

Teach with *chapter books.*



At *Read Side by Side* our mission is to prepare *all* students for life-long reading by providing quality, evidence based curriculum to engage *all* students.

2024 Program Guide
Read Side by Side Reading Program, 3-6

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Written by a classroom teacher!
Sarah Collinge,
Program Founder
2011

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Watch the **Program Overview** Video (17 min.)

readsidebyside.com/overview-video



What matters the most for middle-grade students?



The ***Read Side by Side Reading Program*** provides a highly motivating curriculum design, tailored specifically to the needs of middle-grade readers.

- ✓ **Building of knowledge.**
- ✓ **Transfer of skills.**
- ✓ **Increase of motivation.**

Students read books that build interest and knowledge.

Texts are connected across a single-school year, and also across the 3-6 design.



A 3-part curriculum design ensures success!

Part 1: Read-Aloud



Part 2: Book Clubs



Part 3: Extended Reading

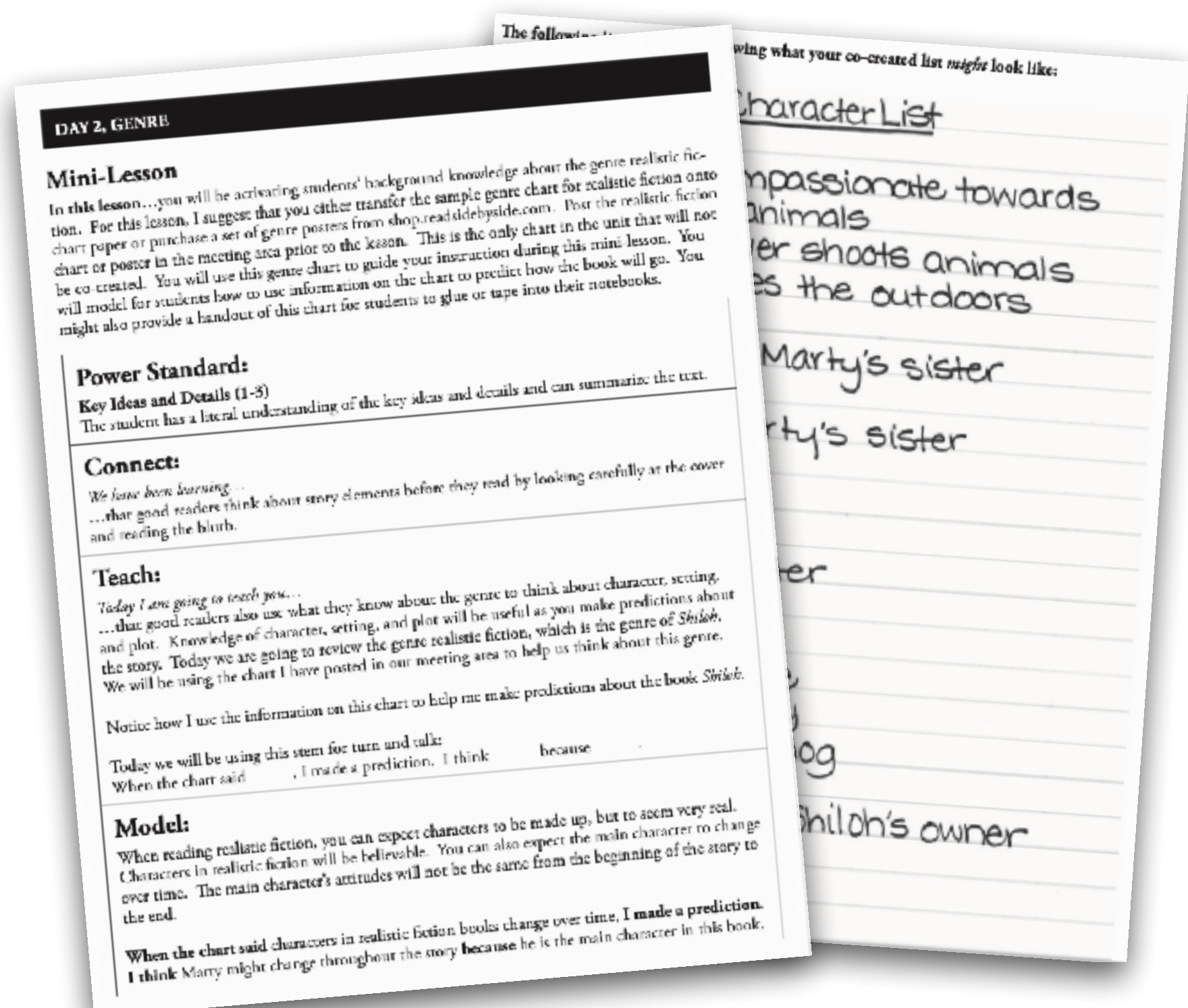


Part 1: Read aloud lessons provide teacher modeling and engagement. Students have a copy of the text being read aloud.

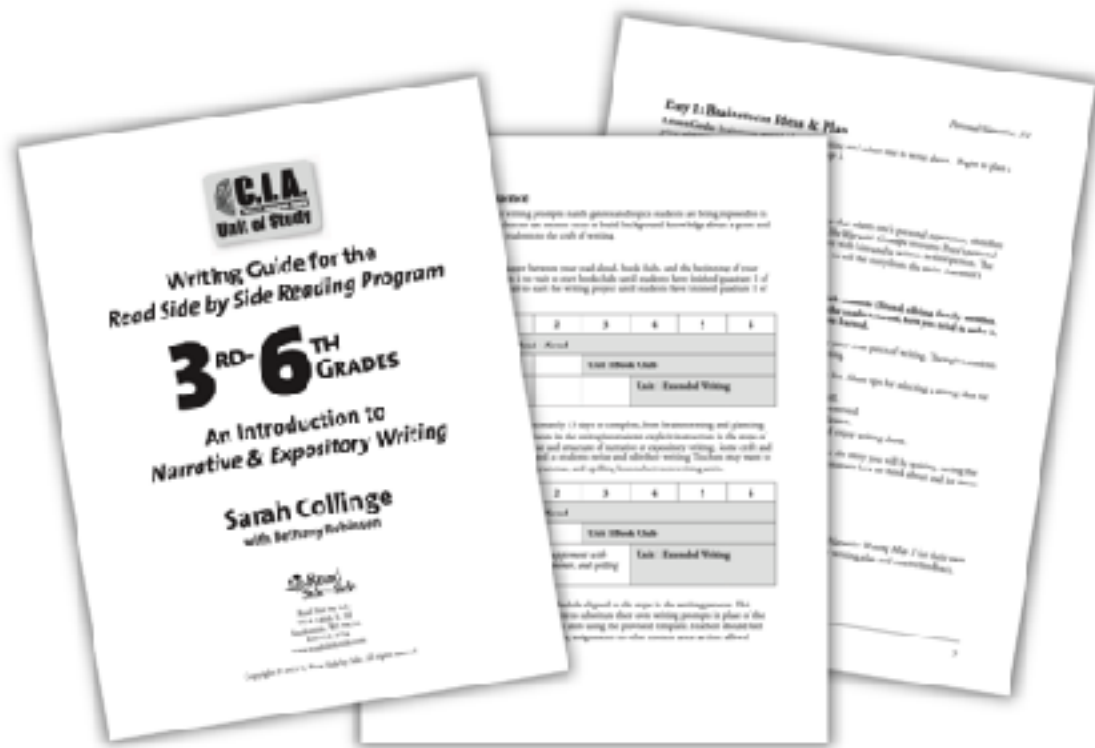
Part 2: Book club lessons provide differentiation and independent practice. Three levels of text are provided: below, on, and above-grade level.

Part 3: Extended reading opportunities include classroom libraries with titles matched to each unit, 16-titles per unit.

All lessons are fully scripted to ensure students receive explicit instruction and guided practice. Scripts are written to value teacher's time and expertise!

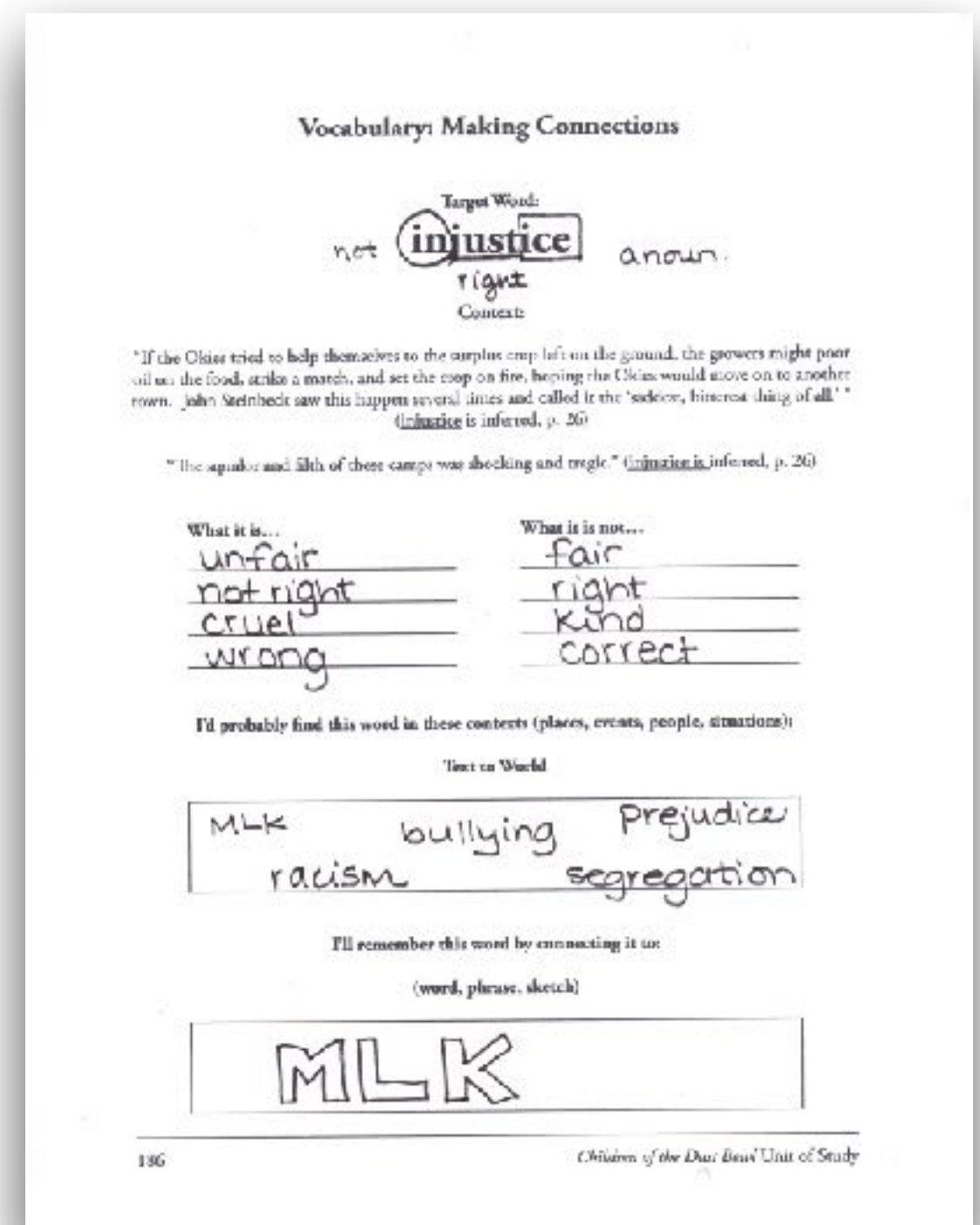


Additional tools to support teachers!



New writing units create more opportunities for the integration of reading and writing. Students use the read-aloud texts as mentors.

Vocabulary is explicitly taught and practiced. A daily vocabulary routine teaches students to use morphemes and context clues to determine the meaning of words. A vocabulary handbook is provided for each student with a morpheme glossary at the front.



A sample student page in the vocabulary handbook.



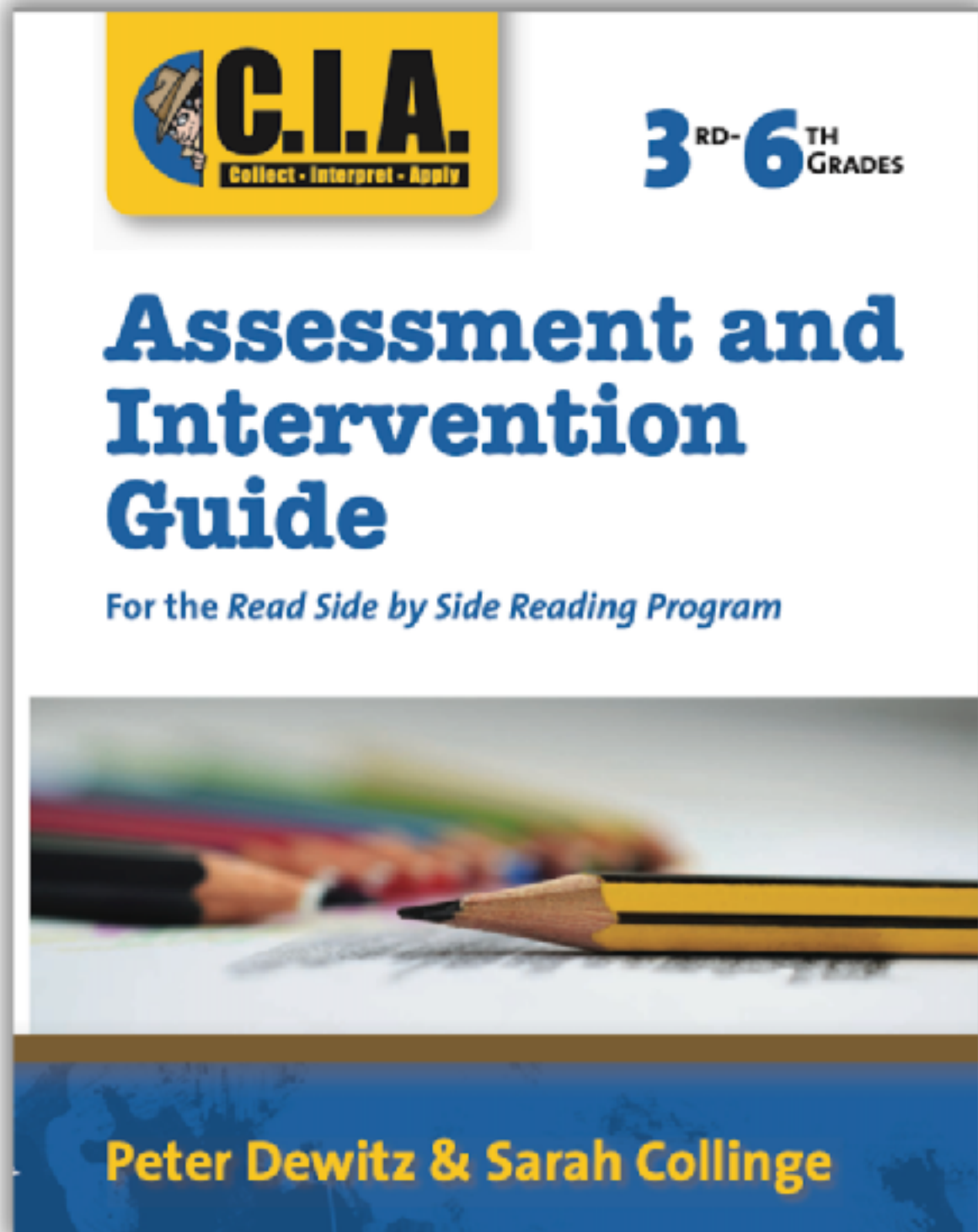
Teacher portal with downloadable tools and resources for teachers using the program!

*No subscriptions or contracts!

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Assessments and interventions provided!

Formative assessments take the lead, reducing the impact of assessment on instructional time.



- ✓ **Checklists & Rubrics**
- ✓ **Nationally Normed Qualifiers**
- ✓ **Running Records**
- ✓ **Exit Tickets (Reading Guides)**
- ✓ **Conference Forms**
- ✓ **And more!**

Strategies for working with students who struggle with phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension!



All assessments can be downloaded from the website!

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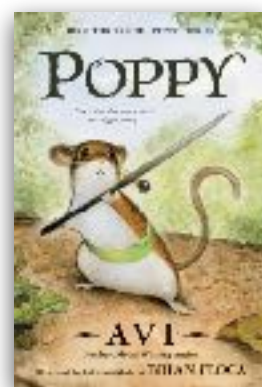
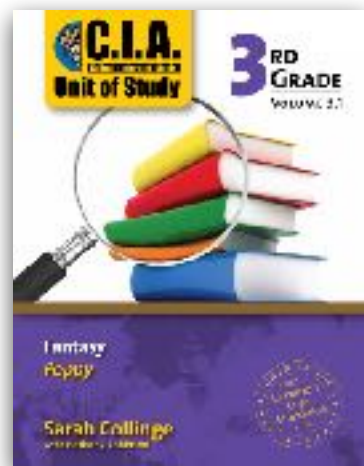
3rd Grade Reading Curriculum

Read-Aloud Units of Study

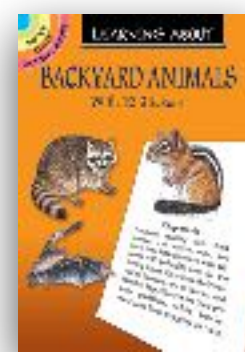
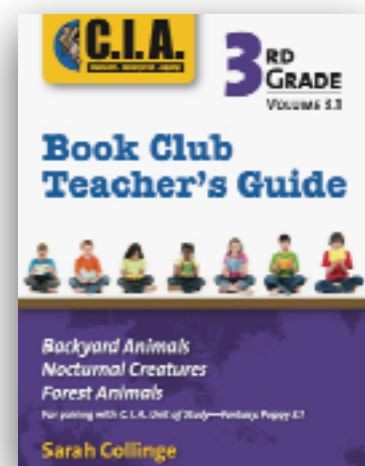
Book Club Teacher's Guides

Book Boxes for Extended Reading

Unit 3.1



Poppy



Backyard
Animals



Nocturnal
Creatures

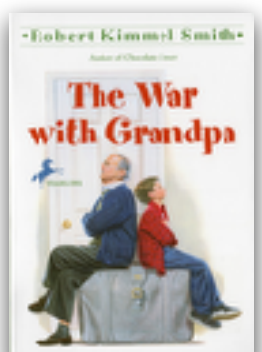
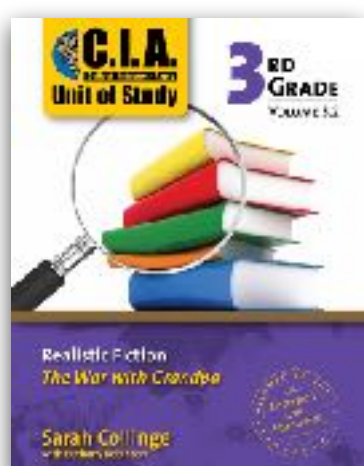


Forest
Animals

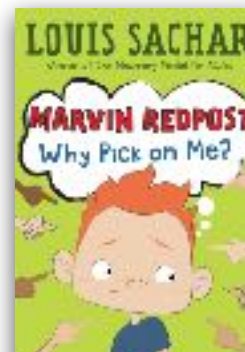
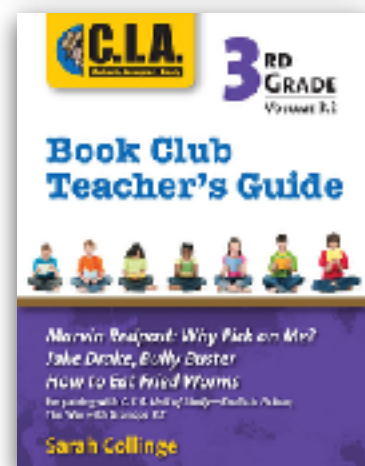


3.1 Book Box
Set of 16 Titles

Unit 3.2



The War with
Grandpa



Marvin Redpost
Why Pick on Me?



Jake Drake
Bully Buster

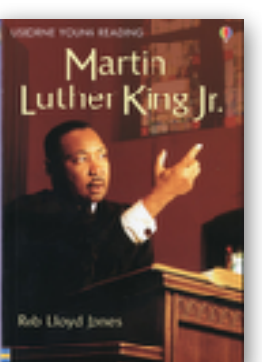
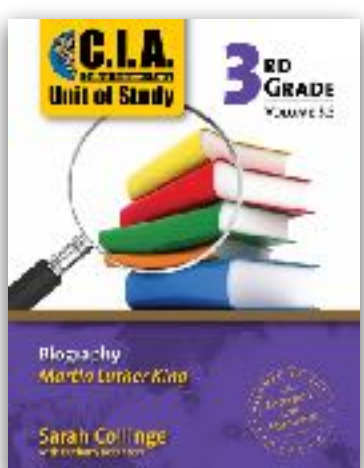


Beezus and
Ramona

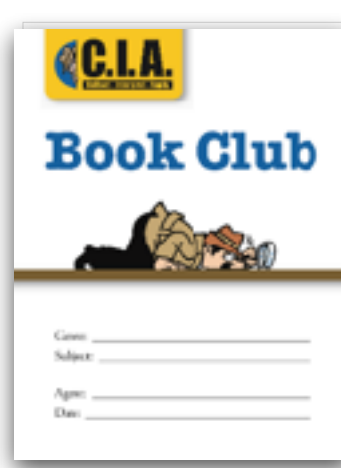
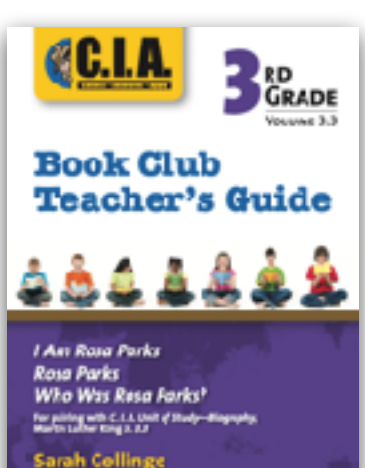


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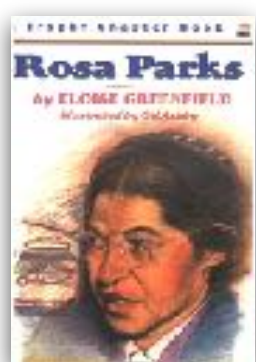
Unit 3.3



Martin Luther
King, Jr.



I Am
Rosa Parks



Rosa Parks

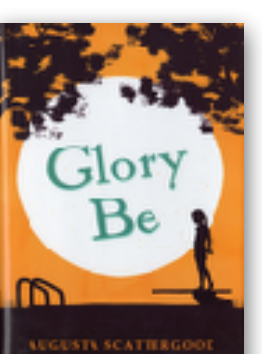
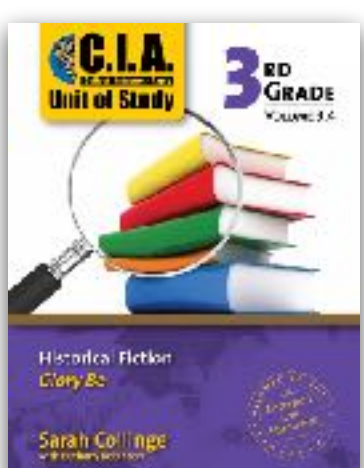


Who Was Rosa Parks?

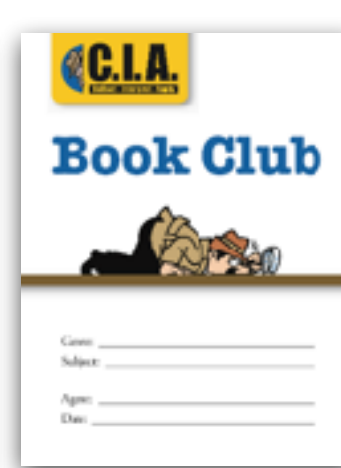
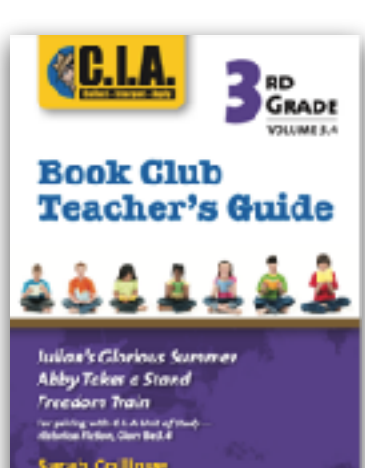


3.3 Book Box
Set of 16 Titles

Unit 3.4



Glory Be



Julian's Glorious
Summer



Abby Takes
a Stand



Freedom
Train

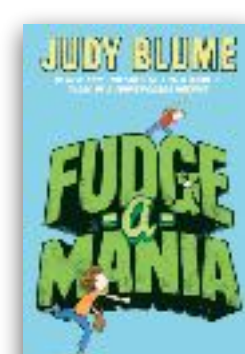
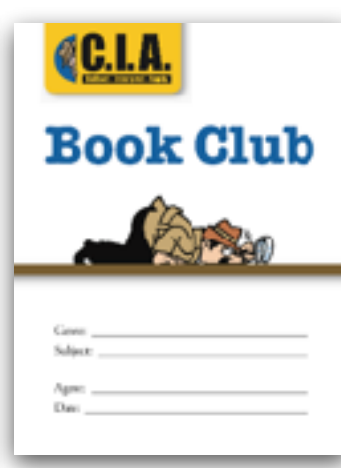
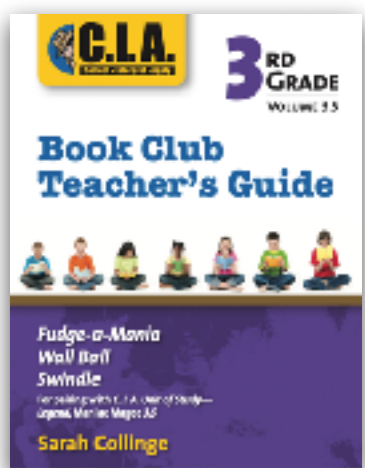


3.4 Book Box
Set of 16 Titles

Unit 3.5



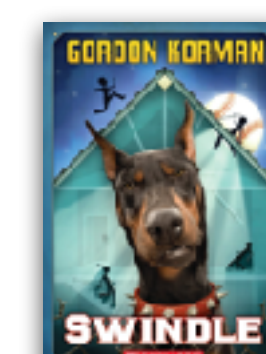
Maniac Magee



Fudge-A-
Mania



Wall Ball



Swindle



3.5 Book Box
Set of 16 Titles

Third-grade students explore the topic of conflict—
at home and school, in the community and world.
The learn about the Civil Rights Movement.

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4th Grade Reading Curriculum

	Read-Aloud Units of Study		Book Club Teacher's Guides		Book Boxes for Extended Reading			
Unit 4.1	 <p>Realistic Fiction <i>Shiloh</i> Sarah Collinge with Anthony Bellizzi</p>	 <p><i>Shiloh</i> Philip Barlow</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.1</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.1</p>	 <p><i>Shoeshine Girl</i> Cynthia Rylant</p>	 <p><i>Because of Winn-Dixie</i> Kate DiCamillo</p>	 <p><i>How to Steal a Dog</i> Barbara O'Connor</p>	 <p>4.1 Book Box Set of 16 Titles</p>
Unit 4.2	 <p>Epic Fantasy <i>The Castle in the Attic</i> Sarah Collinge with Anthony Bellizzi</p>	 <p><i>THE CASTLE IN THE ATTIC</i> Bruce Coville</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.2</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.2</p>	 <p><i>THE WEEPING WEREWOLF</i> Virginia Lee Corbin</p>	 <p><i>THE DRAGONSLAYERS</i> Bruce Coville</p>	 <p><i>INTO THE LAND OF THE UNICORNS</i> Barbara O'Connor</p>	 <p>4.2 Book Box Set of 16 Titles</p>
Unit 4.3	 <p>Biography <i>Streams to the River, River to the Sea</i> Sarah Collinge with Anthony Bellizzi</p>	 <p><i>STREAMS TO THE RIVER, RIVER TO THE SEA</i> Robert D. Bell</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.3</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.3</p>	 <p><i>GOING ALONG WITH LEWIS & CLARK</i> John H. Johnson</p>	 <p><i>GOING ALONG WITH LEWIS & CLARK</i> John H. Johnson</p>	 <p>4.3 Book Box Set of 16 Titles</p>	
Unit 4.4	 <p>Narrative Non-Fiction <i>Children of the Gold Rush</i> Sarah Collinge with Anthony Bellizzi</p>	 <p><i>CHILDREN OF THE GOLD RUSH</i> John H. Johnson</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.4</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.4</p>	 <p><i>THE YEAR OF MISS AGNES</i> Barbara O'Connor</p>	 <p><i>RIDING FREEDOM</i> Brian Selznick</p>	 <p><i>THE SIGN OF THE BEAVER</i> Elizabeth George Speare</p>	 <p>4.4 Book Box Set of 16 Titles</p>
Unit 4.5	 <p>Historical Fiction <i>Aurora of the Yukon</i> Sarah Collinge with Anthony Bellizzi</p>	 <p><i>AURORE OF THE YUKON</i> Katherine Rundell</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.5</p>	 <p>Book Club Teacher's Guide Volume 4.5</p>	 <p><i>THE KIDS' BOOK OF CANADA'S RAILWAY</i> John H. Johnson</p>	 <p><i>THE KIDS' BOOK OF CANADA'S RAILWAY</i> John H. Johnson</p>	 <p>4.5 Book Box Set of 16 Titles</p>	

Fourth-grade students explore the theme of a personal journey as they learn about westward expansion, and the pioneering spirit.

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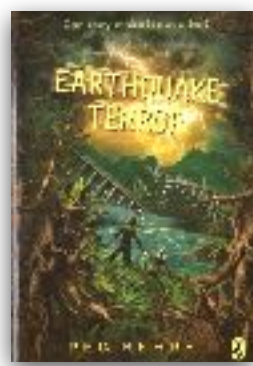
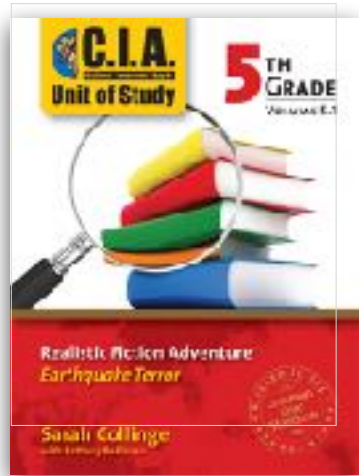
5th Grade Reading Curriculum

Read-Aloud Units of Study

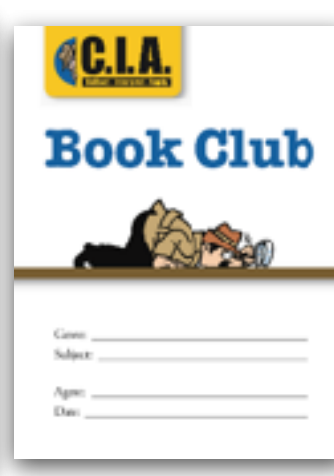
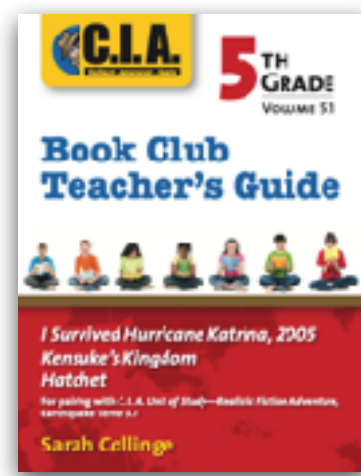
Book Club Teacher's Guides

Book Boxes for Extended Reading

Unit
5.1



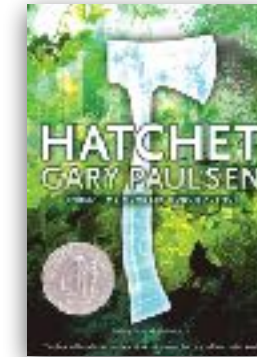
Earthquake
Terror



I Survived
Hurricane Katrina



Kensuke's
Kingdom

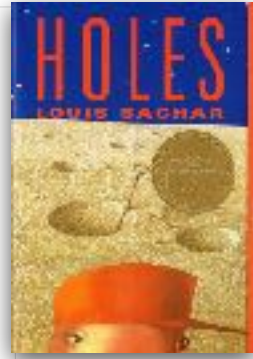
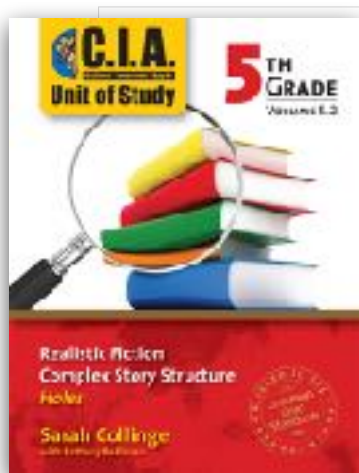


Hatchet

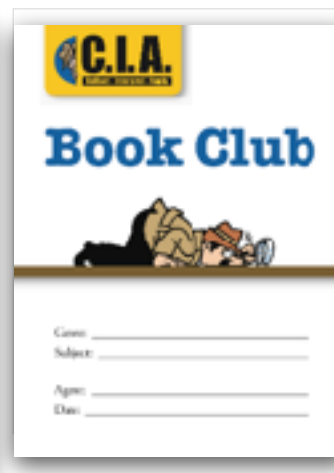
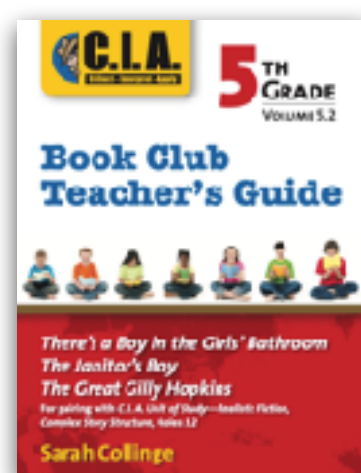


5.1 Book Box
Set of 16 Titles

Unit
5.2



Holes



There's a Boy
in the Girls'
Bathroom



The Janitor's
Boy

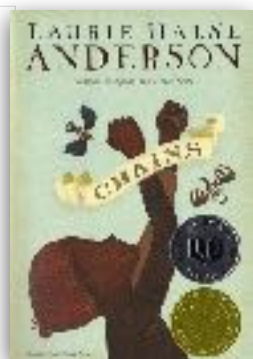
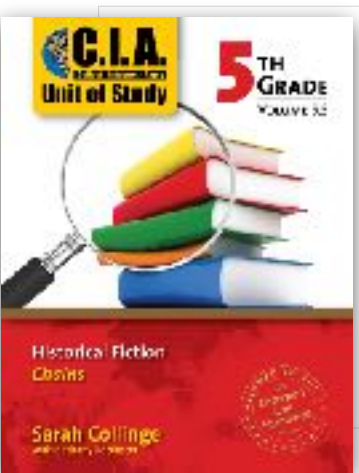


Wonder

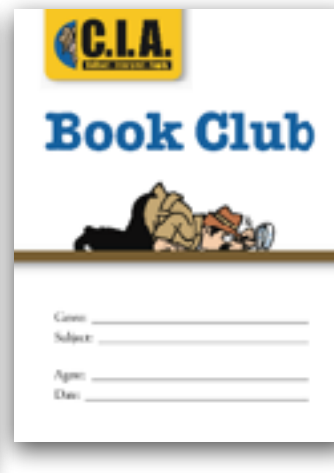
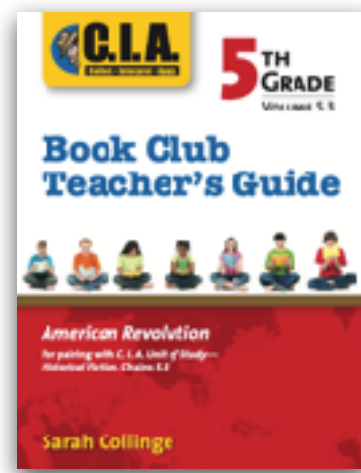


5.2 Book Box
Set of 16 Titles

Unit
5.3



Chains

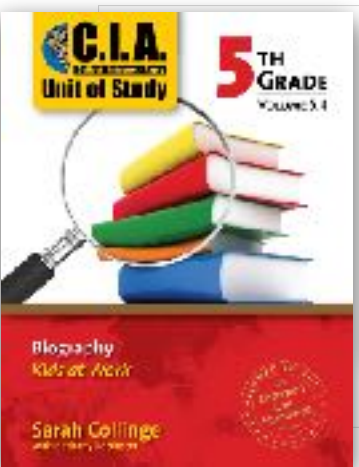


American
Revolution

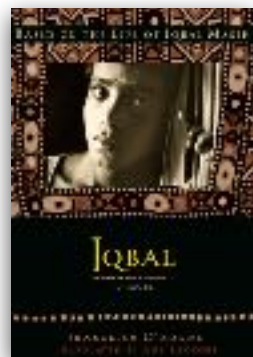
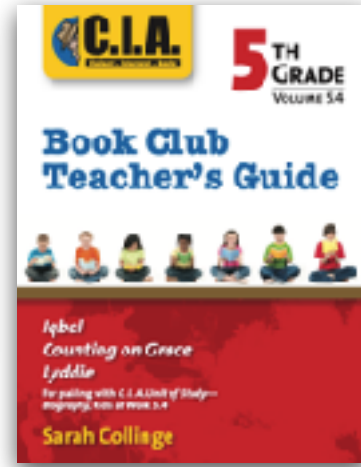


5.3 Book Box
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Unit
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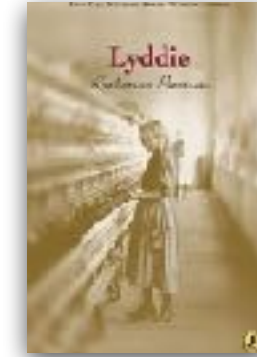
Kids at Work



Iqbal



Counting on
Grace

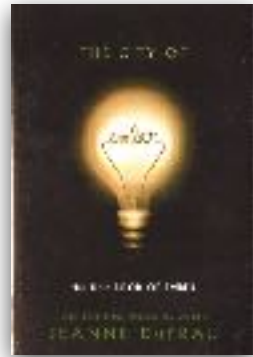
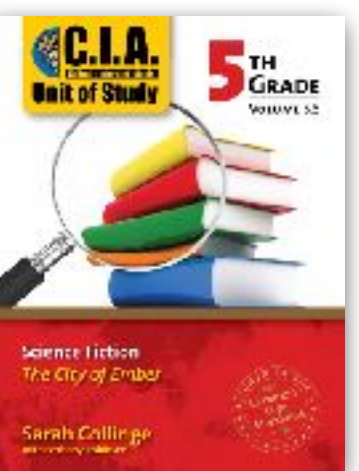


Lyddie

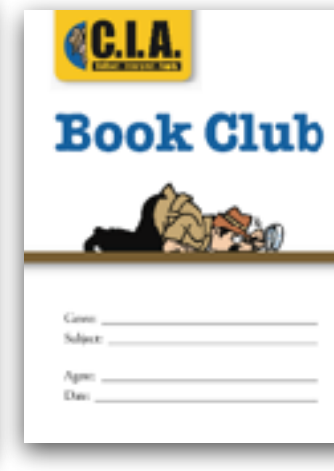
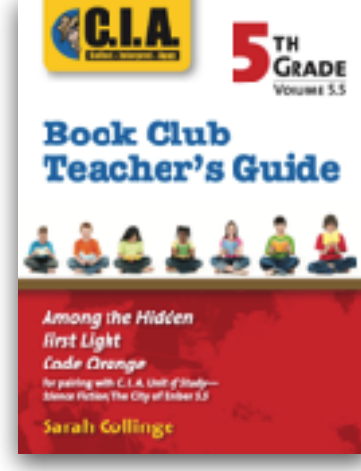


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Unit
5.5



The City
of Ember



Among
the Hidden



First Light



Code Orange

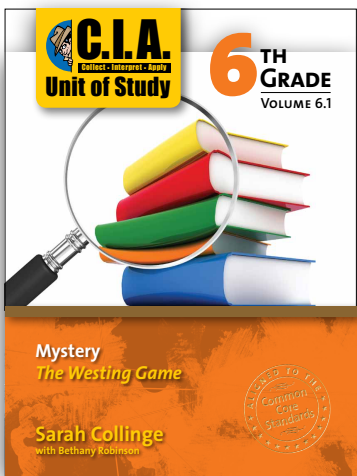
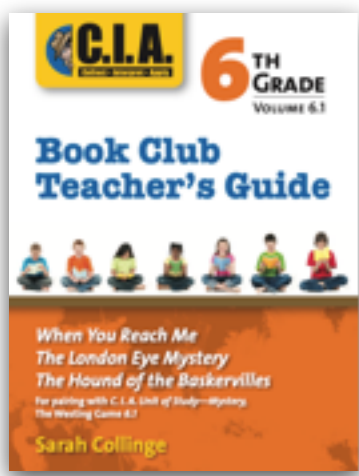
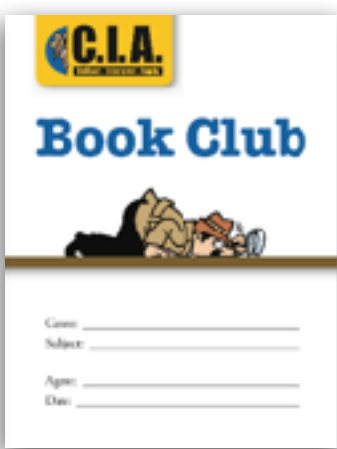


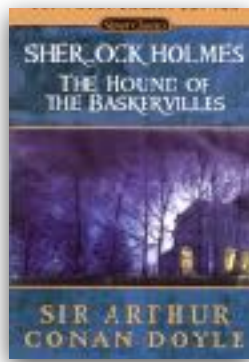

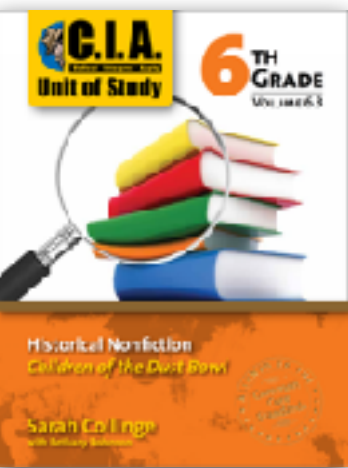
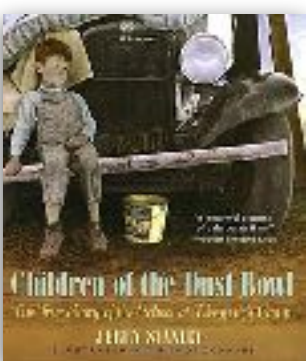
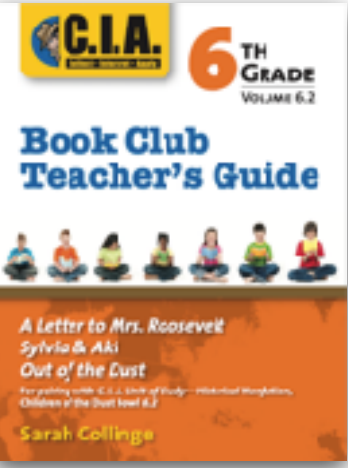
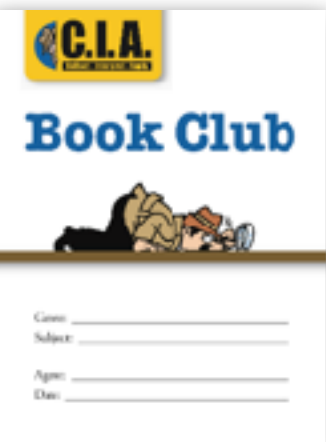


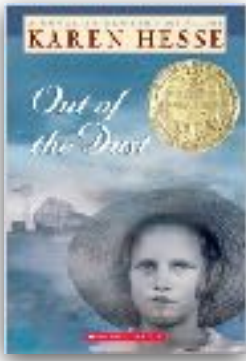

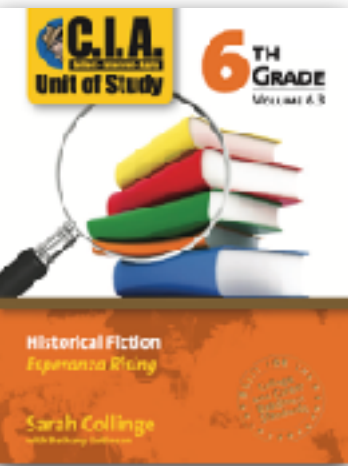

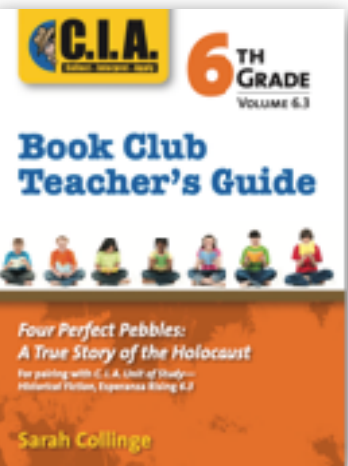
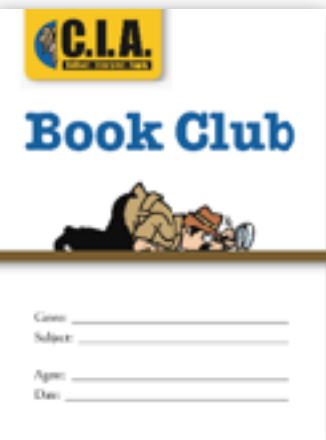




5.5 Book Box
Set of 16 Titles

Fifth-grade students explore the theme survival and read about the American Revolution, the Industrial Revolution and slavery.

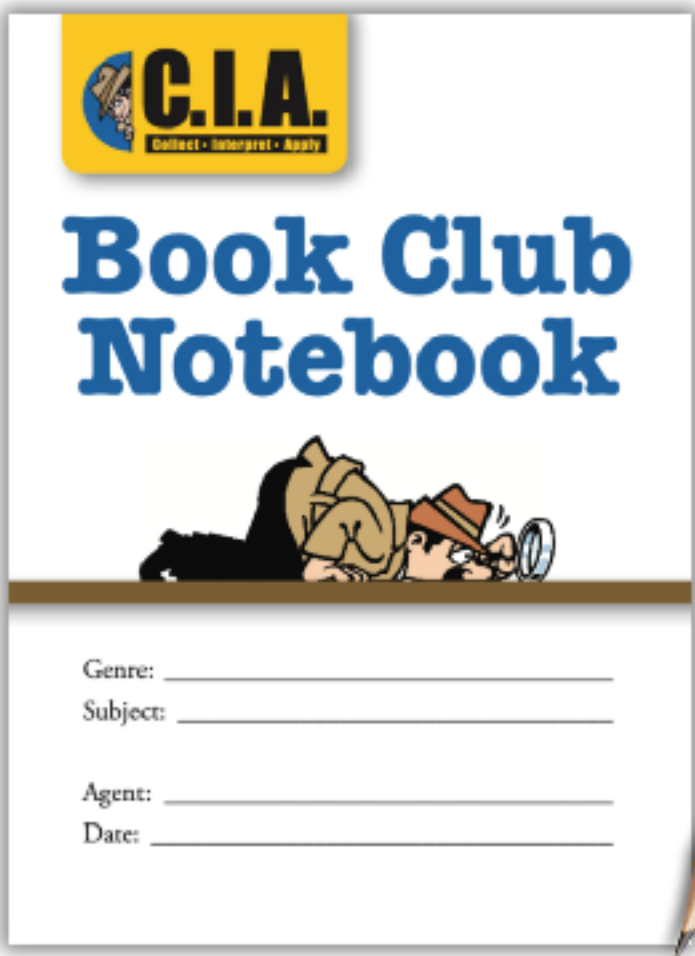
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6th Grade Reading Curriculum

Read-Aloud Units of Study		Book Club Teacher's Guides				Book Boxes for Extended Reading				
Unit 6.1								 6.1 Book Box Set of 16 Titles		
	Unit 6.2								 6.2 Book Box Set of 16 Titles	
		Unit 6.3								 6.3 Book Box Set of 16 Titles

Sixth-grade students explore the theme of the American Dream, and the push and pull factors that caused people to move during.

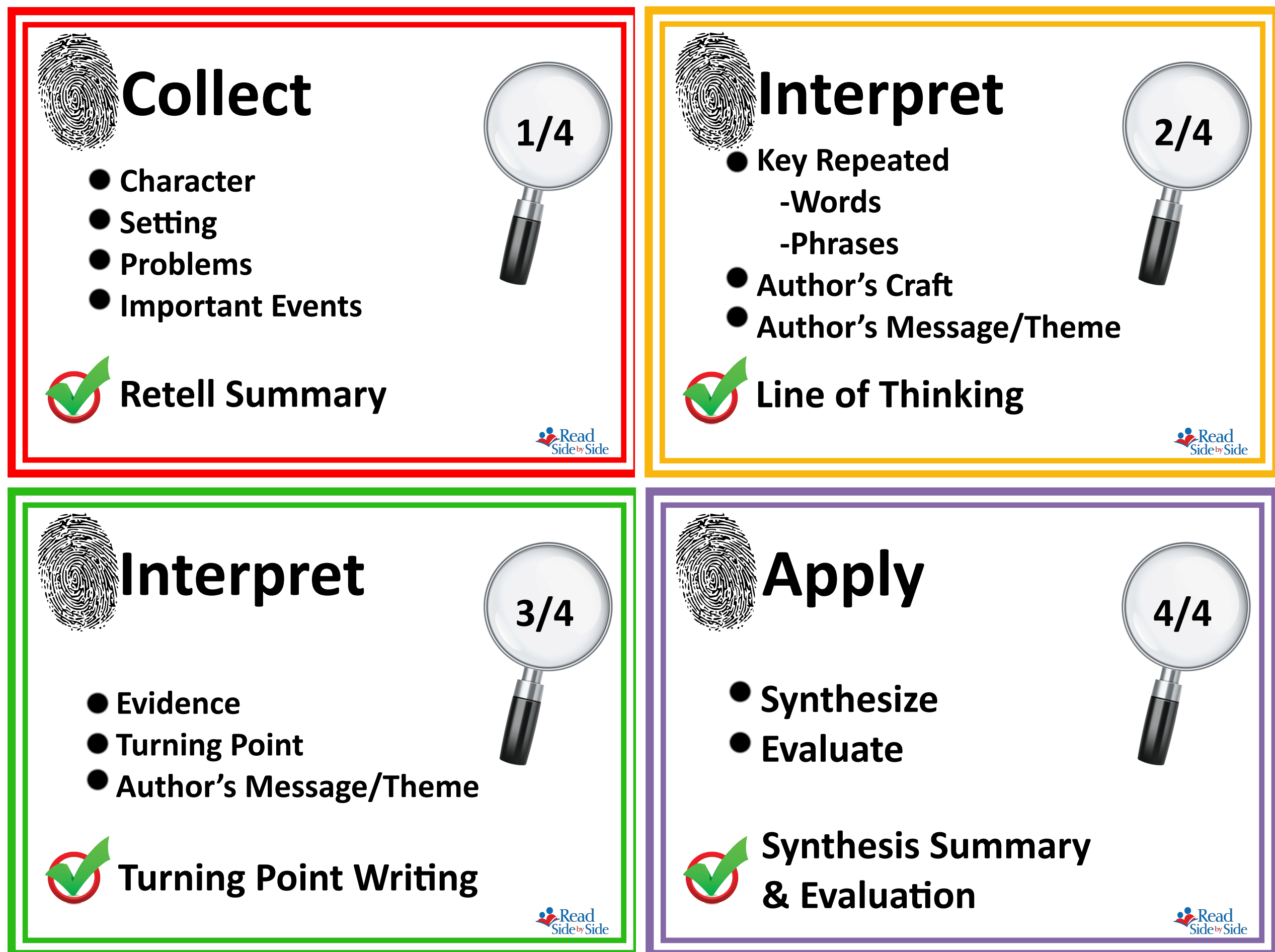
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For each of the book clubs in the program, students will need a *Book Club Notebook*. This is the primary consumable used at all grade-levels.

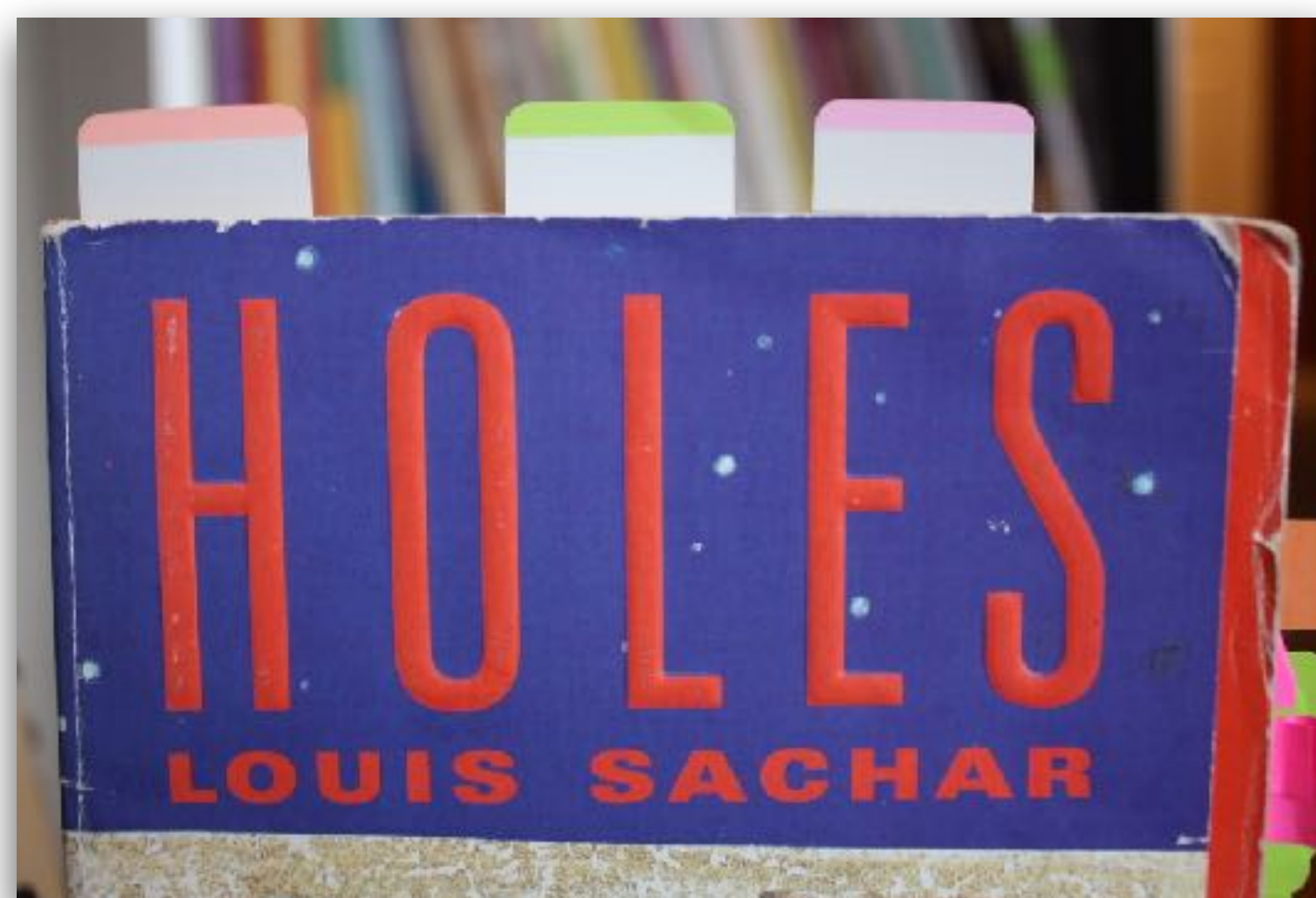
A text-structure approach to comprehension.

Students are taught to divide a chapter book into 4-quadrants and read using a plan-of-action titled CIA (Collect-Interpret-Apply).

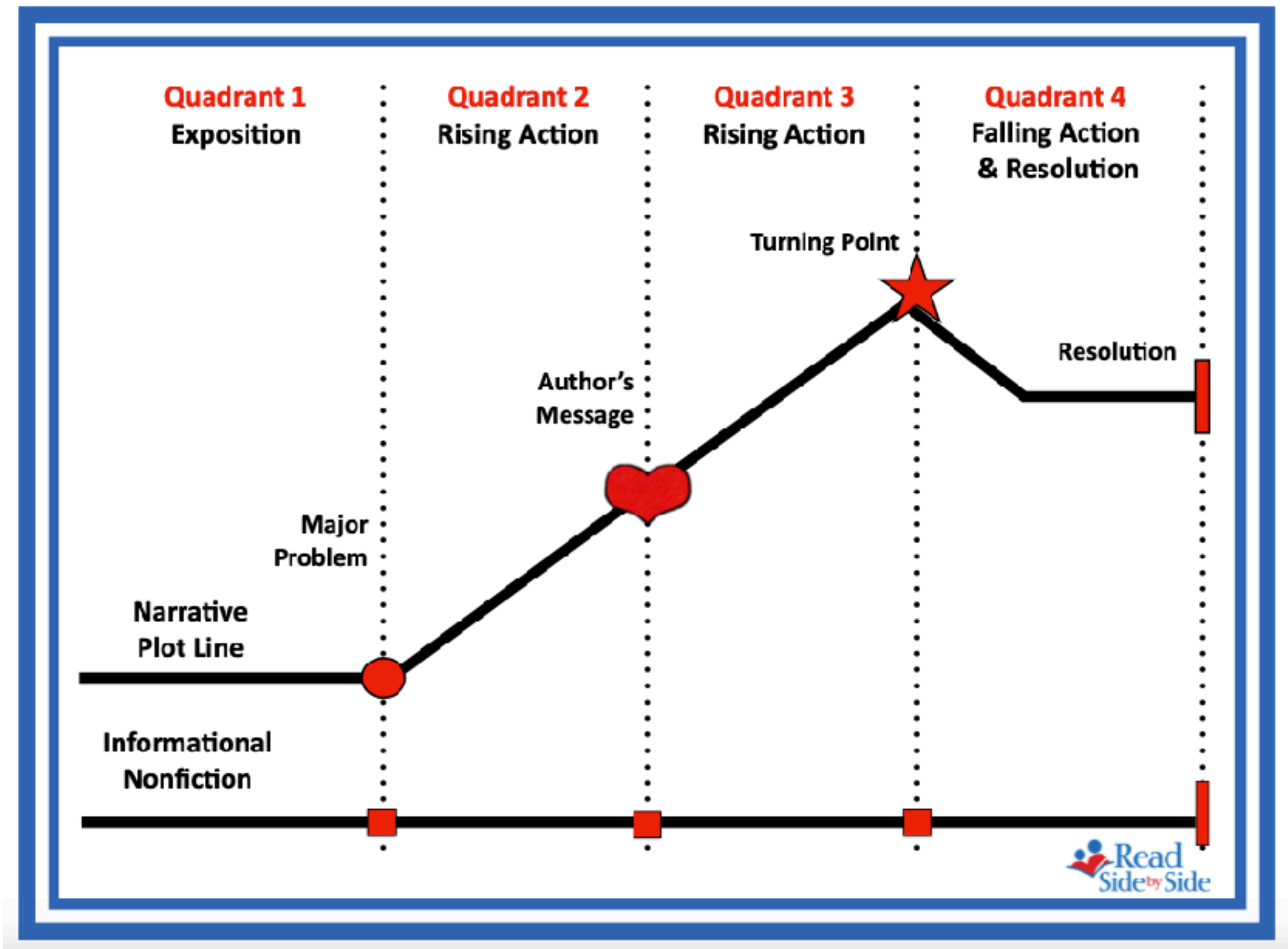


1. **Divide** the number of pages in the book by four.
2. **Mark** the end of each quadrant by using sticky-notes.
3. **Read** using the **C. I. A. Approach** (Collect-Interpret-Apply)

A chapter book divided into quadrants prior to reading.



The CIA approach matches up to the plot line!



All units explicitly teach the CIA approach.

Students learn to be *reading detectives*.

They learn to think strategically and deeply.

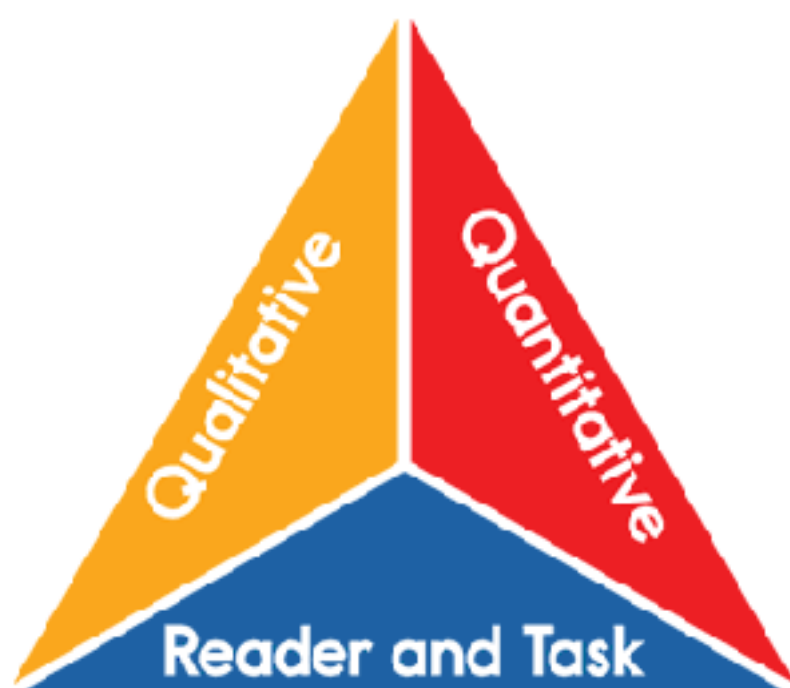
The CIA Approach	Anchor Standards
Collect Critical Information	Key Ideas & Details Standards 1-3
Interpret the Text	Craft & Structure Standards 4-6
Apply to Your Life	Integration of Knowledge Standards 7-9

Students read 36 chapter books!

No other program on the market attends to reading volume the way this program does!



Students read **3-times** the number of words as they do in traditional, basal reading programs (Dewitz, 2016)!



Texts increase in complexity as students progress across a school year, and across the 3-6 band. Texts are selected for their:

- Qualitative level,
- Length & task demand,
- Quantitative level,
- Appeal and appropriateness by grade.

For private, Christian schools, we provide an alignment to the **5 principals of Godly living**.

A daily schedule prioritizes reading.

45 min. Read-Aloud	45 min. Book Clubs	30 min. Language Arts
Vocabulary Instruction Read-Aloud / Writing	Mini Lesson Work Time / Book Club Meetings	Writing Units Supplemental Grammar & Spelling

3rd - 5th grade requires 90-minutes of reading.

Add a 30-minute Language Arts block - *optional*.

Weeks	1	2	3	4	5	6
Read-Aloud	Unit 1 Read-Aloud					
Book Clubs			Unit 1 Book-Club			
Writing				Unit 1 Writing		

3-5 scope and sequence shows a staggered start.

6th grade requires 45-minutes of reading.

Add a 30-minute Language Arts block - *optional*.

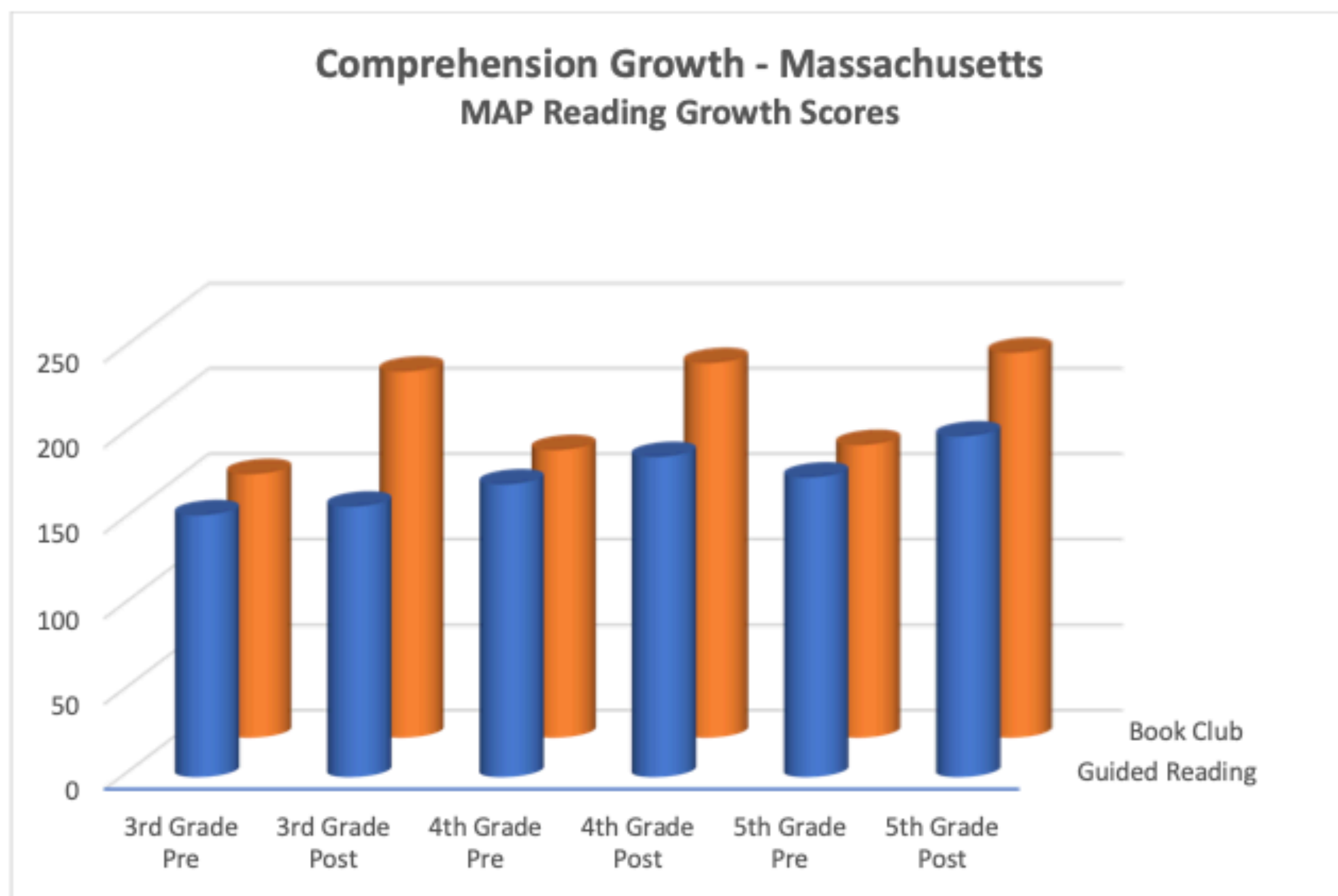
Weeks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Read-Aloud/ Book Club	Unit 1 Read-Aloud					Unit 1 Book Club							
Writing											Unit 1 Writing		

6th scope and sequence alternates between read-aloud and book club instruction across the year to accommodate a middle school schedule.

Proven to increase motivation and skill!

The program was formally evaluated in 2017 using a quasi-experimental study. Results showed significant growth in motivation and reading achievement!

Overall effect size 0.86!



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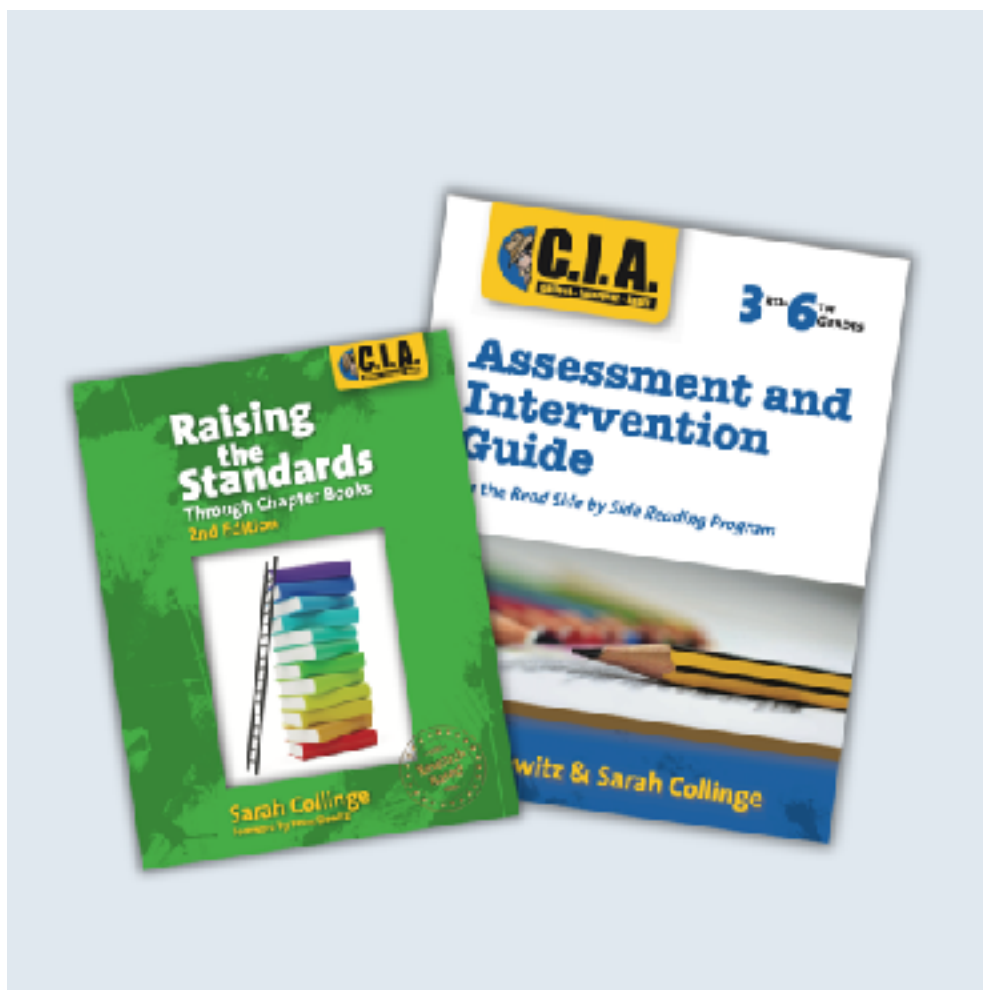
Read the complete summary of the study:
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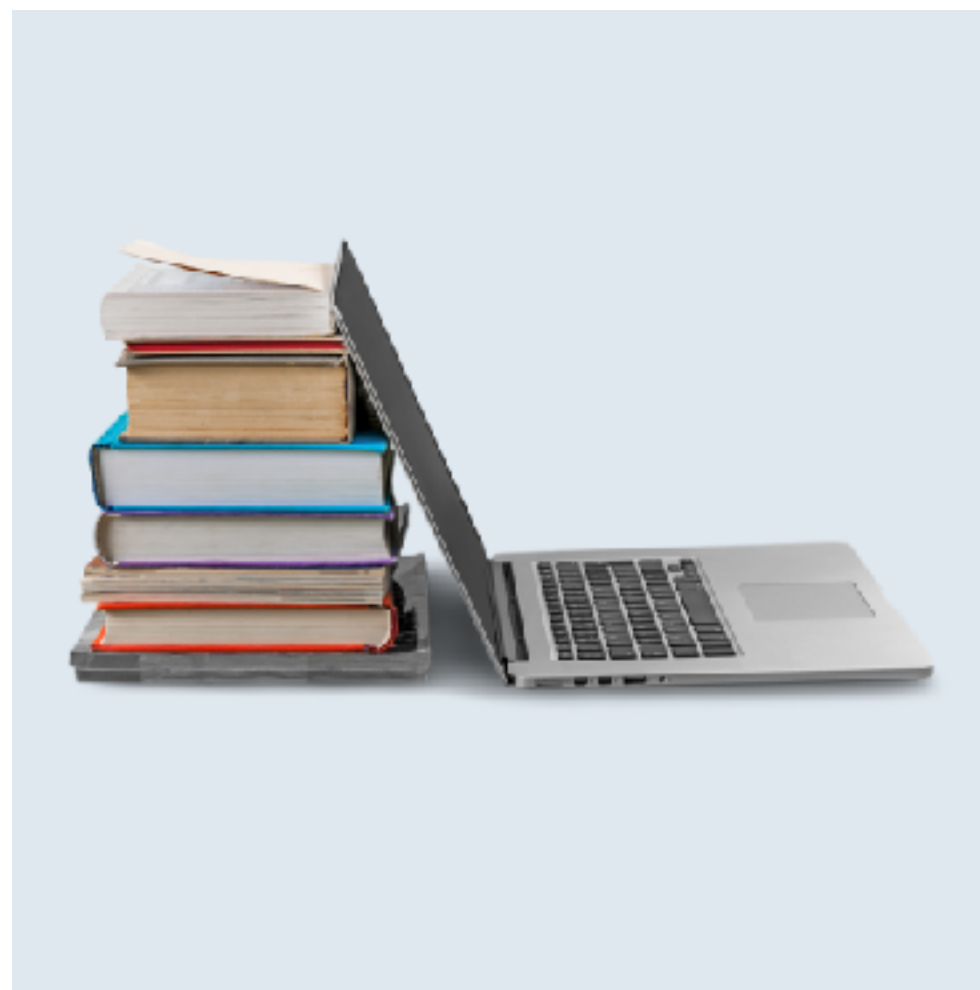
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STEP 1: Read!



As you read, watch short videos to go with each chapter.

STEP 2: Attend Web Calls.



3-hours of onboarding training plus ongoing support as needed.

STEP 3: Teach!



Scripted lesson plans help you grow your knowledge!

Adopt a reading program everyone will love!

“This program sets the bar for reading instruction! It enables all students to love reading and find success!”

3rd Grade Teacher, WA

Frequently Asked Questions

Do the units need to be taught in order?

Thematic units build knowledge across a grade level and the 3-6 sequence. Students will transfer learning from one unit to the next. Texts increase in complexity across the year. For this reason, it is recommended that the units be taught in the order suggested.

How is the use of technology incorporated?

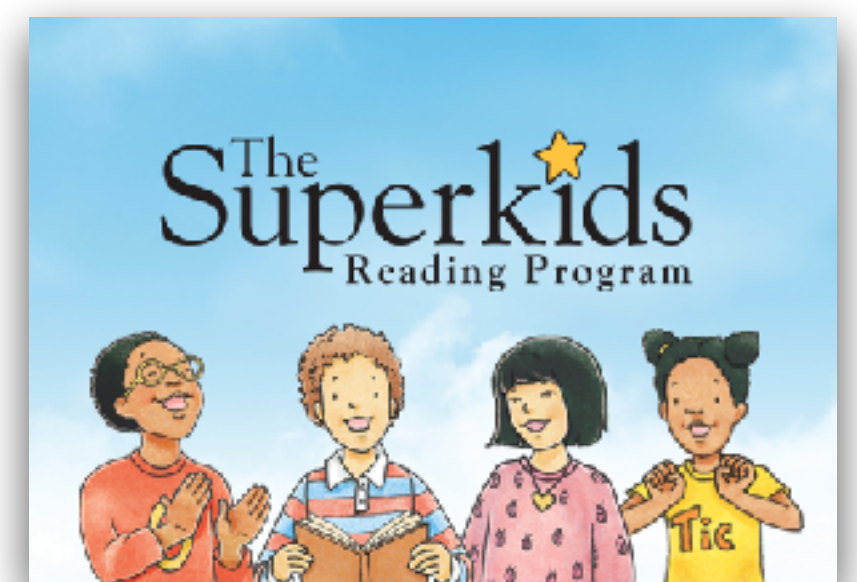
The program does not require any use of technology. Teachers are encouraged to use technology to enhance the program. Online teacher resources are provided at Readsidebyside.com/resources. Teachers will find links to nonfiction articles, and fillable forms to share with students for assessment purposes. All of the student notebooks are also available as e-notebooks. Units at each grade level have been converted to virtual units for pandemic teaching and homeschool programs.

Does the program teach spelling & grammar?

Explicit spelling and grammar instruction is not fully provided. Spelling and grammar may need to be supplemented with other programs. We recommend products by Zaner-Bloser, Inc.

What about K-2?

We partner with Zaner-Bloser Inc. to recommend *The Superkids Reading Program* for K-2 students. This program explicitly teaches foundational skill and transitions easily to into chapter book reading.



More FAQ's can be found at:
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