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Warmly,
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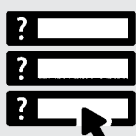
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Preview our story about last year's devastating floods in North Carolina.



QUIZ:

Help students practice prefixes with this fun interactive activity.



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Hear our fabulous fiction author Hena Khan read her sweet story aloud.

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Articles	Spotlight Skill	Differentiated Articles	Lesson Plan
Mini Read, pp. 2-3 "The Star Reporter" Meet Jenny Chiu, whose love for soccer has led to an exciting career in sports journalism.	Grammar		
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True Teen Story, pp. 20-23 "Giving Back With Bikes" Learn how Dom turned his passion for biking into a way to serve his community.	Problem and Solution	✓ Lower Level ✓ Higher Level	✓❖
Word Play, pp. 24-25 "What Do These Creatures Have in Common?" Practice using prefixes while learning about some creatures that are (nearly) immortal.	Using Prefixes		
Paired Texts, pp. 26-29 "The Magical Story of Movies"/"New Ways to Watch" See how cinema has changed over time—from the earliest silent films to today's streaming wars.	Compare and Contrast	✓ Lower Level ✓ Higher Level	✓❖
Debate, pp. 30-31 "Should Luis Try Out Too?" Weigh the pros and cons of competing with a friend for a starring role in a play.	Argument Writing	✓ Lower Level ✓ Higher Level	✓
Infographic, p. 32 "The History of Waking Up" Find out how people avoided oversleeping in the days before modern alarm clocks.	Text Features		

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Text-to-Speech	Skill-Building Activities 	Multimedia Resources	Common Core Anchor Standards
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grammar: <i>Your</i> vs. <i>You're</i> 		R.1, R.3, R.4, L.2
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spotlight Skill Workout Text Features • Vocabulary Review Pause and Think Questions Summarizing Quiz (two levels) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Video: "Skills in Action: What Is a Summary?" Video: "Fact-Checking the News" Vocabulary Slideshow 	R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.7, W.2, SL.1, L.4, L.6
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spotlight Skill Workout Text Features Vocabulary Review Pause and Think Questions Sequence of Events (two levels) Quiz (two levels) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Video: "Behind the Scenes: Surviving the Storm" Vocabulary Slideshow Slide Deck Background Builder Slideshow 	R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.7, W.2, SL.1, L.4, L.6
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spotlight Skill Workout Text Features Vocabulary Review How a Character Changes Quiz (two levels) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Video: "Skills in Action: What Is an Inference?" Video: "Author Visit: Meet Hena Khan" Vocabulary Slideshow 	R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.6, R.7, W.3, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.5, L.6
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spotlight Skill Workout Text Features Vocabulary Review Central Idea and Details (two levels) Quiz (two levels) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vocabulary Slideshow Slide Deck 	R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.7, W.2, SL.1, L.4, L.6
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spotlight Skill Workout 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Video: "Adventures in Morphology" Interactive Quiz: "What's That Prefix?" 	L.4
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Text Features Vocabulary Review Compare and Contrast Quiz (two levels) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Video: "Movies: Then and Now" Vocabulary Slideshow 	R.1, R.3, R.4, R.7, R.9, W.3, SL.1, L.4, L.6
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Argument Writing (two levels) Quiz Contest Outline Contest Entry Form 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poll 	R.1, R.2, R.6, R.8, W.1, SL.1
✓*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Text Features 		R.1, R.2, R.7, W.1

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