

NONFICTION

- ▶ **SAVING BEAR CUBS**
 One baby bear is alone by the road and another cub is missing. A caring cop is determined to save them both.
- ▶ **CHASING DRAGONS**
 Dragons have appeared in stories for thousands of years. Could they have been based on real animals?
- ▶ **DISASTER IN SPACE**
 Read about the incredible true story of three astronauts fighting for survival 240,000 miles from Earth.

INFORMATIONAL TEXT SKILLS

- Key details
- Nonfiction text features
- Main idea
- Use visuals
- Vocabulary
- Writing

FICTION

- ▶ Our relatable and **engaging short stories** meet kids where they are, emotionally and developmentally.
- ▶ We offer a mix of **original fiction** and retellings of **favorite folktales**.
- ▶ Every story opens the door for rich class discussions.

LITERATURE SKILLS

- Key details
- Characters
- Story structure
- Point of view
- Central message
- Fiction and nonfiction

PAIRED TEXTS

- ▶ **THE TRUTH ABOUT CATS AND DOGS**
 Let's get to the bottom of how our favorite furry friends are alike and different.
- ▶ **RED RIDING HOOD/REAL WOLVES**
 Here's a retelling of the folktale (with its big, bad wolf) paired with nonfiction about wolves.

READING AND WRITING SKILLS

- Compare and contrast
- Comparing texts on a similar topic
- Vocabulary
- Nonfiction text features
- Write opinion pieces


DEBATE

- ▶ **Should kids be able to vote?**
- ▶ **Should kids have to make their own beds in the morning?**

WRITING, SPEAKING, AND LISTENING SKILLS

- Opinion writing
- Having respectful conversations

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 our knowledge-building
 videos and vocabulary
 slideshows online!