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#### KinderLiteracy Overview Map Unit I: Listen and Explore



Book Titles	Theme			
Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister (Required Text) I am Sharing by Mercer Mayer (Optional Text)	Sharing			
Huggapotamus by Steve Metzger (Required Text) Crayon Box That Talked by Shane Derolf (Optional Text)	Friendship			
Apples for Everyone by Jill Esbaum (Required Text) Ten Red Apples by Pat Hutchins (Optional Text)	Apples			
A Tree for All Seasons by Robin Benard (Required Text) Tap the Magic Tree by Christie Matheson (Optional Text)	Seasons			
Transportation in My Neighborhood by Shelly Lyons (Required Text) Trains, Trucks, or Planes by Amy Shields (Optional Text)	Transportation			

#### KinderLiteracy Overview Map Unit I: Listen and Explore



	Literacy Standards																			
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Week I	Х	Х	Х	х	х			Х		Х										
Week 2	Х	Х	Х	х	Х		Х	Х		Х										
Week 3	х										X	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х		х		Х
Week 4	х										X	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х		
Week 5	Х										х	х	х	х		Х	Х	х	Х	

#### Comprehension Strategy/Skill

	Making Connections	Characters	Problem/ Solution	Inferencing	Visualizing		
Week I	X	X					
Week 2	X	X	X				
Week 3	X			X			
Week 4	X			X			
Week 5	Х				X		

#### Why KinderLiteracy Units?

KinderLiteracy units are based upon the close read model. Each week you will focus on one text and each day you will look closely at that text. It will be suggested that you bring in another text for comparison each week as well. The units have been completely planned out for you but with the ability for you to have them meet the individual needs of your students.

Each week you will have essential questions, focus standards, comprehension and story element focuses, and linked writing.

These are just a few highlights you'll see using the KinderLiteracy Units:



Kids TALKING about books



Life Skills



Real-life connections

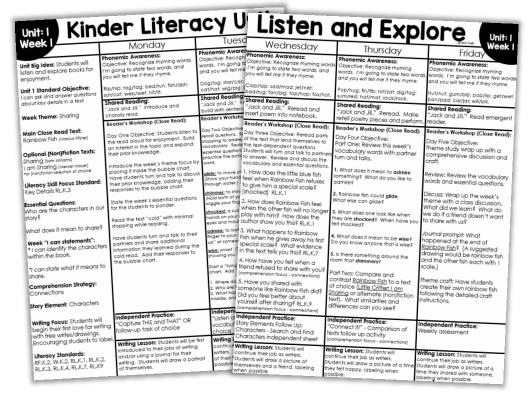


Vocabulary

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## Overview of a Week

Below is a quick overview of how each week will be set up. You'll notice that you might see more than you can squeeze into one day. That is okay and what is best about KinderLiteracy. KinderLiteracy is made with the teacher in mind; pick and choose from the material for what your students need.



A closer look at the lesson plans: The lesson plans for the ENTIRE week are found on a two-page spread. This will greatly ease an overabundance use of paper. You will be able to place the lesson plans in a three-ring binder and lay it open flat to view your entire week. Also, the lesson plans can be read "word-byword." You will not need to retype your lesson plans.

Along the left hand side will be your "guide" for the week. You'll find all your big ideas, standards, focuses, and texts there.

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## Overview of a Week

Below is a sample of the different resources that you will find in each weekly lesson of KinderLiteracy.



A closer look at the additional resources: Each week you will receive all necessary materials to teach the content. You will have two sets of vocabulary cards to choose from as well as a mini-set that could be used in journals. Each week there will be the weekly poem, poem retelling pieces, and word strips to build the poem. Any blackline masters for independent practice will be included as well. Each week there will also be an optional skill check and a craft for students.

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#### Editable Lesson Plans

KinderLiteracy units are made for the teacher! If you should need to edit your weekly lesson plans, you will be able to. Included in the units will be two versions of editable plans. You will have the weekly lesson plans where you can edit the plans to fit your needs. Also included will be a completely blank version of lesson plans for you to create you own plans when needed. KinderLiteracy promotes teacher flexibility. You will be able to customize the unit to fit the needs of your students.

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Optional (Non)Fiction Texts: Your text here						
Literacy Skill Focus Standard: Your text here						
Essential Questions: Your text here						
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#### Best Practices in Close Reading:

#### What is Close Reading?

"Essentially, close reading means reading to uncover layers of meaning that lead to deep comprehension." -Nancy Boyles, Educational Leadership.

"The overarching goal of close reading is to cause students to engage in critical thinking with a text." –Dr. Douglas Fisher, Close Reading in Elementary Classrooms.

- Close, analytic reading stresses engaging with a complex text directly and examining meaning thoroughly and methodically, encouraging students to read and reread with a purpose.
- By directing students attention to the text itself, we empower students to understand the central ideas and key supporting details.
- This purposeful reading enables students to reflect on the meanings of words and sentences; the
  order the sentences unfold; and the development of ideas over the course of the text-which
  ultimately leads to students to understanding the text as a whole.

As close reading practices are implemented over time, students become better equipped to handle more difficult texts, both in the classroom and independently.

#### Components of KinderLiteracy Close Reading and How it Supports Best Practices:

Determine what the text says: Understanding one's purpose for reading is a metacognitive process that supports a reader's comprehension of text. The KinderLiteracy close reading structure requires students to apply their sense of purposeful reading in order to locate information in a text. In addition to KinderLiteracy, teachers can think aloud and model how to read with a purpose by clearly stating the different purposes for them. Before and during reading, students discuss with partners and as a whole group their background knowledge, or schema, about the text topic. KinderLiteracy provides students with opportunities to develop collaborative conversation skills while allowing the integration of text evidence into their discussions. This allows students and teachers to determine their level of knowledge about a topic, which in turn will determine how a reader will read the text. Teachers can help students gain a thorough understanding of the text during the first read by posing low level questions in order to check for understanding and allowing students to turn and talk. After the first reading, students should have an understanding of their level of knowledge on the text topic and have a general understanding of what the text is about. Throughout the week of KinderLiteracy, the text (or parts of the text) will be read more than once, each time with a different purpose for reading.

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#### Best Practices in Close Reading:

Reread the text to focus on unknown words or phrases: The second reading of a KinderLiteracy text during the week usually involves a focus on unknown words or phrases within the text. Students listen tentatively as the teacher reads aloud parts of the text, leading a discussion about any unknown words or phrases. Students can engage with unknown vocabulary in a variety of ways, such as: recording words as they hear them (as opposed to the teacher telling them which words are the vocabulary words), working in partners or small groups to determine the meaning of unknown words based on the text, or using the context clues to determine a "kid friendly" definition of the word/s, as well as pairing an "action" to describe the word.

Deepen understanding through text-dependent questions: "Text-dependent questions are used in reading instruction to promote the habit of rereading the text in order to build schema" (Fisher & Frey, Pearson & Johnson). In KinderLiteracy, these specific questions cause students to dive deeper into the text, and it signals to the reader that the information is complex enough to linger over the details. The text dependent questions move from explicitly stated information (similar to those asked after the first read) to those that require inferential and critical reading. Comprehension deepens at this stage of the lesson, as the basic outline of the text is now understood, allowing students to go back into the text to look for evidence to text dependent questions.

Evaluate the quality and value of the text: The fourth day of KinderLiteracy involves comparing the text in a variety of ways. The purpose for reading on this day provides students with opportunities to develop conversational skills while they integrate evidence from the text into their discussions. The collaboration that takes place on this day allows students to make a claim about the text, provide evidence to support the claim, and offer counter claims, all of which are necessary skills to be college and career ready. Comparisons of the text and author's purpose can also be done through collaborative projects in which students must work together toward a common goal. Research conducted by John Hattie tells us that activities that involve cooperative learning, goal setting, and problem solving all have high effects on student learning. All of these components take place in this close reading structure.

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#### Best Practices in Close Reading:

Strive for meaning through a writing prompt or extended discussion with a focus on synthesizing: The final stage of the close reading model involves a post-reading task to demonstrate understanding of the standards and skills taught throughout the close reading lesson. The main focus of this day is to present students with a task that is not completely based on personal experience, but requires them to have read and deeply understood the text in order to complete the task. Students can demonstrate understanding through a written response, project, or discussion. This final task is a way to finalize the learning from the week. Students can use their annotations from the text, details from the collaborative discussions they have had throughout the week, as well as feedback they have received from the teacher in order to construct a thorough and well-constructed response to demonstrate understanding.

#### Phonemic Awareness instruction for Kindergarten and First Grade Lessons: Why is that important?

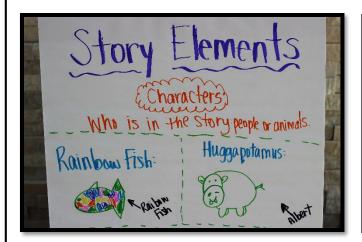
"Phonemic awareness and letter knowledge have been identified in several research studies (Anderson, Hiebert, Scott, & Wilkerson, 1985; Adams, 1990; Snow, Burns, & Griffin, 1998) as the two key indicators of how well children will master beginning reading skills during the first two years in school. Because it plays such a vital role in forming the foundation of reading development, phonemic awareness is the first thread in the tapestry of reading" (Threads of Reading, Karen Tankersley). The addition of daily phonemic awareness instruction in kindergarten and first grade lessons is vital to tying together decoding and comprehension as a young reader.

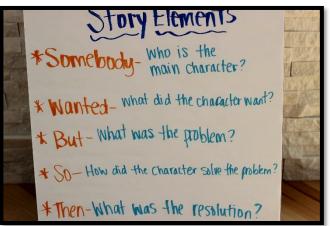
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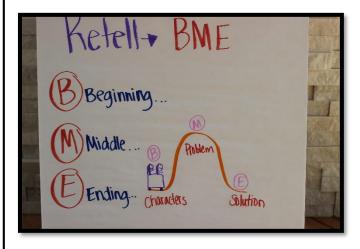
## "Living" Anchor Charts

KinderLiteracy units support the use of "living" anchor charts. Living anchor charts encourage that you and your students are constantly adding learning to your anchor charts. Each week new information is added. You are then able to provide the students with reminders and/or cues to their prior learning. This helps students build upon their previous learning. This also allows students to learn that knowledge is never learned without a purpose. Therefore, we will constantly be referencing back to anchor chart and adding on. With living anchor charts you'll also be able compare and contrast stories, events, and characters with ease.

#### Story Elements Anchor Charts







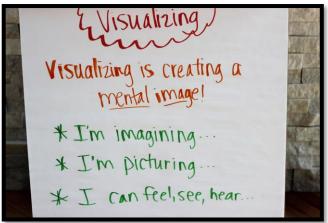


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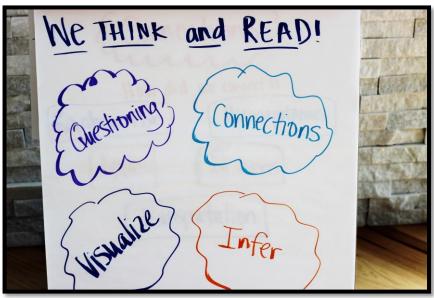
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#### **Comprehension Anchor Charts**







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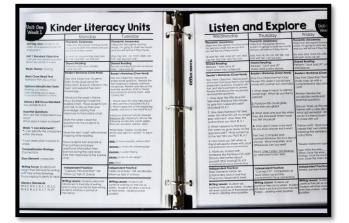
# Organizing the Units



KinderLiteracy Units organized in a 1" binder



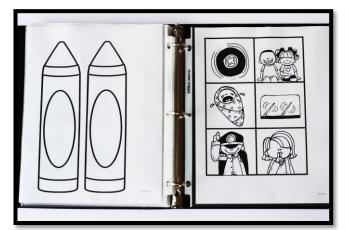
Overview Maps



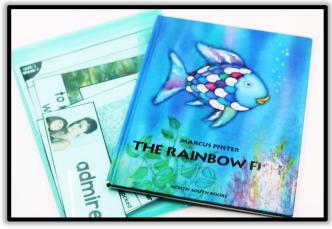
Lesson plans in a two page view



Weekly pieces stored easily in a clear page protector



Blackline masters stored in a page protector for easy copying access



Alternate: Store each week in its own folder

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# Week | KinderLiteracy Units

Monday **Phonemic Awareness:** 

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**Unit Big Idea:** Students will listen and explore books for enjoyment.

Objective: Recognize rhyming words. I'm going to state two words, and you will tell me if they rhyme.

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Tuesday

I can ask and answer questions about key details in a text.

Unit 1 Standard Objective:

Rip/hip; rag/tag; bed/run; fish/dish; sat/cat; web/wet; hit/lit.

Dog/log; star/car; mom/dad; cat/hat; wig/pig; bat/ball; beg/leg.

Week Theme: Sharing

**Shared Reading:** "Jack and Jill." Introduce and

chorally read.

Shared Reading: "Jack and Jill." Reread chorally and build with sentence strips.

Main Close Read Text: Rainbow Fish {Marcus Pfister} Reader's Workshop {Close Read}:

Reader's Workshop (Close Read):

#### Optional (Non)Fiction Texts:

Day One Objective: Students listen to the read aloud for enjoyment. Build an interest in the topic and expand their prior knowledge.

Day Two Objective: Ask/answer simple recall questions. Reread the text, stopping to address unknown vocabulary. Review and discuss the essential auestions. Have students practice the action to remember the word.

Sharing (Sam Williams) I am Sharing (Mercer Mayer)

\*or {non}fiction selection of choice

Introduce the week's theme focus by placing it inside the bubble (schema) chart. Have students turn

and talk to discuss their prior

to the bubble (schema) chart.

glide: to move smoothly without effort (Show your hand in a gliding movement through water.) shimmer: to shine with a flickering light

Literacy Skill Focus Standard: Kev Details RL.K.3

> State the week's essential questions for the students to ponder.

knowledge, adding their responses

(Hold both of your hands straight up and wiggle your fingers.) **shocked:** a sudden feeling (Put both hands on your cheeks and open your eyes and mouth wide.)

**Essential Questions:** 

our story?

Who are the characters in

What does it mean to share?

Read the text "cold" with minimal stopping while reading.

information they learned during the cold read. Add their responses to

the bubble (schema) chart. Use an

alternate marker color to note the

admire: to look at with delight (Put your finger to your chin and pretend to "look up" at someone you admire.)

#### Week "I can statements":

Have students turn and talk to their \* I can identify the characters partners and share additional within the book.

new learning.

wise: smart (Tap both sides of your head showing you thinking.)

\*I can state what it means to share.

Start a "Characters We Have Learned" anchor chart. Add on the Rainbow Fish card and included characters cards.

#### **Comprehension Strategy:**

Connections

1. Where does this story take place? 2. Who are the characters? RL.K.3

**Story Element:** Characters

3. What happened at the beginning, middle, and end of the story? RL.K.2

Writing Focus: Students will begin their first love for writing with free writes/drawings. Encouraging students to label.

#### **Independent Practice:**

"Capture THIS and THAT" OR followup task of choice

**Independent Practice:** "Listen and Draw" OR vocabulary follow-up task of choice

#### **Literacy Standards:**

RF.K.2, W.K.2, RL.K.1, RL.K.2, RL.K.3, RL.K.4, RL.K.7, RL.K9

Writing Lesson: Students will be first introduced to their jobs at writing and/or using a journal for their writing. Students will draw a portrait of themselves.

Writing Lesson: Students will continue working on their job as writers. Students will draw a picture of their family, labeling where possible.

## Listen and Explore

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#### Wednesday

#### Thursday **Phonemic Awareness:**

#### Friday **Phonemic Awareness:**

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you will tell me if they rhyme. Clap/lap; sad/mad; jet/net; bad/rug; fan/big; top/hop; fox/hot.

Pop/hug; fin/fib; rat/sat; dig/tag; sum/red; hat/mat; sock/rock.

Hut/nut; gum/bib; pop/lip; get/wet; pan/pad; car/jar; will/bill. Shared Reading:

"Jack and Jill." Read emergent

"Jack and Jill." Reread and insert poem into notebook.

**Shared Reading:** 

"Jack and Jill." Reread. Make retell poetry pieces and perform.

turn and talks.

**Shared Reading:** 

reader. Reader's Workshop (Close Read): Reader's Workshop {Close Read}:

Reader's Workshop (Close Read): Day Three Objective: Reread parts

of the text that lend themselves to

Day Four Objective: Part One: Review this week's

vocabulary words with partner

Day Five Objective: Theme study wrap up with a comprehensive discussion and

the text-dependent questions. Students will turn and talk to partners to answer. Review and discuss the vocabulary and essential questions.

1. What does it mean to admire something? What do you like to admire?

**2.** Rainbow fish could **glide**.

What else can glide?

words and essential questions. Discuss: Wrap up the week's theme with a class discussion. What did we learn? What do

we do if a friend doesn't want

Review: Review the vocabulary

How does Rainbow Fish feel when the other fish will no longer play with him? How does the author show you this?

3. What happens to Rainbow

Fish when he gives away his first

special scale? What evidence

1. How does the little blue fish

feel when Rainbow Fish refuses to give him a special scale?

> 3. What does one look like when they are **shocked**? When have you felt shocked?

Journal prompt: What happened at the end of Rainbow Fish? (A suggested drawing would be rainbow fish and the other fish each with 1

to share with us?

in the text tells you this? 4. How have you felt when a friend refused to share with you?

5. Is there something around the room that shimmers?

contrast Rainbow Fish to a text

Sharing or alternate (non)fiction

of choice {Little Critter: I am

text). What similarities and

Part Two: Compare and

4. What does it mean to be wise?

Do you know anyone that is wise?

scale.} Theme craft: Have students create their own rainbow fish following the detailed craft

5. Have you shared with someone like Rainbow Fish did? Did you feel better about

> differences can you see? **Independent Practice:** Connect it: Make connections to Weekly assessment

instructions. **Independent Practice:** 

**Independent Practice:** Story Elements Follow Up: Search

and Find Characters

yourself after sharing?

possible.

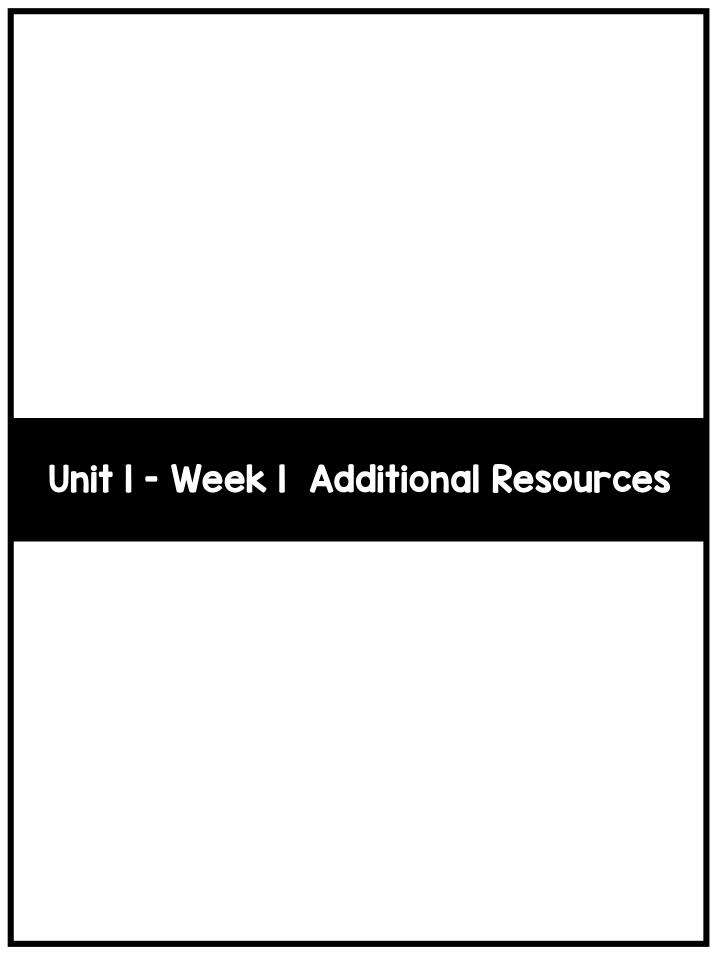
vour life

Writing Lesson: Students will

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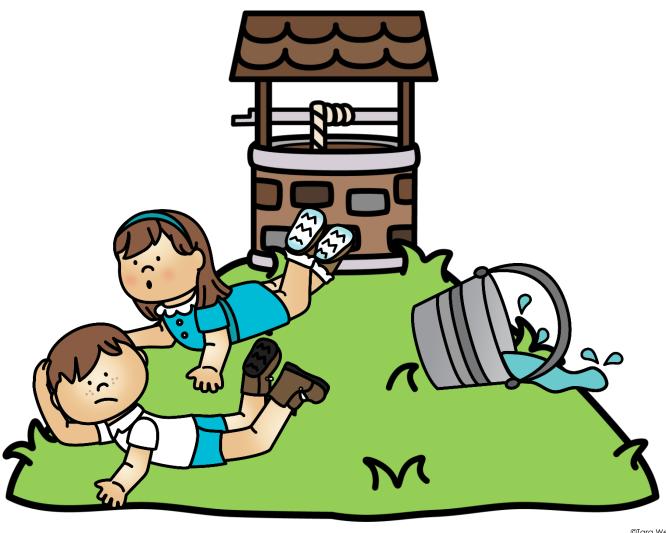
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#### Jack and Jill

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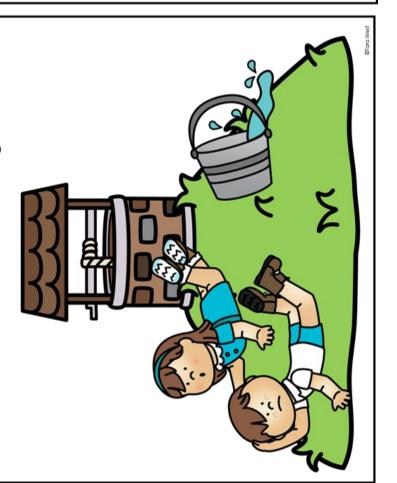
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Jack and Jill Poem Pieces

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#### Jack and Jill Retell Pieces

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To fetch a pail of water.



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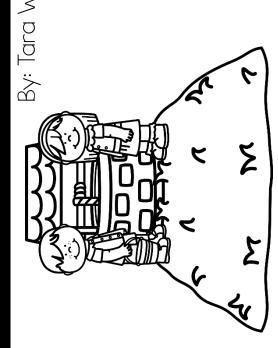


Jill came tumbling after.

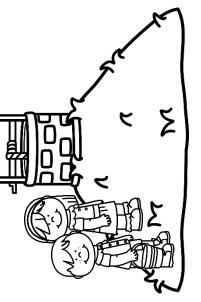


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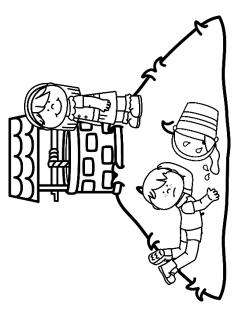
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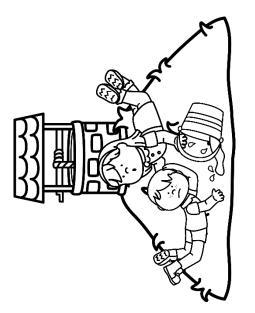


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# Essential Questions

Who are the characters in our story?

What does it mean to share?

Text: Rainbow Fish Theme: Sharing

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# "I can" Statements

I can identify the characters within the book.

I can state what it means to share.

Text: Rainbow Fish Theme: Sharina



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# wise

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# shocked

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Rainbow Fish



# shimmer

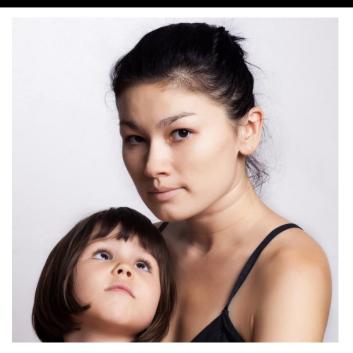
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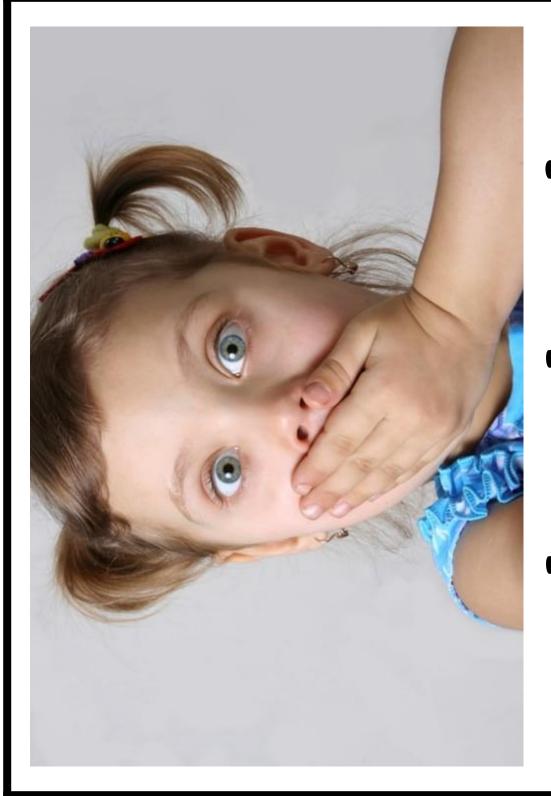
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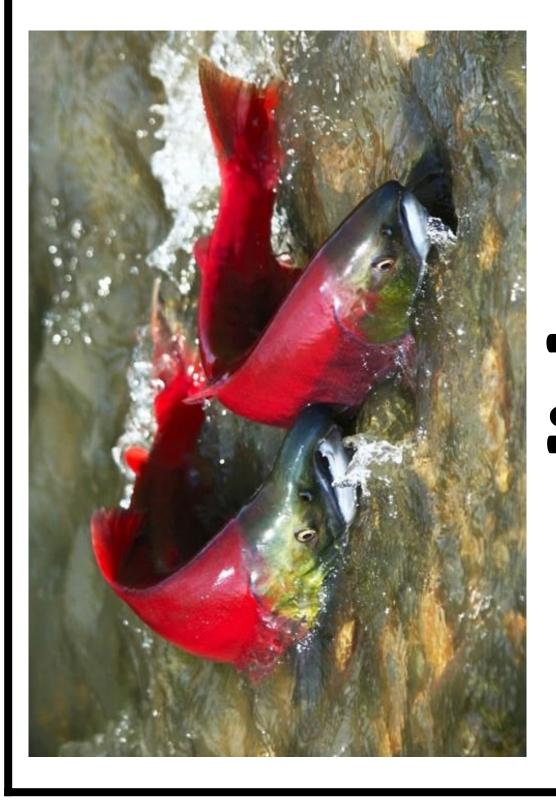


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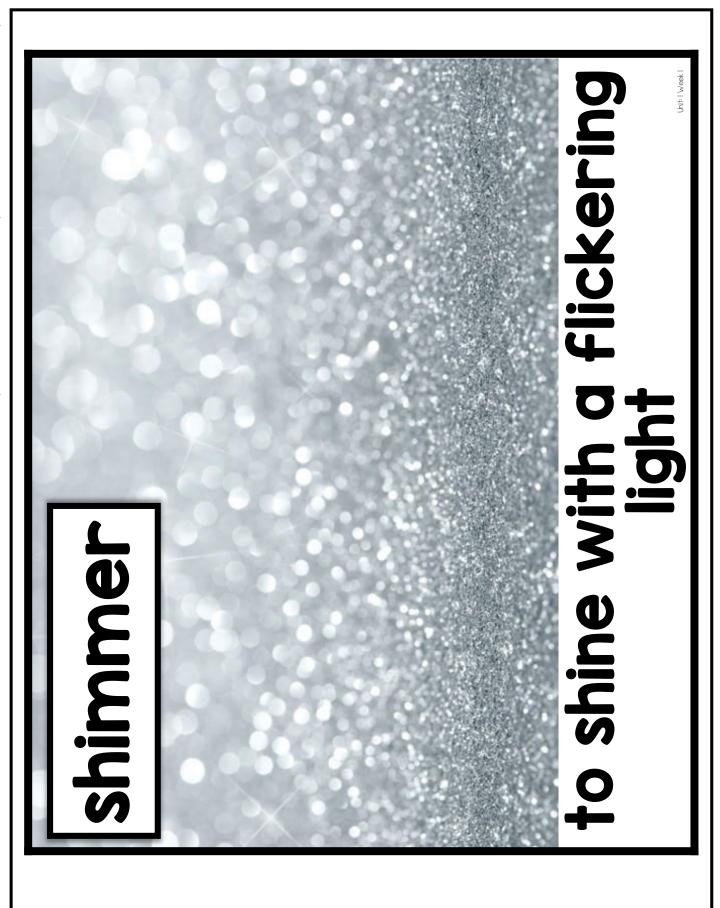






#### Rainbow Fish

Wise



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# Rainbow Fish

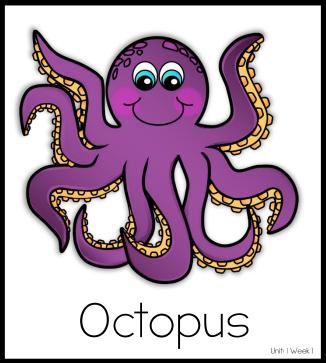
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# Characters

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#### Rainbow Fish Anchor Chart Pieces





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# Character

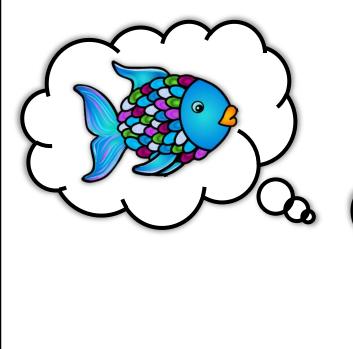


## Rainbow Fish

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# Connections





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Directions: Illus	trate Rainbow Fish with a lot of scales a	nd with only one scale.

Unit: I Week I	ime:	Capture This a	nd That
Directions: Illustrate Rai	inbow Fish with a lot of scales a	nd with only one scale.	
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Unit: I Name: Week I	Listen and Draw
Directions: Illustrate the <b>wise</b> octopus and <b>shimmering</b>	scales.
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Unit: I Week I	Listen and Draw
Directions: Illustrate the <b>wise</b> octopus and <b>shimmering</b>	scales.

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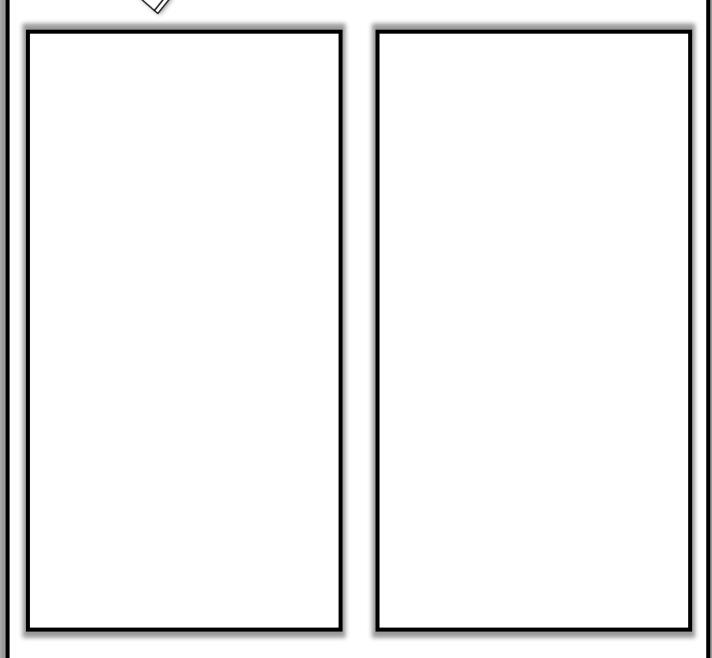


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Directions: Illustrate two of the characters from the text.





Directions: Rainbow Fish learns that it is better to share his special scales. Draw a picture of a time you shared with a friend.



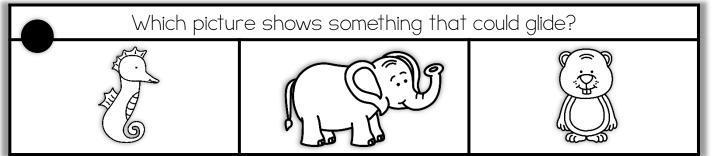
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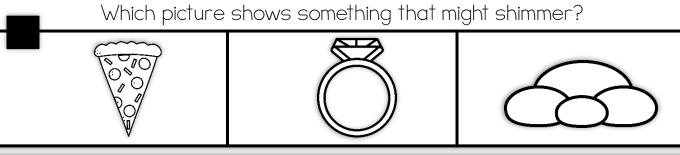
### Rainbow Fish Journal Prompt

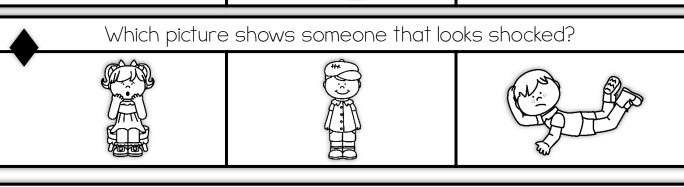
Directions: Have students cut and paste the journal prompt into their notebook and illustrate.

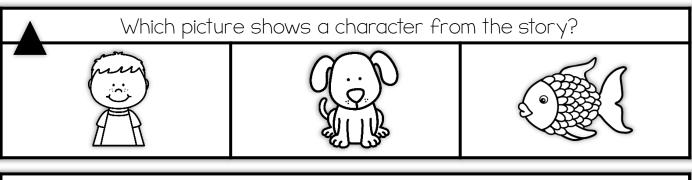
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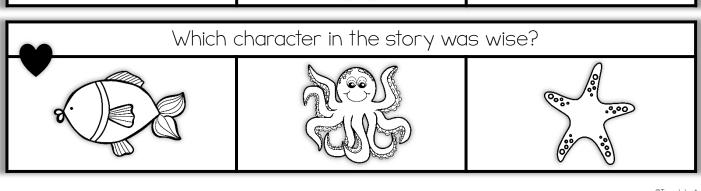












### Rainbow Fish Assessment Tracker

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### Rainbow Fish Craft

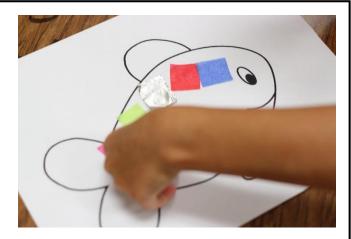
#### Teacher Prep/Materials List:

For this craft you will need to print out one fish template {included} per child. I have found that printing it on cardstock will give you the best results. Cut up several small pieces of tissue paper and place a bowl for each table. Each student will also need one small piece of foil for their "special" scale.

#### Step-by-Step Instructions:



Students will begin by gluing small pieces of tissue paper to their fish template. This will resemble all of Rainbow Fish's scales. Students will also glue on one shimmering scale.



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Have students completely cover the fish template, leaving no white space. Students may then cut out their fish.



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Once students have cut out their fish you can choose to display them in the classroom or send them home with students.



