion would be to have a stamp or chart on the front of the student's vocabulary notebook and have them write the total words read on the chart.

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VOCAB

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Predicting

Find the Evidence: On chart paper, write these two heading: predictions and Evidence. Use a different colored marker for each column. List several predications. As you begin to read the material, ask students to look for evidence of their predictions. For example, if the prediction is, "There is a sad and lonely duck," the evidence might be, "The duck always

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Nouns

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A noun is a word that names a person, place or thing. Examples:

person—boy, student, governor

place—park, street, store

thing—toy, dish, ball

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Nouns

Directions:

- 1. Divide students into pairs.
- 2. Give each pair a deck of noun cards and a game board.
- 3. Player 1 turns over a word card and determines is the noun represents a person, place or thing and places the word in the correct category.
- 4. Player 2 repeats the process.
- 5. Game is over when the cards are all placed in the appropriate columns.

Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
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Debrief

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- **D**: Describe one of the ELA activities that we did today.
- **I:** Interpret that activity to your own experience and your own school work.
- **G**: Generalize how the information you learned today will help you in school tomorrow and in your life.
- A: Make a commitment to apply the learning within the next 48 hours.

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Synonym Cards 3rd Grade—VOCAB, Concentration, Synonym Slap Down, Alphabetical Order, Pictionary **Deck 1-Synonyms**

angry	help	join	only
noise	beautiful	ugly	laugh
cry	sad	friend	finished
tiny	large	yell	rich





tired	excited	draw	old
run	said	wet	noisy
dirty			



Deck 2-Synonyms

mad	assist	consent	just
din	pretty	homely	giggle
weep	unhappy	buddy	completed
small	shout	wealthy	exhausted





thrilled	illustrate	ancient	scurry
whispered	damp	loud	filthy
huge			



Deck 3-Synonyms

furious	aid	link	barely
uproar	gorgeous	grotesque	chuckle
sob	gloomy	pal	ended
little	gigantic	bellow	affluent





worn-out	energized	demonstrate	elderly
dash	stated	soaking	earsplitting
soiled			



Deck 4--Synonyms

said	support	attach	hardly
racket	lovely	hideous	chortle
whimper	miserable	ally	concluded
minute	enormous	scream	prosperous





weary	eager	show	mature
sprint	remarked	drenched	deafening
grimy			



Synonym List 3rd Grade

First word is in Deck 1, second word is in Deck 2, third word is in Deck 3, and fourth word is in Deck 4. Suggestion: Print deck in different colored card stock to keep them separate.

angry, mad, furious, upset help, assist, aid, support join, consent, link, attach only, just, barely, hardly noise, din, uproar, racket beautiful, pretty, gorgeous, lovely ugly, homely, grotesque, hideous laugh, giggle, chuckle, chortle cry, weep, sob, whimper sad, unhappy, gloomy, miserable friend, buddy, pal, ally finished, completed, ended, concluded tiny, small, little, minute large, huge, gigantic, enormous yell, shout, bellow, scream rich, wealthy, affluent, prosperous tired, exhausted, worn-out, weary excited, thrilled, energized, eager draw, illustrate, demonstrate, show old, ancient, elderly, mature run, scurry, dash, sprint said, whispered, stated, remarked wet, damp, soaking, drenched noisy, loud, earsplitting, deafening dirty, filthy, soiled, grimy



VOCAB Game Card

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3rd Grade Nouns—Person, Place, or Thing

Person	Place	Thing



3rd Grade Noun Cards

president	mom	student	restaurant
park	school	ball	dish
pencil	rabbit	cage	brother
swimmer	friends	cowboys	plane
circle	cabbage	teeth	business
salesman	cars	photographer	pictures
Tommy	bus	ticket	Milwaukee
Wisconsin	actor	brother	baby
home	hospital	church	soda
calculator	stapler	newspapers	alarm
dinner	backyard	paper	animal
bed	uncle	Sacramento	California





bucket	street	paint	neighbor



Component:	English Language Arts
Grade Level:	3 rd Grade
Lesson Title:	Fluency and Student Activity Choice
Focus:	Review Vocabulary and Conventions

Materials:

Activities from Lesson Plans #1 - #10 White boards and pens and/or crayons

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Q and S

Question and Connection #2: Ask all students to form a group of 4-5 students. In the group, someone asks a question about what was read and everyone must provide a different answer. Students should provide the answer in a complete sentence. Summarizing:

Did you know? In this activity pair students with one another. The first student asks, "Did you know...?" and then adds a piece of information that he/she has learned from the reading. The second student responds either "yes" or "no", and then asks, "Did you know...?" this continues until each student has asked 3-5 questions.

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