| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }} \text { Grades }}$ |
| Lesson Title: | Synonyms and One Minute Predictions |
| Focus: | Fluency, Synonyms, Double Consonants |

## Materials:

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

## Opening

## State the objective

The purpose of these lessons are to:

- Improve fluency (the ability to read smoothly).
- Increase vocabulary (both academic and other words).
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- Work on being proficient at the conventions of writing which include capitalization, punctuation, spelling, sentence types, and grammar.


## Gain prior knowledge by asking students the following questions

What are some of the strategies that you utilize to uncover the meaning of unfamiliar words?
What is the importance of asking questions to strengthen your understanding of what you have read?
Beyond fluency, it is important to read with correct phrasing and expression. What can you do to accomplish this?

## Content (the "Meat")

## Fluency

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## Repeated Reading Process

1. Give student a passage to read at his/her appropriate reading level. It would be better to be a passage that is easily read than one that they are struggling with. Remember that they are practicing the sight words and phrases that make up about $65 \%$ of the text.
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

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.

## Vocabulary

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

## Synonyms

In small groups students brainstorm words that mean the same thing as the word cry. Remind students that words which mean the same or about the same are called synonyms. The goal is to come up with at least 10 words that mean the same as "cry".
sob, weep, tear, sigh, hysterics, blubber, bawl, snivel, whimper, whine.
Once students have made a list, ask them to work in their groups to order the words from cry to the word that means the most cry, placing all of the words in between. When making this list, start with the word "cry" on the top of the page, and the word that means the most cry on the bottom.

Once this is done, have them select 3 words from the list and draw a picture that will represent that word.

## Reciprocal Teaching

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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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During the lesson check in with students repeatedly.
Check in about what is happening and what they are thinking.
Take advantage of any teachable moments.
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## Double the Consonant (activity at end of lesson plan)

One of the things that you need to learn so that you can spell correctly is when to double a consonant and when to leave it alone. The purpose of this activity is to practice that skill.

## Directions:

With a vis-à-vis pen, write the root words with "ed" and "ing" endings. After duplicating the activity either laminate or place in a sheet protector for reuse.
Reminder: Many root words end with a short vowel and one consonant. When an "ed" or "ing" ending is added, usually the consonant is doubled.
Example:
map + ed = mapped
map + ing = mapping

|  | Closing |
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| Say: | Review |
| - Please recap what we did today. |  |
| - Did we achieve our objectives? |  |
| 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!)

- Ask students to think about what they did today.
- Ask them to comment on what they did today was something they already knew how to do. (Confirmation)
- Ask them to comment on what they did today that was like something they had done before except in one particular way which was new to them. (Tweak)
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| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Antonyms |
| Focus: | Fluency, Antonyms, Double Consonants |

## Materials:

Chart paper
White board, pens and/or crayons
Activity at end of lesson plan

## Opening

## State the objective

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## Gain prior knowledge by asking students the following questions

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## Content (the "Meat")

## Fluency

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## Repeated Reading Process

1. Give student a passage to read at his/her appropriate reading level. It would be better to be a passage that is easily read than one that they are struggling with. Remember that they are practicing the sight words and phrases that make up about $65 \%$ of the text.
2. Have students read for 1 minute and count the number of words read in the minute.
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4. For 8 days practice the SAME passage, using a different practice activities listed in the lesson plan.
5. Have students read the passage for 1 minute and then count the words read. Record the number of words next to the first number recorded.
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students to the next level.

## 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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## Antonyms

Yesterday and the day before you made charts for all of the words that you could think of that mean the same or nearly the same as "laugh" and "cry". Today, put the list with the "laugh" synonyms on top and the list with the "cry" synonyms on the bottom. You now have a continuum of words from the smallest emotion of unhappiness to the biggest emotion of happiness.
Create several sentences and try it out using each of the different words and see how the sentence changes in its meaning. For example. The movie was amazing and before it was over every emotion was felt, I laughed during so many parts. Or, The movie was amazing and before it was over every emotion was felt, I cried during so many parts.

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## Activity

## 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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Double the Consonant (at end of lesson plan)
Review this game from yesterday. Have students share with you the strategies that they used
to get the answers correct. Have students play with a different partner today.
Directions:
With a vis-à-vis pen, write the root words with "ed" and "ing" endings.
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ending is added, usually the consonant is doubled.
Example:
map + ed = mapped
map + ing = mapping
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!)

- Ask students to think about what they did today.
- Ask them to comment on what they did today was something they already knew how to do. (Confirmation)
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| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Clipped Words and Homographs |
| Focus: | Fluency, Homographs, Clipped Words |

## Materials:

Activities at end of lesson plan (Clipped Words and Double or Nothing)
White board, pens/crayons OR $3 \times 5$ cards for Question and Connection Cards

| Opening |
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## Content (the "Meat")

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## *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable <br> Moment(s) throughout

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students to the next level.

## 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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Homographs--one of a group of words spelt in the same way but having different meanings. The English language is full of words that have multiple meanings and the challenge is to help students, especially those new to English, to understand the differences in meaning. You will have options to play several games using the same cards.

The first is called Double or Nothing.
The purpose of this game is to practice utilizing these homographs in a variety of sentences.

## Directions:

1. Divide students into groups of 2-3.
2. Give each group two sets of cards-word cards and sentence cards.
3. Shuffle the word cards and place them face down between the players.
4. Lay the sentence cards face up in a grid between the players.
5. Player \#1 picks a word card and determines which sentence card the word goes with, filling in the blank in both sentences with the same word.
6. If he/she gets the answer correct, then play moves on to Player \#2 and Player \#1 gets to keep the pair of cards.
7. Player with the most cards at the end of the game wins.

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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

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questions, going back and forth.
Example: If students read something about Columbus, the QUESTION card might read: What were the names of the three ships Columbus sailed with? If the same article was read, a CONNECTION card might read: How does Columbus coming to the new world connect to the Pilgrims coming over 100 years later?

## Conventions

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## Clipped Words (at end of the lesson plan)

Sometimes when we talk about something that is very familiar, we clip the word. For example,

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. we usually refer to getting gas for the car rather than gasoline. Gas is a clipped version of gasoline. The purpose of this activity is for you to practice with some common clipped words.

## Directions

1. Place the cards face down in a grid (like Concentration).
2. Player selects two cards. If they match, player removes the two cards and draws again. If the cards do not match, play moves to the next player.
3. Repeat step 2.
4. Winner is player with the most matches.

## Closing

## Review

Say:

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


## 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!)

- Ask students to think about what they did today.
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Clipped Words

| pike | microphone | drape | referee |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| mike | automobile | gas | veteran |
| auto | gradate | ref | turnpike |
| vet | hamburger | burger | trigonometry |
| champ | drapery | trig | gasoline |
| grad | champion | exam | lab |
| van | sub | plane | memo |
| flu | limo | tux | teen |


| laboratory | submarine | memorandum | examination |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| limousine | caravan | teenager | airplane |
| tuxedo | influenza | lunch | luncheon |

Double or Nothing Homographs

| agape | bass | bat | bow |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| down | entrance | evening | fine |
| learned | minute | moped | number |
| row | sewer | wave | wound |
| yard | duck | fly | fair |
| ring | pitcher | light | desert |
| ry |  |  |  |

Double or Nothing

| Her mouth was wide open. It was | He went fishing for | He would rather have a wooden $\qquad$ than a metal one. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| When he went to church he learned a Greek word for love. He learned the word | He has the deepest voice. He sings $\qquad$ | He is afraid of going into the cave because $h$ heard that a $\qquad$ lived there. |
| She had a ribbon in her hair. It was tied in a $\qquad$ | Place your shoe $\qquad$ on the floor. | Please be sure that you go through the |
| When he met the queen he remembered to $\qquad$ | He lives where it is cold so he has a $\qquad$ jacket made from goose feathers. | Her grandmother is so excited to take her to Disneyland/ She knows it will $\qquad$ her granddaughter. |
| As the sun went down, the day turned into $\qquad$ | Have you seen the movie, One $\qquad$ Day? | He had done that many times so he has $\qquad$ his lesson. |
| The frosting was lumpy so she spent some time $\qquad$ it out. | He was speeding on the freeway so he was charged a $\qquad$ | He is very well education. He is considered a $\qquad$ man. |
| There are 60 seconds in a | He was so sad that he $\qquad$ around all weekend. | He had no feeling in his hand. It was $\qquad$ than before it got hit. |
| $\qquad$ . The picture | Do you know how to ride a | What $\qquad$ comes after 8? |


| There is a song called | The water from the shower went into the | When you see someone you know, your hand. |
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| your boat. |  |  |
| They got into a $\qquad$ over who would pay the bill. | She uses needle and thread to make the dress. She is known as a $\qquad$ | When you are standing on the beach the $\qquad$ will lap over your feet. |
| He $\qquad$ the old fashioned clock every Saturday. | The little girl was playing in her back $\qquad$ | The mother $\qquad$ and her babies were waddling along. |
| He was shot in the arm. He had a horrible $\qquad$ | He decided to measure the fabric by the $\qquad$ | Be careful around here. You will need to $\qquad$ your head. |
| I will $\qquad$ to New York on an airplane. | He went to the County $\qquad$ and had a great time. | It is incredibly hot in the |
| The dragon $\qquad$ had colorful wings. | Julie said that it wasn't $\qquad$ to send her away. | I couldn't believe the he would $\qquad$ us when we needed him most. |
| Do you have a silver $\qquad$ that you wear? | He will pour the water out of the large green $\qquad$ | Turn the $\qquad$ on when you come into the room. |
| I heard the telephone | The $\qquad$ hurled the baseball over the base. | It is interesting how the shading went from $\qquad$ to dark. |


| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Musical Shares and Sequencing |
| Focus: | Sequencing, Prediction, Punctuating Direct Quotes |

## Materials:

Activities at end of lesson plan (Sequencing and Direct Quotes)
White board and pen/crayon

## Opening

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6. Celebrate success.
7. Students should stay on the same passage level for $4-6$ weeks and then transition 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

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

Sequencing is an important skill if you are predicting what will happen next. The order that events occur, matters. For example, you will not wash the dishes before you have eaten dinner and gotten them dirty, it just doesn't make sense. In this activity, read each of the cards and answer the question, what comes next.

## Sequencing

## Directions:

1. Read through the cards and discuss the completion of each sentence. Blue cards are the sentence beginnings, yellow, the sentence ends.
2. Mix the cards up and place face down in a grid pattern (like Concentration).
3. Player one turns up one card and looks for a match in the second card.
4. If the cards match, the player keeps the cards. If not play resumes with the next player.
5. Continue until all cards are matched.

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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. The students

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will then work in pairs and using those three words will write a description of what they believe the story will be about.

## 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.

Punctuating Quotations correctly requires that students both know and understand the rules and then apply them correctly. In this activity students will be able to practice the basics.
There are 6 basic rules:

1. Periods and commas always go inside quotation marks, even inside single quotes.
2. The placement of question marks with quotes follows logic. If a question is in quotation marks, the question mark should be placed inside the quotation marks.
3. When you have a question outside quoted material and inside quote material, use only one question mark and place it inside the quotation mark.
4. Use single quotation marks for quotes within quotes. Note that the period goes inside all quote marks.
5. Use quotation marks to set off a direct quotation only.
6. Do not use quotation marks with quoted material that is more than three lines in length.

## Punctuating Direct Quotes

## Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a set of Direct Quotation cards, and a white board and crayon.
3. Student \#1 draws a card and writes the statement or question on the white board correctly.
4. If Student \#1 is successful, then Student \#2 takes his/her turn.
5. Game is over when all cards have been used.

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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| Say: | Review |
| - Please recap what we did today. |  |
| - Did we achieve our objectives? |  |

## Debrief

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| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Sequencing and Independent Reading |
| Focus: | Sequencing, Clarifying, Punctuating Quotes |

## Materials:

Activities at the end of the lesson plan (Sequencing and Direct Quotes)

| Opening |
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## Gain prior knowledge by asking students the following questions

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Beyond fluency, it is important to read with correct phrasing and expression. What can you do to accomplish this?

## Content (the "Meat")

## Fluency

Repeated Reading is a key strategy that research has found to be incredibly effective in building fluency. Repeated Reading means exactly that-students read and re-read the same passage, practicing not only the unique words but the sight words that make up of $65 \%$ of the written words. For reading passages see information in the side note.

## Repeated Reading Process

1. Give student a passage to read at his/her appropriate reading level. It would be better to be a passage that is easily read than one that they are struggling with. Remember that they are practicing the sight words and phrases that make up about $65 \%$ of the text.
2. Have students read for 1 minute and count the number of words read in the minute.
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7. Students should stay on the same passage level for 4-6 weeks and then transition students to the next level.

## 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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Students played this game yesterday. Ask them to share the strategies they learned for playing the game easily. Have them share the tips with one another.
Have students participate today but with a different partner.

## Sequencing

## Directions:

1. Read through the cards and discuss the completion of each sentence. Blue cards are the sentence beginnings, yellow, the sentence ends.
2. Mix the cards up and place face down in a grid pattern (like Concentration).
3. Player one turns up one card and looks for a match in the second card.
4. If the cards match, the player keeps the cards. If not play resumes with the next player.
5. Continue until all cards are matched.

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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, bat, cave, and bridge, a silly sentence/question 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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| See above |  |
| Punctuating Direct Quotes |  |
| Directions: |  |
| 1. Divide students into pairs. |  |
| 2. Give each pair a set of Direct Quotation cards, and a white board and crayon. |  |
| 3. Student \#1 draws a card and writes the statement or question on the white board correctly. |  |
| 4. If Student \#1 is successful, then Student \#2 takes his/her turn. |  |
| 5. Game is over when all cards have been used. |  |


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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Find The Evidence and Fluency |
| Focus: | Fluency, Synonyms, Predicting |

## Materials:

Fluency passages or students current reading
White boards, pens or crayons
Conventions activity at end of lesson plan
Chart paper

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## Fluency Activity of the Day

Fluency Test—Read 1 minute count number 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

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## Synonyms

Together, brainstorm words that mean the same thing as the word big. Share with students that words which mean the same or about the same are called synonyms. Make it your goal to come up with at least 10 words that mean the same as "big".
large, giant, huge, outsized, bulky, colossal, enormous, massive, gargantuan, mammoth (a word like grande could also be used).

Once students have made a list, ask them to work in pairs or trios to order the words from big to the word that means the most big, placing all of the words in between. When making this chart, put the word big at the bottom and the word that represents the "biggest" is on the top.

Once this is done, have them select 3 words from the list and draw a picture that will represent that word.

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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 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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## Simple and Compound Sentences (Activity at end of lesson plan)

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## Directions:

1. Read each sentence.
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## Simple and Compound Sentences

## Simple Sentences

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I did my homework first.

I cleaned up my bedroom.

We saw the Grand Canyon on our vacation.

I went to the store but I did not buy anything.

The dog dug a hole and he chased the mailman.

John rode his bike and he helped his neighbor rake leaves.

I did my homework first and I played video games with my friend.

I cleaned up my bedroom but I did not clean up the yard.

We saw the Grand Canyon and we saw Yellowstone Park.

| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | I Wonder and Paired Reading |
| Focus: | Synonyms, Fluency, Sentence Types |

## Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan
White Boards, crayons and/or pens
Chart paper

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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.

## Vocabulary

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## Antonyms

Yesterday and the day before you made charts for all of the words that you could think of that mean the same or nearly the same as "big" and "little". Today, put the list with the "big" synonyms on top and the list with the "little" synonyms on the bottom. You now have a continuum of words from the smallest of small to the biggest of big.

Have students read through the words and quiz each other on the opposites of each word.
When you have completed this have each pair of students use three different words in a sentence.

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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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## Simple, Compound and Complex Sentences (attached to this lesson plan)

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The purpose of the activity is to practice identifying simple, compound and complex sentences. Simple sentences have a subject and a predicate. Example: The brown dog ran quickly down the street. Compound sentences are two simple sentences put together by the connecting words like and. Example: The dog ran down the street and he stopped at the corner to wait for the light. Complex sentences are one simple sentence and then a phrase that could not stand alone. Example: Even though the dog waited at the corner, he did not know that the light was red.

## Directions:

1. Read each sentence.
2. Decide if it is simple, compound, or complex.
3. Sort the sentences to the appropriate column.

## Closing

## Review

Say:

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## Debrief

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| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Figurative Language and Collective Nouns |
| Focus: | Figurative Language, Clarifying, Collective Nouns |

## Materials:

Activity from yesterday
White boards, crayons and/or pens
Convention activity at end of lesson plan

## Opening

## State the objective

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## Content (the "Meat")

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6. Celebrate success.
7. Students should stay on the same passage level for $4-6$ weeks and then transition students to the next level.

## 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

Students played this game yesterday. Review what an idiom is. Discuss strategies for playing the game effectively. Ask students to play with a different partner today.

## Figurative Language

## Directions:

1. Place the definition cards face down.
2. Player draws a definition card and has 30 seconds to locate the correct idiom.
3. If player matches the definition and the idiom correctly, then he/she rolls the die and moves that many spaces.
4. If player does not match the definition and the idiom correctly, then he/she loses his/her turn.
5. Play continues until one person completes the course.
6. Cards may be reshuffled for play to continue.

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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

## Collective Nouns

A collective noun names a group. Groups have members which may be people, animals or

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Often, this activity will be centered on a game to provide practice time on key
things. A collective noun refers to the entire group at one time. The purpose of the activity is to determine which words are collective nouns and to write them on the game board.

## Collective Nouns

Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a Collective Nouns Game Board and Sentence Cards.
3. Game Board goes between the two students. Sentence Cards are shuffled and placed face down next to the game board.
4. Player one reads the sentence card and determines if there is a collective noun in the sentence, and if yes, determines which word is the collective noun.
5. Player then writes the collective noun on the game board.
6. Player 2 then draws a sentence card and repeats the process.
7. Game is over when first player has identified 8 collective nouns.
conventions. Be sure to check in with kids to determine if they have and understanding of these key elements.

## Closing

## Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
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## Debrief

## LBNT

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## Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

- Ask students to think about what they did today.
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Collective Nouns Game Board $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$


| The army carefully went <br> through the jungle. | The roll of quarters was <br> worth $\$ 10.00$. | The band was marching <br> in the parade in their blue <br> and gold uniforms. |
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| The atlas was updated to <br> include three newly <br> formed countries. | The pool of lawyers was <br> waiting to get a case. | The litter of kittens looked <br> just like the mother. |
| The swarm of bees was <br> buzzing around the roof. | The troop of baboons is a <br> big attraction at the zoo. | The flock of geese was <br> flying south for the winter. |
| The school of fish could <br> turn immediately and go <br> the other way. | The board of directors for <br> the school was elected. | Mom purchased a bunch <br> of bananas for our <br> lunches. |
| The cast of the play met |  |  |
| us after the final curtain. | The hen's brood was busy <br> following their mother. | The mob of kangaroos <br> could be found in <br> Australia. |
| The pride of lions is alone |  |  |
| on the savannah. | The herd of buffalo is <br> traveling through <br> Wyoming. | We saw a pack of wolves <br> near the campsite. |


| A cloud of gnats swarmed <br> nearby. | The football team was <br> eager to win the game. | The class will graduate in <br> June. |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | 10 or Less and All Read |
| Focus: | Synonyms, Different Types of Sentences, Summarizing |

## Materials:

Activity at end of lesson plan
White Boards, pens and/or crayons
Chart paper

## 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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## Synonyms

In small groups have students brainstorm words that mean the same thing as the word laugh. Remind students that words which mean the same or about the same are called synonyms. Their goal is to come up with at least 10 words that mean the same as "laugh" chuckle, giggle, tee-hee, smile, guffaw, chortle, snigger, snort, hoot, cackle.

Once students have made a list, ask them to work in the group to order the words from laugh to the word that means the most laugh, placing all of the words in between. When making this chart, put the word laugh at the bottom and the word that represents the most "laugh" is on the top.

Once this is done, have them select 3 words from the list and draw a picture that will represent that.

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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 will this information apply to your life?

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## Simple, Compound and Complex Sentences (at end of lesson plan)

Review this game from yesterday. Have students share with you the strategies that they used to get the answers correct. Have students play with a different partner today.

## Directions:

1. Read each sentence.
2. Decide if it is simple, compound, or complex.
3. Sort the sentences to the appropriate column.

## Closing

## Review

Say:

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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.

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| Lesson Title: | Double or Nothing and Review |
| Focus: | Sequencing and Review |

## Materials:

Activities from the past 11 days for students to select from, at the end of lessons 1-10.

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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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Have students select one of the games that they did during the week to play today. If they would like to do the synonyms and antonyms from most to least and create a synonyms/antonyms chart, consider the following word pairs:

- loud and quiet
- old and young
- fast and slow


## Sequencing

Double or Nothing

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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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punctuation, sentence structures, and grammar. Once the game has been learned, it can be used as a "when homework is finished" activity.
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- Simple and Compound Sentences
- Simple, Compound, and Complex Sentences
- Double the Consonant
- Clipped Words
- Punctuating Direct Quotes


## Closing

Review
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