| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ grades |
| Lesson Title: | Synonyms and Linking to Predicate Nouns |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Synonyms), Clarifying, and Linking Verbs and Predicate Nouns |

## Materials:

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

## 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).
- Practice Reciprocal Teaching (predicting, clarifying, questioning, and summarizing).
- 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

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4. For 8 days practice the SAME passage, using a different practice activities listed in the lesson plan.
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6. Celebrate success.
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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

## Synonym Review

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:

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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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.

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## Linking Verbs and Predicate Nouns

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Demonstrate several examples of this:
That girl was my sister. (was is the linking verb and sister is the predicate noun)
The solar panel is a money saver: (is is the linking verb, and money-saver is the predicate noun.
Linking to Predicate Nouns \#2
Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a sentence card.
3. Students work together to find the linking verb in each sentence and then the predicate noun.
When the sentences on the card have been reviewed, pair should write three sentences of their own that follow the pattern of linking verb + predicate noun.

## Closing

## Review

Say:

- Please recap what we did today.
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## Debrief

## 3-2-1

- Share 3 things you like about today's lesson.
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## Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

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$4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ 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 |

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## $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Linking to Predicate Nouns \#2

$>$ He tiger is a large cat.
$>$ The boy at first base is my brother.
$>$ Sherry is the skateboard rider.
$>$ I am happy.
$>$ A ruler is an important math tool.
$>$ Mercury is the planet closest to the sun.
$>$ Saturn has rings around it.
$>$ Judy is the first place winner in the art show.
$>$ The moon is in orbit around the Earth.
$>$ A diamond is in the box.
$>$ The thread will be a tablecloth.
$>$ The doctors are near the desk.
$>$ He will be a spider for Halloween.
$>$ Neptune is light years away from Earth.
$>$ Chocolate is her favorite flavor.

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## 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

## Synonym Review

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## 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.
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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.

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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 |
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|  | Please recap what we did today. |
| LBNT | Debrief |
| 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. |  |

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| 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 |

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## $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Linking to Predicate Nouns \#1

$>$ The zebra mussel is a bivalve.
$>$ That girl in the third row is my friend.
$>$ Mr. Martin is a $5^{\text {th }}$ grade teacher.
$>$ I am a talented singer.
$>$ A solar calculator is a perfect math tool.
$>$ Jupiter is the largest planet.
$>$ Venus is the second planet form the sun.
$>$ Pluto is the planet that is furthest from Earth.
$>$ The first trumpet is Natalie Jones.
$>$ Earth's sun is actually a star.
$>$ That lumpy stone is coal.
$>$ Those three women are the surgeons for the hospital.
$>$ This yarn will be an afghan soon.
$>$ That large spider is a tarantula.
$>$ John is afraid of elevators.

| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Lesson Title: | Predicting, Fluency, Agreement Subject and Verb |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Homographs), Predicting, and Subject-Verb Agreement |

## Materials:

Activities at end of lesson plan
White board and pen/crayon

## Opening

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## 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.

## Homographs

Homographs are words that are spelled the same way but are pronounced differently and mean something different.
An example would be read and read. One time you pronounce it as if you are reading something right now, the other is pronounced to indicate that the reading took place in the past.
Share homographs-record and record (the first is to keep a record, the second is to make a tape of your voice.)

## Homographs

Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a set of Homograph Cards.
3. Shuffle the cards and place them in between the two players.
4. Player 1 draws a card, reads the sentence and tells how to pronounce the word to fit in that sentence.
If Player 2 agrees, Player 1 gets a point and Player 2 resumes play. If Player 2 disagrees, then they must find a neutral peer and ask him/her to decide.

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## Activity

## Predicting

Three Words: share with students the topic for the day. Ask students to think about what

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

## Conventions

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## Subject-Verb Agreement

Subjects and verbs must agree. When a subject is one, it is singular. This singular subject needs to be matched to a singular verb. When the subject is more than one, it is plural and should be matched to a plural verb. Here is an example: My friend is going to the zoo. (friend is singular and is singular). My friends are going to the zoo. (friends is plural and are is plural). John jumps high (John is singular and jumps is singular) We jump high (we is plural and jump is plural).
When sentences are straightforward (without a compound subject or predicate or without prepositional phrase) it is easier to decide whether the subject is singular or plural. Today we will practice with simple sentences. Tomorrow we will add the challenge of prepositional phrases, etc.

## Do We Agree? \#1

Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a deck of Do We Agree? Cards and a game board.
3. Shuffle the cards and place them to the right of the game board.
4. Player 1 draws a sentence card and determines if the subject and verb agree. If yes, player places the card in the agree column, if player says no, they put it in the disagree column.
5. If player 2 agrees, then he/she take his/her turn. If not, he/she can challenge and explain why.
6. Once a challenge is settled, Player 2 takes his/her turn.
7. Game is over when all cards have been completed.

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

## 3-2-1

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| John will record that song. | Sales set a record the day after Thanksgiving. | She straightened the bow in her hair. | The actor took a bow after the play. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| What is your address? | How did you address the judge? | Jill held her teddy bear close. | Don't forget to close the door. |
| He plays the bass guitar with the band | He caught a bass in the lake. | He was a rebel because he just couldn't cooperate. | In 1860 Virginia decided to rebel. |
| The room was dirty and dingy. | That small boat is called a dingy. | The sewer drain was at the corner. | She loved to work with fabric, she was a sewer. |
| Please read the story aloud now. | He read the book yesterday. | He will present his project to the group. | Did you get a present for your birthday? |


| He enjoys the cactus in the desert. | The soldier did not desert his friends. | You may move forward and resume your walk. | He turned in his résumé. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The dove will "coo" when it is content. | He dove into the swimming pool. | Who will lead the activity? | The pencil needs a sharp lead. |
| Will you polish your fingernails? | Have you ever eaten a Polish dog? | He is the subject of the investigation. | Don't subject me to your anger! |
| She always has an excuse about her clothes. | Mom will excuse you from the table. | She was so sad that a tear slid down her cheek. | Don't tear that paper! |
| I was able to win the contest. | He disagrees and will contest your opinion | He was sad about the loss so he moped around. | I will ride my moped to the store. |


$\left.$| Did he refuse to |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| go to the dinner? | | The garbage truck |
| :---: |
| picked up the |
| refuse. |$\quad$| Did you suspect |
| :---: |
| the surprise party? |$\quad$| He was a suspect |
| :---: |
| in the robbery. | \right\rvert\,

$4^{\text {th }-5} 5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Do We Agree? \#1

| Thirty-five students <br> are hiking Grand <br> Canyon. | Sixteen students is <br> hiking in Yosemite. | Jorge's mother is <br> afraid. | Jorge's mother are <br> afraid. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The wind scatter <br> seeds. | The wind scatters <br> seeds. | Boats floats a long <br> distance. | Boats float a long <br> distance. |
| Seeds travel in <br> many ways. | Seeds travels in <br> many ways. | Sometimes seeds <br> falls in the water. | Sometimes seeds <br> fall in the water. |
| Animals gathers <br> seeds to eat. | Animals gather <br> seeds to eat. | Squirrels digs <br> holes to bury <br> seeds. | Squirrels dig holes <br> to bury seeds. |
| Cardinals likes to |  |  |  |
| eat seeds. | Cardinals like to <br> eat seeds. | Dogs carry seeds <br> in their fur | Dogs carries seeds <br> in their fur. |


| People plant seeds to grow new plants. | People plants seeds to grow new plants. | A fire is built in marked areas. | A fire are built in marked areas. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jorge took a lot of water with him. | Jorge tooks a lot of water with him. | We ship out tomorrow on the boat. | We ships out tomorrow on the boat. |
| I jump on the trampoline every afternoon. | I jumps on the trampoline every afternoon. | The driver parks the car. | The driver park the car. |
| The breeze fill the air. | The breeze fills the air. | Andrew travel overseas. | Andrew travels overseas. |
| Aaron uses his boat every day. | Aaron use his boat every day. | Dave drive expertly on the track. | Dave drives expertly on the tack. |


| Jack and Jill goes <br> up the hill. | Jack and Jill go up <br> the hill. | Mark and John is <br> coming home. | Mark and John are <br> coming home. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |


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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Predicting and Meaning Match |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Homophones), Predicting, and Prepositions |

## Materials:

Fluency passages or students current reading
White boards, pens or crayons
Activities at the end of lesson plan

## Opening

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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

## 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.

## Homophone Meaning Match

Directions:

1. Place meaning cards in the middle of the board, face down.
2. Player draws one card.
3. Player determines which word matches the definition that he/she drew.
4. Player places token on the word.
5. Other players can challenge.
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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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the sentence. It can tell where something is, where something is going, when something happens, or 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).

## Prepositions

Directions

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a $12^{\prime \prime} \times 18$ " 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 on the chart and place each in one of the 4 categories.
6. Example: aboard would be placed in the column "where something is".

Have pairs compare lists with another pair and correct any differences.
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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$4^{\text {th }}$-5th Grade Homograph Meaning Match


| wear down or <br> grind off in small <br> pieces | a small juicy <br> fruit with many <br> seeds | come face to <br> face with; come <br> together | put in the earth <br> or a tomb; cover <br> up |
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| cure; bring back <br> to health | a word used to <br> refuse or deny; <br> none | adult that can <br> be a father | in this place; <br> now; at this time |
| big; large; much; <br> more than usual | a lodging house <br> for travelers | back part of <br> foot | showed the way; <br> went first |
| animal flesh used <br> for food | get sounds <br> through the <br> ears; listen | tied together, as <br> rope, string, <br> ribbon | letters sent or <br> received |
| a word that says <br> "no"; expressed <br> denial | tell apart from <br> others; have the <br> facts | within; not <br> outside; into | bluish-gray <br> metal; graphite <br> for pencils |


| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{4 \mathrm{~h}}-5^{\mathrm{t}}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Word Families ould and ought |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Word Family-ould, ought), Summarizing, and Prepositional Phrase as Adverbs |

## Materials:

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

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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.
Word Families-ould-ought Vocabulary

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Once you have brainstormed the list of words have students work in pairs to write a paragraph using as many "ould" and "ought" words as possible. Example: I should have bought red raspberry punch and brought it to the party. Instead I thought I ought to bring banana nut bread.
Have pairs share their paragraph with the class. When they read a word that contains "ould" or "ought, the class should whisper, "Yahoo!"

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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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## Adverb Prepositional Phrases

An adverb prepositional phrase will modify a verb. It tells how, where, when, or what.
The preposition may be the same as in an adjective prepositional phrase, but the word that it is modifying or telling more about, is the verb.

## Which One?

Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a game board and set of Which One Cards.
3. Place Cards shuffled and face down to the right of the game board.
4. Player 1 draws a card, identifies the prepositional phrase and determines if the phrase tells how, where, when or what.
5. Card is then placed in the appropriate column.
6. Player 2 continues.
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## Closing

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$4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Which One? Game Board

| HOW | WHERE | WHEN | WHAT |
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$\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|}\hline \begin{array}{l}\text { The beaver swam } \\ \text { to his underwater } \\ \text { door. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Alex flosses } \\ \text { between his teeth. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { The coals are hot; } \\ \text { you can put your } \\ \text { hot dog on the grill. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { The sails billowed } \\ \text { during the boat } \\ \text { ride. }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { The bear crawled } \\ \text { in his den and } \\ \text { went to sleep. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Joni sat nearby as } \\ \text { the air show } \\ \text { continued. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Dolphins live } \\ \text { underneath the } \\ \text { ocean. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { When the rain } \\ \text { started, we went } \\ \text { inside the house. }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { The crowd clapped } \\ \text { as the band } \\ \text { passed by the } \\ \text { review stand. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { My puppy leaned } \\ \text { against my leg. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Please put the } \\ \text { napkin underneath } \\ \text { the plate. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Ricky walked along } \\ \text { the edge of the } \\ \text { beach. }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { The snow fell } \\ \text { gently down to the } \\ \text { ground. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { The ship sank } \\ \text { below the ocean. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Fred made the } \\ \text { feed for his cow. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { The will leave for } \\ \text { the park. }\end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{l}\text { We will go outside } \\ \text { of the building. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Sally shared her } \\ \text { poem with the } \\ \text { class. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { He ate celery for a } \\ \text { snack. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { He set the rake } \\ \text { against the garage. }\end{array} \\ \hline \text { We left after the } \\ \text { program. } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Jill swam to the } \\ \text { deep end. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { They are not } \\ \text { moving in until } \\ \text { tomorrow. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Jorge walked to } \\ \text { the corner market. }\end{array} \\ \text { The lady laughed } \\ \text { Frank rolled down } \\ \text { the hill. } \\ \text { with great menace. } \\ \text { without humor. } \\ \text { after his lunch. }\end{array}\right\}$

| Components: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {t }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Subject Verb Agreement |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Homographs), Clarifying, and Subject-Verb Agreement |

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Activities at the end of the lesson plan

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## Vocabulary

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

## Homographs

Homographs are words that are spelled the same way but are pronounced differently and mean something different.
An example would be read and read. One time you pronounce it as if you are reading something right now, the other is pronounced to indicate that the reading took place in the past.
Share homographs-record and record (the first is to keep a record, the second is to make a tape of your voice.)

## Homographs

## Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a set of Homograph Cards.
3. Shuffle the cards and place them in between the two players.
4. Player 1 draws a card, reads the sentence and tells how to pronounce the word to fit in that sentence.
5. If Player 2 agrees, Player 1 gets a point and Player 2 resumes play. If Player 2 disagrees, then they must find a neutral peer and ask him/her to decide.

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#### Abstract

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?


## 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.

## Subject-Verb Agreement

Subjects and verbs must agree. When a subject is one, it is singular. This singular subject needs to be matched to a singular verb. When the subject is more than one, it is plural and

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| John will record that song. | Sales set a record the day after Thanksgiving. | She straightened the bow in her hair. | The actor took a bow after the play. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| What is your address? | How did you address the judge? | Jill held her teddy bear close. | Don't forget to close the door. |
| He plays the bass guitar with the band | He caught a bass in the lake. | He was a rebel because he just couldn't cooperate. | In 1860 Virginia decided to rebel. |
| The room was dirty and dingy. | That small boat is called a dingy. | The sewer drain was at the corner. | She loved to work with fabric, she was a sewer. |
| Please read the story aloud now. | He read the book yesterday. | He will present his project to the group. | Did you get a present for your birthday? |


| He enjoys the cactus in the desert. | The soldier did not desert his friends. | You may move forward and resume your walk. | He turned in his résumé. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The dove will "coo" when it is content. | He dove into the swimming pool. | Who will lead the activity? | The pencil needs a sharp lead. |
| Will you polish your fingernails? | Have you ever eaten a Polish dog? | He is the subject of the investigation. | Don't subject me to your anger! |
| She always has an excuse about her clothes. | Mom will excuse you from the table. | She was so sad that a tear slid down her cheek. | Don't tear that paper! |
| I was able to win the contest. | He disagrees and will contest your opinion | He was sad about the loss so he moped around. | I will ride my moped to the store. |


$\left.$| Did he refuse to |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| go to the dinner? | | The garbage truck |
| :---: |
| picked up the |
| refuse. |$\quad$| Did you suspect |
| :---: |
| the surprise party? |$\quad$| He was a suspect |
| :---: |
| in the robbery. | \right\rvert\,

## $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Do We Agree? \#2

| The buttons on her <br> sweater is wooden. | The buttons on her <br> sweater are <br> wooden. | The dog with many <br> spots growl at <br> everyone. | The dog with many <br> spots growls at <br> everyone. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The girl with <br> braces brush her <br> teeth. | The girl with <br> braces brushes her <br> teeth. | The street outside <br> the mall need <br> plowing. | The street outside <br> the mall needs <br> plowing. |
| The couch with <br> stripes is <br> comfortable. | The couch with <br> stripes are <br> comfortable. | A bucket of berries <br> cost \$4.00. | A bucket of berries <br> costs \$4.00. |
| The pack of <br> pencils is <br> inexpensive. | The pack of <br> pencils are <br> inexpensive. | The sweater in the <br> display fit me. | The sweater in the <br> display fits me. |
| Many marbles in <br> that game is <br> matching. | Many marbles in <br> that game are <br> matching. | The pictures of the <br> zoo trip is <br> developed. | The pictures of the <br> zoo trip are <br> developed. |


| The guinea pig <br> with black spots <br> need a good <br> home. | The guinea pig <br> with black spots <br> needs a good <br> home. | The videos on the <br> bottom shelf need <br> to be returned. | The videos on the <br> bottom shelf needs <br> to be returned. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| That banana with <br> dark spots is <br> rotten. | That banana with <br> dark spots are <br> rotten. | The dogs with the <br> collar is friendly. | The dogs with the <br> collar are friendly. |
| The people <br> throughout the <br> area want the <br> road. | The people <br> throughout the <br> area wants the <br> road. | Students <br> throughout the <br> school want a <br> longer lunch. | Students <br> throughout the <br> school wants a <br> longer lunch. |
| The girl with <br> chicken pox have <br> lunch. | The girl with <br> chicken pox has <br> lunch. | The horse with the <br> saddle runs fast. | The horse with the <br> saddle run fast. |
| The radish in the <br> salad taste spicy. | The radish in the <br> salad tastes spicy. | The tomatoes on <br> the sandwich is <br> soft. | The tomatoes on <br> the sandwich are <br> soft. |


| The pancakes on <br> the plate is cold. | The pancakes on <br> the plate are cold. | The boys near the <br> slide helps pick up <br> trash. | The boys near the <br> slide help pick up <br> trash. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |


| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Paired Reading and ight |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Word Family-ight), Questioning, and Prepositional Phrases as Adjectives |

## Materials:

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

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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

## Word Families-ight

A word family is a group of words that rhyme and have the same final spellings. Example: ran, can, fan, bran, tan; or words that are more challenging to spell-eight, freight, weight (Note: these words end in eight not ight).
Today we are going to look at words that end in the pattern "ight" Divide students into pairs and have them brainstorm as many words as they can that end in "ight" that sounds like "ite". Words include: bright, fight, flight, fright, knight, light, might, night, plight, right sight, slight, tight.

Once you have brainstormed the list of words have students work in pairs to write a paragraph using as many "ight" words as possible. Example: Last night we saw a bright light in the sky. At first we were frightened by the sight. Have pairs share their paragraph with the class. When they read a word that contains "ight", the class should snap fingers.

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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

## Adjective Prepositional Phrases

Write the following prepositional phrases on the board and ask students to circle the preposition and underline the object of the preposition.
around the corral
on the wall

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| behind the door <br> of jam <br> with a paper towel <br> of $i$ ice cream <br> around the edge <br> of the pond <br> between the doors | understanding of these key <br> elements. |
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| In the activity today, students will read a sentence and identify the preposition, the object of |  |
| the preposition, and the noun that the prepositional phrase modifies. |  |
| Tell About Nouns |  |
| Directions: |  |
| 1.Divide students into pairs. <br> 2. Give each pair a set of Tell About Nouns cards and a white board. <br> 3. Player 1 draws a card and identifies the preposition, identifies the object of the <br> preposition, identifies the noun. |  |
| 4. Player 1 will receive 1 point for each correct response (up to 3 points). |  |
| 5. Player 2 repeats. |  |
| 6. Game is over when first player reaches 15 points. |  |


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|  | Review |
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| 3-2-1 | Debrief <br> ered. <br> u practiced today. |

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## Consult 4 Kids Lesson Plans

$4^{\text {th }}$ - $^{\text {th }}$ Grade Tell About Nouns

| The candle on the piano is cinnamon scented. | Use that container of fertilizer to feed the plants. | The books from the library must be returned today. | Anna likes pancakes with butter and syrup. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| That radish in the salad is very spicy. | The girl near the slide helped me pick up trash. | The horse with the red saddle blanket won the prize. | Students throughout the school want a longer lunch period. |
| The girl with chicken pox ate lunch yesterday. | Julie ordered marble cake with raspberry filling. | Dad shoveled the end of the driveway. | The red scarf around my neck was a gift. |
| Our class will clean up the mess around the soccer field. | We are renting a cottage near the dock. | The box of books is behind the door. | The girl with brown hair won the race. |
| The nest in the tree is fragile. | The runner in the green shorts fell down. | The chicken under the awning is named El Pollo. | The rainbow in the sky is beautiful. |


| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{4 \mathrm{~h}}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Homophone Meanings |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Homographs), Clarifying, and Compound Prepositions |

## Materials:

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

## Opening <br> State the objective

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## Content (the "Meat")

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## Repeated Reading Process

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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

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

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.

## Homophone Meaning Match

Directions:

1. Place sentence cards in the middle of the board, face down.
2. Player draws one card.
3. Player determines which word matches the definition that he/she drew.
4. Player places token on the word.
5. Other players can challenge.
6. Game is over when all words are covered.

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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.

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| $\quad$ Conventions | Often, this activity will be <br> centered on a game to <br> Compound Prepositions <br> Compound prepositions are multiple prepositions used together to demonstrate the <br> relationship between words in the sentence. Commonly used compound prepositions time on key <br> include: according to, ahead of, along with, as for, away from, because of, by way of, due <br> to, except for, in addition to, in back of, in case of, in front of, in regard to, in spite of, <br> instead of, out of, up to, with the exception of. (Place these words on a chart) <br> chens in with kids to to <br> ciscuss each of the compound prepositions, giving examples of how these are used in <br> sentences |
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| determine if they have and <br> understanding of these key <br> elements. |  |
| Say What? |  |
| Directions: |  |
| 1. Divide students into pairs. |  |
| 2. Give each pair a set of Compound Preposition Cards. |  |
| 3. Play 1 draws a card and uses the compound preposition in a sentence. |  |
| 4. If correct, he/she keeps the card. |  |
| 5. Player 2 repeats the process. |  |
| 6. If sentence is incorrect, the card is placed back in the deck. |  |
| 7. Play is over when all cards are taken. |  |


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| Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!) |  |
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$4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Homograph Meaning Match

| berry | bury | heal | heel | hear | here |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| in |  |  |  |  | led |
| inn |  | Homophones Meaning Match |  |  | mail |
| meet |  |  |  |  | meat |
| knot |  |  |  |  | male |
| not | great | grate | know | no | lead |


| wear down or <br> grind off in small <br> pieces | a small juicy <br> fruit with many <br> seeds | come face to <br> face with; come <br> together | put in the earth <br> or a tomb; cover <br> up |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| cure; bring back <br> to health | a word used to <br> refuse or deny; <br> none | adult that can <br> be a father | in this place; <br> now; at this time |
| big; large; much; <br> more than usual | a lodging house <br> for travelers | back part of <br> foot | showed the way; <br> went first |
| animal flesh used <br> for food | get sounds <br> through the <br> ears; listen | tied together, as <br> rope, string, <br> ribbon | letters sent or <br> received |
| a word that says <br> "no"; expressed <br> denial | tell apart from <br> others; have the <br> facts | within; not <br> outside; into | bluish-gray <br> metal; graphite <br> for pencils |

$4^{\text {th }-5} 5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Say What?

| according to | ahead of | along with | as for |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| away from | because of | by way of | due to |
| except for | in addition to | in back of | in case of |
| in front of | in regard to | in spite of | instead of |

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| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{4^{\mathrm{h}}-5^{\text {th }} \text { Grades }}$ |
| Lesson Title: | Somebody Wanted Antonym Review |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Antonyms), Summarizing, and Linking Verbs and Predicate Adjectives |

## Materials:

Activity at the end of the lesson plan

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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.

## Antonym Review

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.
5. Player 2 then repeats.
6. 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 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:

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| Wanted (Describe the character's goal), 3rd Square: But (Describe the conflict or the problem), $4^{\text {th }}$ Square: So (Describe the resolution of the conflict.) |  |
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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> Linking Verbs and Predicate Adjectives <br> A linking verb does not show action. A linking verb links or joins something in the predicate to the subject of the sentence. A linking verb does not have an action verb after it. A predicate adjective that follow the linking verb tells something about the subject. <br> Demonstrate several examples of this: <br> Ants are disgusting. (are is the linking verb, disgusting is the adverb) Jorge is loud (is is the linking verb, loud is the adjective.) <br> Linking to Predicate Adjectives \#1 <br> Directions: <br> 1. Divide students into pairs. <br> 2. Give each pair a sentence card. <br> 3. Students work together to find the linking verb in each sentence and then the predicate adjective. <br> 4. When the sentences on the card have been reviewed, pair should write three sentences of their own that follow the pattern of linking verb + predicate adjective. | 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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$4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ 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 |

## Consult 4 Kids Lesson Plans

$4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Linking to Predicate Adjectives \#2
> Cockroaches are yucky!
$>$ Hot dogs are yummy.
$>$ The sidewalk is cluttered.
$>$ Julie is graceful.
$>$ My sunburn is painful.
$>$ The golf ball dent is deep.
$\Rightarrow$ The bag of candy is full.
$>$ He is happy.
$>\mathrm{Mr}$. Sheldon is funny.
$>$ Night will be dark.
$>$ The movie was enjoyable.
$>$ The cruise ship is huge.
$>$ The girl is sleepy.
$>$ The raccoon is stealthy.
$>$ Mother is shy.

| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Do We Agree? |
| Focus: | Vocabulary (Homographs), Predicting, and Subject-Verb Agreement |

## Materials:

Activities at end of lesson plan
White board and pen/crayon

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## 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.

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## Homographs

Homographs are words that are spelled the same way but are pronounced differently and mean something different.
An example would be read and read. One time you pronounce it as if you are reading something right now, the other is pronounced to indicate that the reading took place in the past.
Share homographs-record and record (the first is to keep a record, the second is to make a tape of your voice.)

## Homographs

Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a set of Homograph Cards.
3. Shuffle the cards and place them in between the two players.
4. Player 1 draws a card, reads the sentence and tells how to pronounce the word to fit in that sentence.
If Player 2 agrees, Player 1 gets a point and Player 2 resumes play. If Player 2 disagrees, then they must find a neutral peer and ask him/her to decide.

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## Activity

## Predicting

Three Words: share with students the topic for the day. Ask students to think about what

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

## Conventions

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## Subject-Verb Agreement

Subjects and verbs must agree. When a subject is one, it is singular. This singular subject needs to be matched to a singular verb. When the subject is more than one, it is plural and should be matched to a plural verb. Here is an example: My friend is going to the zoo. (friend is singular and is singular). My friends are going to the zoo. (friends is plural and are is plural). John jumps high (John is singular and jumps is singular) We jump high (we is plural and jump is plural).
When sentences are straightforward (without a compound subject or predicate or without prepositional phrase) it is easier to decide whether the subject is singular or plural. Today we will practice with simple sentences. Tomorrow we will add the challenge of prepositional phrases, etc.

## Do We Agree? \#1

Directions:

1. Divide students into pairs.
2. Give each pair a deck of Do We Agree? Cards and a game board.
3. Shuffle the cards and place them to the right of the game board.
4. Player 1 draws a sentence card and determines if the subject and verb agree. If yes, player places the card in the agree column, if player says no, they put it in the disagree column.
5. If player 2 agrees, then he/she take his/her turn. If not, he/she can challenge and explain why.
6. Once a challenge is settled, Player 2 takes his/her turn.
7. Game is over when all cards have been completed.

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## Consult 4 Kids Lesson Plans

## Debrief

## 3-2-1

- 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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| John will record that song. | Sales set a record the day after Thanksgiving. | She straightened the bow in her hair. | The actor took a bow after the play. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| What is your address? | How did you address the judge? | Jill held her teddy bear close. | Don't forget to close the door. |
| He plays the bass guitar with the band | He caught a bass in the lake. | He was a rebel because he just couldn't cooperate. | In 1860 Virginia decided to rebel. |
| The room was dirty and dingy. | That small boat is called a dingy. | The sewer drain was at the corner. | She loved to work with fabric, she was a sewer. |
| Please read the story aloud now. | He read the book yesterday. | He will present his project to the group. | Did you get a present for your birthday? |


| He enjoys the cactus in the desert. | The soldier did not desert his friends. | You may move forward and resume your walk. | He turned in his résumé. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The dove will "coo" when it is content. | He dove into the swimming pool. | Who will lead the activity? | The pencil needs a sharp lead. |
| Will you polish your fingernails? | Have you ever eaten a Polish dog? | He is the subject of the investigation. | Don't subject me to your anger! |
| She always has an excuse about her clothes. | Mom will excuse you from the table. | She was so sad that a tear slid down her cheek. | Don't tear that paper! |
| I was able to win the contest. | He disagrees and will contest your opinion | He was sad about the loss so he moped around. | I will ride my moped to the store. |


$\left.$| Did he refuse to |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| go to the dinner? | | The garbage truck |
| :---: |
| picked up the |
| refuse. |$\quad$| Did you suspect |
| :---: |
| the surprise party? |$\quad$| He was a suspect |
| :---: |
| in the robbery. | \right\rvert\,

$4^{\text {th }-5} 5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Do We Agree? \#1

| Thirty-five students <br> are hiking Grand <br> Canyon. | Sixteen students is <br> hiking in Yosemite. | Jorge's mother is <br> afraid. | Jorge's mother are <br> afraid. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The wind scatter <br> seeds. | The wind scatters <br> seeds. | Boats floats a long <br> distance. | Boats float a long <br> distance. |
| Seeds travel in <br> many ways. | Seeds travels in <br> many ways. | Sometimes seeds <br> falls in the water. | Sometimes seeds <br> fall in the water. |
| Animals gathers <br> seeds to eat. | Animals gather <br> seeds to eat. | Squirrels digs <br> holes to bury <br> seeds. | Squirrels dig holes <br> to bury seeds. |
| Cardinals likes to |  |  |  |
| eat seeds. | Cardinals like to <br> eat seeds. | Dogs carry seeds <br> in their fur | Dogs carries seeds <br> in their fur. |


| People plant seeds to grow new plants. | People plants seeds to grow new plants. | A fire is built in marked areas. | A fire are built in marked areas. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jorge took a lot of water with him. | Jorge tooks a lot of water with him. | We ship out tomorrow on the boat. | We ships out tomorrow on the boat. |
| I jump on the trampoline every afternoon. | I jumps on the trampoline every afternoon. | The driver parks the car. | The driver park the car. |
| The breeze fill the air. | The breeze fills the air. | Andrew travel overseas. | Andrew travels overseas. |
| Aaron uses his boat every day. | Aaron use his boat every day. | Dave drive expertly on the track. | Dave drives expertly on the tack. |


| Jack and Jill goes <br> up the hill. | Jack and Jill go up <br> the hill. | Mark and John is <br> coming home. | Mark and John are <br> coming home. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |


| Component: | English Language Arts |
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| Grade Level: | $4^{\text {th }}-5^{\text {th }}$ Grades |
| Lesson Title: | Fluency Review and More |
| Focus: | Review of Vocabulary and Conventions |

## Materials:

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

## Opening <br> State the objective

The purpose of these lessons are to:

- Improve fluency (the ability to read smoothly).
- Increase vocabulary (both academic and other words).
- Practice Reciprocal Teaching (predicting, clarifying, questioning, and summarizing).
- 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")

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| Fluency <br> 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. <br> Repeated Reading Process <br> 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. <br> 2. Have students read for 1 minute and count the number of words read in the minute. <br> 3. Record the number of words read on a chart. <br> 4. For 8 days practice the SAME passage, using a different practice activities listed in the lesson plan. <br> 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. <br> 6. Celebrate success. <br> 7. Students should stay on the same passage level for $4-6$ weeks and then transition students to the next level. | *Activity $\rightarrow$ Teachable <br> Moment(s) throughout <br> Repeated Reading passages can be found at: <br> www.readinga-z.com (This is a subscription fee site). <br> Check with the school day to see if the textbook has these passages (most do). <br> Select a book that is at the child's reading level and have them select 250-300 words to practice (even if they move on with the story). |

## Fluency Activity of the Day

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

## Vocabulary

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

Today is a day of review. Have students select from one of the following:
Homophones
"ight" Words
"ould" and "ought" Words
Synonyms
Antonyms
Homographs

## Reciprocal Teaching

There are four sections of Reciprocal Teaching:
Predicting (what do you think will happen next-not a guess but based on evidence in the text.
Clarifying (understanding the meaning of each of the words-remember that many English words have multiple meanings).
Questioning (asking right there, interpretive, and applying questions so you can utilize the information).
Summarizing (listing the key bullet points of what you've read-not retelling detail by detail).
For Reciprocal Teaching you may use a trade book (you can buy these in any book store or check them out of the library, or you may be interested in subscribing to Reading A-Z and having access to a large variety of books and other texts.

## 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.

## 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.

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.
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.

Often, this activity will be centered on a game to provide practice time on key conventions. Be sure to check in with kids to

## Consult 4 Kids Lesson Plans

| Today is a day of review. Have students select from one of the following: | determine if they have and <br> understanding of these key <br> elements. <br> Prepositions |
| :--- | :--- |
| Say What? |  |
| Tell About Nouns |  |
| Which One? |  |
| Linking to Predicate Nouns |  |
| Linking to Predicate Adjectives |  |
| Do We Agree? |  |


|  | Closing |
| :--- | :--- |
| Say: | Review |
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|  |  |
|  | Did we achieve our objectives? |$\quad$ Debrief

## Reflection (Confirm, Tweak, Aha!)

1. Ask students to think about what they did today.
2. Ask them to comment on what they did today was something they already knew how to do. (Confirmation)
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