| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Fluency and Synonyms |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Synonyms), Predicting, Punctuating Quotations |

## Materials:

Activity at end of the lesson plan
White Boards and pens and/or crayons

## Opening

## State the objective

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## Content (the "Meat")

## Fluency

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students to the next level.

## Fluency Activity of the Day

Musical Shares: Have students stand up and walk around reading the passage that they are working on until the music stops. Students should pair up and read the next 2 sentences to the partner they find. Repeat as students practice.

## Vocabulary

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## Synonyms

Synonyms are words that mean the same or nearly the same thing. Selecting a synonym with just the right meaning will make a difference in students' speaking and writing.

## Synonyms

Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a set of Synonym Cards.
3. Shuffle the cards and place the first 16 in a 4 by 4 grid face down.
4. Player 1 draws 2 cards and if they are synonyms for one another they collect the cards and use one of the words in a sentence. Player replaces the two cards with two other cards from the deck.
5. Player 2 then repeats.
6. When all cards are matched game is over.

## Reciprocal Teaching

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## Activity

## Predicting

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 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.

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| The students will then work in pairs and using those three words will write a description of <br> what they believe the story will be about. |  |
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| Conventions | Often, this activity will be <br> centered on a game to <br> This section will have activities and games that will focus on spelling, capitalization, practice time on key <br> punctuation, sentence structures, and grammar. Once the game has been learned, it can <br> be used as a "when homework is finished" activity. <br> conventions. Be sure to <br> check in with kids to <br> determine if they have and <br> Punctuating Quotes <br> Quotation marks are used to show a person's exact spoken words. Quotation marks come <br> in pairs, one before the first word of the quote and one at the end, after the final <br> punctuation. There are guidelines around how to punctuate these quotes. Begin with the <br> quotation marks. Capitalize the first word of the quote. Complete the ending punctuation of <br> the quote (you can use a comma instead of a period so you can add he said) and then add <br> the punctuation marks. Here is an example: "I was invited to the party," said Ann. |
| Demonstrate several examples with the students. Have different students say things and |  |
| then capture that in a direct quote. |  |
| Direct Quotes |  |
| Directions: |  |
| 1. Divide students into pairs. |  |
| 2. Give each pair a white board and a set of Quotation Cards. |  |
| 3. Together, pair turns over a card and determines how to punctuate the quote. |  |
| 4. When this is decided, students write the quote on the white board. |  |
| 5. When they finish, they find another pair and compare answers, correcting as necessary. |  |



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3rd Grade Synonyms

| hairless | bald | lost | misplaced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| buttoned | fastened | clean | fresh |
| child | tot | fast | quick |
| scream | yell | cook | heat |
| cut | take apart | fat | obese |
| bare | uncovered | tied | knotted |
| dirty | soiled | dog | canine |
| heavy | weighty | vacation | time off |


| wash | cleanse | bark | arf! |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| talk | chat | bend | swerve |
| complete | finish | stripe | streak |
| ajar | open | parcel | package |
| return | give back | sneakers | shoes |
| quilt | blanket | music | tunes |
| continue | keep going | stop | halt |

## 3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ Grade Direct Quotes

| where is my surfboard asked Jack | ryan said I am happy when I play video <br> games |
| :---: | :---: |
| sam said I found the sock under the bed | we are going to the movie tonight cheered <br> the team |
| I was invited to spend the night sighed | grandpa asked do you want to visit New York |
| Natalie |  |$\quad$| City |
| :---: |
| my phone is ringing exclaimed Jorge |


| Component | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Slow Reading and Antoyms |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Antonyms), Questioning and Run On Sentences |

## Materials:

Activity at the end of the lesson plan
White boards and pens and/or crayons

## Opening

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## Content (the "Meat")

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## Repeated Reading Process

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2. Have students read for 1 minute and count the number of words read in the minute.
3. Record the number of words read on a chart.
4. For 8 days practice the SAME passage, using a different practice activities listed in the lesson plan.
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## Fluency Activity of the Day

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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## Antonyms

Antonyms are words that mean the opposite of another word. Not all words have opposites, but the ones that do, should be understood.
Review several examples with students.

## Antonyms

## Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a set of Antonym Cards.
3. Shuffle the cards and place the first 16 in a 4 by 4 grid face down.
4. Player 1 draws 2 cards and if they are antonyms for one another they collect the cards and use one of the words in a sentence. Player replaces the two cards with two other cards from the deck.
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## Activity

## 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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## Run On Sentences

A run-on sentence combines more than one thought or idea. The word and is used in runon sentences to string the thoughts together. A run-on is not like a compound sentence that has two sentences together because they are a connection to the same thought or idea.
An example of a run-on sentence is: June filled the box with candy and she went to the store for ice cream and she decorated her T-shirt with rhinestones. This would have been much better as three separate sentences. June filled the box with candy. She went to the sort for ice cream. She decorated her T-shirt with rhinestones.

## Splitting Up the Run-Ons

## Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a white board and a set of Run On Cards
3. Together, the pair draws a sentence card and reads the run-on sentence.
4. Pair then agrees on how to break the run-on into several sentences and writes the sentence on the white board
5. Bring pairs back together and have them share with the class.
centered on a game to provide practice time on key conventions. Be sure to check in with kids to determine if they have and understanding of these key elements.

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|  | Closing |
| Say: | Review |
| - Please recap what we did today. |  |
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## Debrief

## DIGA

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 Antonym Review

| up | down | fat | thin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| black | white | fast | slow |
| fingers | toes | head | toes |
| ill | well | pass | grab |
| rich | poor | polite | rude |
| loud | soft | tall | short |
| wet | dry | sweet | sour |
| arm | leg | blind | sighted |


| good | bad | inside | outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| boy | girl | Mr. | Mrs. |
| late | early | morning | evening |
| find | lost | top | bottom |
| under | over | play | work |
| empty | full | baby | adult |
| floor | ceiling |  | beautiful |

## 3rd Grade—Run-On Sentences

Ireland is a small country and we have neighbors that have been in Ireland and I don't believe in leprechauns.

He flew the airplane to Michigan and he shopped for tickets and he liked to play baseball.

John read the newspaper advertisement and he did his homework before dinner and he wore a green shirt yesterday.

The blanket is in the chest and the towels are in the closet and the food is stacked onto the shelf by type.

Bob and Jorge are brothers and they are firefighters and the both like dogs better than cats.

JoJo and Ginger are the neighbor's cats and they play with the children on the street and the dogs don't chase them.

Debra has a red sweater and her hair is brown and she likes chocolate chip cookies.

The train was on its way to Hogwarts and the man thought he saw a magician and the wand was broken when he cast a spell.

Danny's friend paid for the items and Danny left on his bicycle and he had a hamburger for lunch.

The carpenter cut the board in half and he painted the shelf green and he had to take three nails out of the board.

Jim is a veterinarian and he skis on the week are liked by everyone and end and he drives a red Toyota.

Bob wears T-shirts and jeans every day and he is friends with Martin and Bob likes to eat pizza.

| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Charades and Contractions |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Similes), Clarifying, and Contractions |

## Materials:

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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

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## Similes

A simile is a comparison of two things using the word "like" or "as" to make the comparison. When a comparison has been made in a certain way for a long time, it can become a cliché. Examples of similes that are also clichés include: cold as ice, hard as a rock, old as the hills, had as a hornet, dark as nigh, deep as the ocean.
Ask children if they can think of others.

## Charades

Directions:

1. Divide the students into groups of 3 .
2. Give each group a set of simile cards.
3. Have groups go through the cards and discuss how they might act out each of the similes.
4. Bring the groups back together.
5. Draw a simile card and have each of the groups come up and act out the simile without speaking.
6. After each group has finished, have the class vote on the charade that they like best.

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## Activity

Clarifying:
Individual Show-Off: Before class, use several of the interesting words in a sentence in

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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.

## Conventions

This section will have activities and games that will focus on spelling, capitalization, punctuation, sentence structures, and grammar. Once the game has been learned, it can be used as a "when homework is finished" activity.

## Contractions

A contraction is a word made by joining two words. One or more letters are left out and an apostrophe replaces them. For example, can + not = can't.
Have students brainstorm other contractions.

## Contractions

Directions:

1. Turn the card face down in a grid, like Concentration.
2. First player turns over two cards. If they match, he she keeps the cards. If they do not match, player turns them face down.
3. Second player repeats step 2. Alternate until game is over.

If there is time, have students make up sentences with each of the contractions that they pick up. Have them say the sentence two ways-once with the contraction and once with the two words.

Often, this activity will be centered on a game to provide practice time on key conventions. Be sure to check in with kids to determine if they have and understanding of these key elements.

|  | Closing |
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|  | Review |

Say:

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


## 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.


## Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

1. Ask students to think about what they did today.
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3rd Grade Similes (Clichés)

| run like a deer | hop like a rabbit | swim like a fish | free as a bird |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| busy as a bee | slither like a <br> snake | quick as lightning | strong as a lion |
| scamper like a <br> mouse | nervous as a cat | flat as a pancake <br> dark as night <br> deep as the <br> ocean | cold as ice <br> old as the hills |
| mad as a hornet |  |  |  |
| hard as nails | smart as a whip | happy as a clam <br> as blind as a bat |  |
| as clear as mud | as dry as a bone | as hungry as a <br> bear <br> as steady as a <br> rock |  |


| could not | couldn't | I am | I'm |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| he would | he'd | she will | she'll |
| did not | didn't | is not | isn't |
| let us | let's | have not | haven't |
| are not | aren't | would not | wouldn't |
| do not | don't | will not | won't |


| was not | wasn't | should not | shouldn't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I had | I'd | we are | we're |
| here is | here's | you will | you'll |
| you would | you'd | I will | I'll |
| it is | it's <br> he will | he'll <br> there is | there's have |
| they've |  |  |  |


| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Declarative, Exclamatory, Interrogative, Imperative |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Homophones), Clarifying, and 4 Sentence Types |

## Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan
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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).

## Vocabulary

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## Homophones

Homophones are words that sound alike but are spelled differently and have different meanings. Other than the words we worked with yesterday, there are other homophone pairs. Today we will look at other homophones such as bury and berry.

## Homophones

## Directions:

1. Place the word cards face down in a grid like Concentration.
2. Player selects two cards. If cards are a homonym pair, then player keeps the cards. If not, player turns cards over and play moves to the next player.
3. Play continues until all cards are uncovered.
4. Winner is player with most cards.

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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 and write it on the board. During the charade, encourage students to get into the moment using facial and body movements. Repeat several times.

## Conventions

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## Types of Sentences

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3rd Grade-Homophones

| ant | aunt | ate | eight |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I | eye | bare | bear |
| bite | byte | caught | cot |
| cent | sent | dear | deer |
| fair | fare | for | four |


| hair | hare | knight | night |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| not | knot | mail | male |
| write | right | son | sun |
| two | too <br> know | no <br> read | red <br> sight |
| site |  |  |  |

$3^{\text {rd }}$ Grade Four Types of Sentences

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| Cats are furry <br> animals. | He has five horses <br> and two dogs. | John went to the <br> store yesterday. | I have a beautiful <br> ring. |
| Where is Mom? | Did you see that <br> black car that was <br> speeding? | Who has answered <br> all of the <br> questions? | Do you like fried <br> potatoes? |
| How old are your |  |  |  |
| brothers? | When will you be <br> able to go with <br> me? | What was the first <br> car that you saw? | Who wrote the <br> book about <br> George? |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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| Make your bed. | Rake the leaves. | Do you homework. | Eat your lunch |

$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|}\hline \text { Go left then turn } \\ \text { right. }\end{array}$ Drive carefully. $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { Mark the correct } \\ \text { answer. }\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c}\text { Stand near the } \\ \text { table. }\end{array}\right\}$

Sentence Type Game Board

| Declarative | Interrogative | Exclamatory | Imperative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
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| Component: | English Language Arts |
| :--- | :--- |
| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Homophones and Types of Sentences |
| Focus: | Vocabulary(Homophones), Predicting, and 4 Types of Sentences |

## Materials:

Activities at end of lesson plan
White boards, pens and/or crayons

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2. Have students read for 1 minute and count the number of words read in the minute.
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students to the next level.

## 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.

## Vocabulary

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

## Homophones

Homophones are words that sound alike but are spelled differently and have different meanings. There are four homophones that really challenge us: your, you're, their, there, they're, whose, who's, and its and it's. Let's take a look at the three there, their, they're. The first "there" refers to a place-put it over there. The second, "their", is the possessive form meaning it belongs to them. This is true of "its" and "your" as well. The third form, "they're", is a contraction for they are, just like "it's" is a contraction for it is, "you're" is a contraction for you are, and "who's" is a contraction for who is. Finally, "whose" is the interrogative pronoun-asking the question of which person?

## Homophones

## Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a set of Homophone Cards, white board, and pen or crayon.
3. Player 1 draws a card.
4. Player 1 writes and read a sentence using the word that was drawn.
5. If sentence is correct, player receives a point.
6. Player 2 repeats.
7. Game is over when first player reaches 10 points.

## Reciprocal Teaching

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## Activity

## 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

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| 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 walked alone." |  |
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3rd Grade Homophone Cards

| its | its | its | its |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| it's | it's | it's | it's |
| whose | whose | whose | whose |
| who's | who' | who's | who's |
| there | there | there | there |


| their | their | their | their |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| they're | they're | they're | they're |
| your | your | your | your |
| you're | you're | you're | you're |
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3rd Grade Four Types of Sentences Cards

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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| Make your bed. | Rake the leaves. | Do you homework. | Eat your lunch |
| Go left then turn right. | Drive carefully. | Mark the correct answer. | Stand near the table. |


| Give that to me. | Duck your head. | Stop doing that. | Say your name. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

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Sentence Type Game Board

| Declarative | Interrogative | Exclamatory | Imperative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |


| Component: | English Language Arts |
| :--- | :--- |
| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Misused Words and Prepositions |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Misused Words), Questioning, and Prepositions |

## Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan
White boards and pens and/or crayons

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## Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs
2. Give each pair a game board and a deck of right Stuff Cards.
3. Shuffle the deck of cards and put them to the right of the Game Board.
4. Player 1 draws a card, reads the sentence and decides which word should fill in the blank. Player places a marker on the word on the game board.
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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....

## Conventions

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## Prepositions

Prepositions are words that relate nouns to other words in a sentence. Prepositions can tell where something is, where something is going, when something happens, and the relationship between a noun or pronoun and another word. Common prepositions include: aboard, about, above, across, after, against, along, alongside, among, around, as, at, before, behind, below, beneath, beside, besides, between, beyond, but, despite, down, during, except, for, from, in, inside, into, like, near, of, off, on, onto, out, outside, over, past, round, since, through, throughout, till, to, towards, under, underneath, until, up, upon, with, within, without (Make a list of these for students to refer to).

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2. Give each pair a $12^{\prime \prime} \times 18^{\prime \prime}$ piece of paper.
3. Demonstrate for students how to divide the white board into 4 columns (this can be done on paper).
4. Label the columns: "Tells where something is", "Tells where something is going", "Tells when something happens", and "Tells the relationship between a noun or pronoun and another word".
5. Ask student to look at the single prepositions and place each in one of the 4 categories.
6. Example: aboard would be placed in the column "where something is".
7. Have pairs compare lists with another pair and correct any differences.

|  | Closing |
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|  | Review |

Say:

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


## Debrief

## 3-2-1

- Share 3 things you like about today's lesson.
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3rd Grade The Right Stuff


| You did a $\qquad$ job cleaning your room. (good, well) | He detective in the story used his skills $\qquad$ (good well) | Len $\qquad$ wanted to finish before everyone else. (sure, surely) | I $\qquad$ want to read that book now. (real, really) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Did it take you long to decide who the $\qquad$ criminal? (real, really) | The class hamster looked $\qquad$ and healthy. (well, good) | Jill read $\qquad$ when she shared the story. (well, good) | You will $\qquad$ get a good grade. (sure, surely) |
| He looks $\qquad$ (well, good) | That was a $\qquad$ sandwich. (well, good) | He said he bet on a $\qquad$ thing. (sure, surely) | He will $\qquad$ be able to win the game. (sure, surely) |
| He is feeling $\qquad$ (well, good) | This was a $\qquad$ professional tennis racket. (real, really) | I think the secretary is doing a $\qquad$ job. (good, well) | That is a $\qquad$ nice outfit. (real, really) |
| He will be able to $\qquad$ do that. (sure, surely) | Maria writes $\qquad$ . (well, good) | This is a $\qquad$ movie. (well, good) | I am $\qquad$ tired. (real, really) |

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| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John is <br> fastest runner. (sure, <br> surely) | the <br> Junie colors <br> good) | (well, | Frank saw the <br> signs of victory. <br> (sure, surely) | | He had a <br> Babe Ruth baseball. <br> (real, really) |
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| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Punctuating Direct Quotes |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Synonyms), Clarifying, and Punctuating Quotations |

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## Fluency Activity of the Day

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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## Synonyms

Synonyms are words that mean the same or nearly the same thing. Selecting a synonym with just the right meaning will make a difference in students' speaking and writing.

## Synonyms

Directions:

1. Divide students into trios.
2. Give each pair a set of Synonym Cards.
3. Shuffle the cards and deal out equal numbers to each player.
4. Player 1 asks another player for a synonym for (and then states the word).
5. Player 1 then uses the word in a sentence.
6. Player 2 either gives up the word or he/she passes.
7. Player 2 then repeats, asking player 3.
8. Player 3 then repeats, asking player 1.
9. When all cards are matched game is over.

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## Activity

## Clarifying:

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,

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## Punctuating Quotes

Quotation marks are used to show a person's exact spoken words. Quotation marks come in pairs, one before the first word of the quote and one at the end, after the final punctuation. There are guidelines around how to punctuate these quotes. Begin with the quotation marks. Capitalize the first word of the quote. Complete the ending punctuation of the quote (you can use a comma instead of a period so you can add he said) and then add the punctuation marks. Here is an example: "I was invited to the party," said Ann.
Demonstrate several examples with the students. Have different students say things and then capture that in a direct quote.

## Direct Quotes

## Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a white board and a set of Quotation Cards.
3. Together, pair turns over a card and determines how to punctuate the quote.
4. When this is decided, students write the quote on the white board.
5. When they finish, they find another pair and compare answers, correcting as necessary.

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| Say: | Review |
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3rd Grade Synonyms

| hairless | bald | lost | misplaced |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| buttoned | fastened | clean | fresh |
| child | tot | fast | quick |
| scream | yell | cook | heat |
| cut | take apart | fat | obese |
| bare | uncovered | tied | knotted |
| dirty | soiled | dog | canine |
| heavy | weighty | vacation | time off |


| wash | cleanse | bark | arf! |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| talk | chat | bend | swerve |
| complete | finish | stripe | streak |
| ajar | open | parcel | package |
| return | give back | sneakers | shoes |
| quilt | blanket | music | tunes |
| continue | keep going | stop | halt |

## 3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ Grade Direct Quotes

| where is my surfboard asked Jack | ryan said I am happy when I play video <br> games |
| :---: | :---: |
| sam said I found the sock under the bed | we are going to the movie tonight cheered <br> the team |
| I was invited to spend the night sighed | grandpa asked do you want to visit New York |
| Natalie |  |$\quad$| City |
| :---: |
| my phone is ringing exclaimed Jorge |


| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Run On Sentences and Summarizing |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Antonyms), Summarizing, and Run On Sentences |

## Materials:

Activities at end of lesson plan
White boards and pens and/or crayons

## Opening

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students to the next level.

## 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

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## Antonyms

Antonyms are words that mean the opposite of another word. Not all words have opposites, but the ones that do, should be understood.
Review several examples with students.

## Antonyms

Directions:

1. Divide students into trios.
2. Give each pair a set of Antonym Cards.
3. Shuffle the cards and deal out equal numbers to each player.
4. Player 1 asks another player for an antonym for (and then states the word).
5. Player 1 then uses the word in a sentence.
6. Player 2 either gives up the word or he/she passes.
7. Player 2 then repeats, asking player 3.
8. Player 3 then repeats, asking player 1.
9. When all cards are matched game is over.

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## Activity

## Summarizing:

Somebody/Wanted? But? So: This is a good way to summarize a story. Provide

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Stop the class and focus on a student's key learning or understanding. Ask openended questions to determine what the rest of the group is thinking.
students with a white board or a piece of paper. Fold the paper into fourths. Write the headings in each square: $1^{\text {st }}$ Square: somebody (Identify the character), $2^{\text {nd }}$ Square: Wanted (Describe the character's goal), 3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ Square: But (Describe the conflict or the problem), 4 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Square: So (Describe the resolution of the conflict.)

## Conventions

This section will have activities and games that will focus on spelling, capitalization, punctuation, sentence structures, and grammar. Once the game has been learned, it can be used as a "when homework is finished" activity.

## Run On Sentences

A run-on sentence combines more than one thought or idea. The word and is used in runon sentences to string the thoughts together. A run-on is not like a compound sentence that has two sentences together because they are a connection to the same thought or idea.
An example of a run-on sentence is: June filled the box with candy and she went to the store for ice cream and she decorated her T-shirt with rhinestones. This would have been much better as three separate sentences. June filled the box with candy. She went to the sort for ice cream. She decorated her T-shirt with rhinestones.

## Splitting Up the Run-Ons

## Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a white board and a set of Run On Cards
3. Together, the pair draws a sentence card and reads the run-on sentence.
4. Pair then agrees on how to break the run-on into several sentences and writes the sentence on the white board
5. Bring pairs back together and have them share with the class.

Often, this activity will be centered on a game to provide practice time on key conventions. Be sure to check in with kids to determine if they have and understanding of these key elements.

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|  | Closing |
| Say: | Review |
| - 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 Antonym Review

| up | down | fat | thin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| black | white | fast | slow |
| fingers | toes | head | toes |
| ill | well | pass | grab |
| rich | poor | polite | rude |
| loud | soft | tall | short |
| wet | dry | sweet | sour |
| arm | leg | blind | sighted |


| good | bad | inside | outside |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| boy | girl | Mr. | Mrs. |
| late | early | morning | evening |
| find | lost | top | bottom |
| under | over | play | work |
| empty | full | baby | adult |
| floor | ceiling |  | beautiful |

3rd Grade—Run-On Sentences

Ireland is a small country and we have neighbors that have been in Ireland and I don't believe in leprechauns.

He flew the airplane to Michigan and he shopped for tickets and he liked to play baseball.

John read the newspaper advertisement and he did his homework before dinner and he wore a green shirt yesterday.

The blanket is in the chest and the towels are in the closet and the food is stacked onto the shelf by type.

Bob and Jorge are brothers and they are firefighters and the both like dogs better than cats.

JoJo and Ginger are the neighbor's cats and they play with the children on the street and the dogs don't chase them.

Debra has a red sweater and her hair is brown and she likes chocolate chip cookies.

The train was on its way to Hogwarts and the man thought he saw a magician and the wand was broken when he cast a spell.

Danny's friend paid for the items and Danny left on his bicycle and he had a hamburger for lunch.

The carpenter cut the board in half and he painted the shelf green and he had to take three nails out of the board.

Jim is a veterinarian and he skis on the week are liked by everyone and end and he drives a red Toyota.

Bob wears T-shirts and jeans every day and he is friends with Martin and Bob likes to eat pizza.

| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | The Right Stuff |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Misused Words), Summarizing, and Prepositions |

## Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan
White boards and pens and/or crayons

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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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## Misused Words

Some words are commonly misused. These words include: good, well, sure, surely, real, and really. So, let's take a look at how these words should be used. The word good is an adjective and describes a noun. You could say, "That was a good dinner." The word good is never an adverb. Well is an adjective when it means in good health or having a good appearance. For example, "She looks well." Well is an adverb when it is used to tell that something id done capably or effectively, such as "She writes well." Sure is an adjective when if modifies a noun. "A robin is a sure sign of spring." Surely is an adverb and can be used in this way, "He surely wants a job." Real is an adjective that means genuine or true, such as "That is a real diamond." Really is an adverb in "Mary really played a good game." Demonstrate these guidelines to students.

## The Right Stuff <br> Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a game board and a deck of right Stuff Cards.
3. Shuffle the deck of cards and put them to the right of the Game Board.
4. Player 1 draws a card, reads the sentence and decides which word should fill in the blank. Player places a marker on the word on the game board.
5. Player 2 continues play in the same way.

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| Activity <br> Summarizing: <br> 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 will this information apply to your life? |  |
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| Conventions <br> This section will have activities and games that will focus on spelling, capitalization, punctuation, sentence structures, and grammar. Once the game has been learned, it can be used as a "when homework is finished" activity. <br> Prepositions <br> Prepositions are words that relate nouns to other words in a sentence. Prepositions can tell where something is, where something is going, when something happens, and the relationship between a noun or pronoun and another word. Common prepositions include: aboard, about, above, across, after, against, along, alongside, among, around, as, at, before, behind, below, beneath, beside, besides, between, beyond, but, despite, down, during, except, for, from, in, inside, into, like, near, of, off, on, onto, out, outside, over, past, round, since, through, throughout, till, to, towards, under, underneath, until, up, upon, with, within, without (Make a list of these for students to refer to). <br> Prepositions <br> Directions <br> 1. Divide students into pairs. <br> 2. Give each pair a 12 " $\times 18$ " piece of paper. <br> 3. Demonstrate for students how to divide the white board into 4 columns (this can be done on paper). <br> 4. Label the columns: "Tells where something is", "Tells where something is going", "Tells when something happens", and "Tells the relationship between a noun or pronoun and another word". <br> 5. Ask student to look at the single prepositions and place each in one of the 4 categories. <br> 6. Example: aboard would be placed in the column "where something is". <br> 7. Have pairs compare lists with another pair and correct any differences. <br> 8. If there is time, challenge students to use different prepositions in sentences of their own.. | Often, this activity will be centered on a game to provide practice time on key conventions. Be sure to check in with kids to determine if they have and understanding of these key elements. |


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| Say: | Review |
|  | Please recap what we did today. |
| - Did we achieve our objectives? |  |
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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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3rd Grade The Right Stuff


| You did a $\qquad$ job cleaning your room. (good, well) | He detective in the story used his skills $\qquad$ (good well) | Len $\qquad$ wanted to finish before everyone else. (sure, surely) | I $\qquad$ want to read that book now. (real, really) |
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| Did it take you long to decide who the $\qquad$ criminal? (real, really) | The class hamster looked $\qquad$ and healthy. (well, good) | Jill read $\qquad$ when she shared the story. (well, good) | You will $\qquad$ get a good grade. (sure, surely) |
| He looks $\qquad$ (well, good) | That was a $\qquad$ sandwich. (well, good) | He said he bet on a $\qquad$ thing. (sure, surely) | He will $\qquad$ be able to win the game. (sure, surely) |
| He is feeling $\qquad$ (well, good) | This was a $\qquad$ professional tennis racket. (real, really) | I think the secretary is doing a $\qquad$ job. (good, well) | That is a $\qquad$ nice outfit. (real, really) |
| He will be able to $\qquad$ do that. (sure, surely) | Maria writes $\qquad$ . (well, good) | This is a $\qquad$ movie. (well, good) | I am $\qquad$ tired. (real, really) |

Consult 4 Kids Lesson Plans

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| John is <br> fastest runner. (sure, <br> surely) | the <br> Junie colors <br> good) | (well, | Frank saw the <br> signs of victory. <br> (sure, surely) | | He had a <br> Babe Ruth baseball. <br> (real, really) |
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| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | 3rd Grade |
| Lesson Title: | Student Activity Choice |
| Focus: | Review Vocabulary and Conventions |

## Materials:

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## Fluency Activity of the Day

Retest student, read for 1 minute compare results with the pre-test.

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Homophones<br>The Right Stuff<br>Charades<br>Antonyms<br>Synonyms

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## Activity

## 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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Four Types of Sentences
Prepositions
Contractions
Splitting the Run-On
Direct Quotes
determine if they have and understanding of these key elements.

|  | Closing |
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