

# Instructional Features

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<b>UNIT 1: Into the Deep</b>				
LESSON 1: <i>Testing the Waters</i>	Science Social Studies	Predictions	Roots and Root Words	Letter to the Editor
LESSON 2: <i>Life at the Bottom of the Sea</i>	Science	Conclusions	Subject and Verb	Summary
LESSON 3: <i>Journey Across the World</i>	Science Language Arts	Point of View	Multiple-Meaning Words	Personal Narrative
<b>UNIT 2: It's Elementary!</b>				
LESSON 4: <i>The Master Detective</i>	Math Science	Sequence	Figurative Expressions	Biography
LESSON 5: <i>Sir Arthur Conan Doyle</i>	Language Arts Science	Main Idea	Irregular Verbs	Problem and Solution
LESSON 6: <i>Mystery Solved</i>	Science Language Arts	Genre	Infinitives	Review
<b>UNIT 3: From Here to There</b>				
LESSON 7: <i>A New Beginning</i>	Social Studies	Inferences and Conclusions	Homophones	Description
LESSON 8: <i>Going North</i>	Social Studies	Cause and Effect	Adverb	Persuasive Paragraph
LESSON 9: <i>Traveling on the Mississippi</i>	Social Studies Language Arts	Figurative Language	Pronouns	Travel Account
<b>UNIT 4: Cultures Around the World</b>				
LESSON 10: <i>Roman Technology</i>	Science Social Studies	Cause and Effect	Antonyms	Opinion
LESSON 11: <i>People of the Sea</i>	Science Social Studies	Compare and Contrast	Prepositions	Summary
LESSON 12: <i>Norse Myths</i>	Social Studies Language Arts	Author's Purpose	Commas	Retelling

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LESSON 3: <b>Animating Life</b>	Language Arts Science	Theme	Adverbs	1st-Person Narrative
<b>UNIT 2: Sounds Around You</b>				
LESSON 4: <b>The Science of Sound</b>	Science Mathematics	Cause and Effect	Apostrophes and Contractions	Problem and Solution
LESSON 5: <b>Movie Sound Effects</b>	Science Social Studies	Details	Synonyms	Summary
LESSON 6: <b>Appreciating Music</b>	Language Arts	Understanding Characters	Multiple-Meaning Words	Descriptive Writing
<b>UNIT 3: The Silver Screen</b>				
LESSON 7: <b>The History of Movies</b>	Science Social Studies	Sequence	Linking Verbs	Informational
LESSON 8: <b>Movie Magic</b>	Science Social Studies	Compare and Contrast	Roots and Root Words	Review
LESSON 9: <b>Lights, Camera, Action!</b>	Language Arts	Setting	Phrasal Verbs	Real-Life Event
<b>UNIT 4: The 20th Century</b>				
LESSON 10: <b>Between the Wars</b>	Social Studies	Fact and Opinion	Abstract Nouns	Travel Narrative
LESSON 11: <b>The End of the Cold War</b>	Social Studies	Details	Suffixes	Summary
LESSON 12: <b>The Fight for Women's Rights</b>	Language Arts Social Studies	Parts of a Play	Possessives	Persuasive Paragraph

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LESSON 2: <b>A Plant-Based Diet</b>	Science Social Studies	Main Idea	Uncountable Nouns	Informative Paragraph
LESSON 3: <b>Bread and Paintings</b>	Language Arts Social Studies	Character Traits	Verbs	Story
<b>UNIT 2: Storytelling</b>				
LESSON 4: <b>Stories on the Go</b>	Science Mathematics	Fact and Opinion	Multiple-Meaning Words	Podcast
LESSON 5: <b>Everyone Has a Story</b>	Science Mathematics	Predictions	Definite and Indefinite Articles	Survey
LESSON 6: <b>Stories of Interest</b>	Language Arts Social Studies	Analyzing Language	Order of Adjectives	Story Summary
<b>UNIT 3: The Body and Technology</b>				
LESSON 7: <b>Medical Imagery</b>	Science Social Studies	Compare and Contrast	Root Words	Descriptive Paragraph
LESSON 8: <b>You Are Unique</b>	Science Mathematics	Cause and Effect	Transitional Words	Summary
LESSON 9: <b>An Unexpected Practice</b>	Language Arts	Parts of a Story	Figurative Language	Personal Narrative
<b>UNIT 4: Our Government</b>				
LESSON 10: <b>Electing the President</b>	Social Studies Mathematics	Cause and Effect	Suffixes and Parts of Speech	Opinion
LESSON 11: <b>The Judicial Branch</b>	Social Studies	Sequence	Confusing Words	Informative Paragraph
LESSON 12: <b>Decisions</b>	Language Arts Social Studies	Characters	Adverbs	Explanatory Paragraph

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