

FEATURES	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER/ JANUARY
IN THE NEWS Featured Skill: Summarizing	The Lost Years <i>Four years into the pandemic, is it time to change our approach to school for good?</i>	A Stormy Future? <i>Our weather keeps getting deadlier. What can we do?</i>	A Robot Made This! <i>Artificial intelligence is replacing doctors and teachers. Can it replace artists too?</i>	Should You Trust TikTok? <i>How social media is making it more difficult to find the truth online</i>
NONFICTION FEATURE Featured Skill: Text Evidence	Rescue at the Water's Edge <i>The amazing boat rescue of September 11</i>	Standing Strong <i>The incredible true story of labor leader Dolores Huerta</i>	Running to Remember <i>A Native American teen honors his ancestors through long-distance running.</i>	What Happened to Hercules? <i>How America's first celebrity chef escaped slavery</i>
TRUE TEEN STORY Featured Skills: Cause & Effect, Problem & Solution	"I Have Hearing Loss" <i>Hear how a deaf girl learned to advocate for herself.</i>	True Teen Contest Winner <i>Read a story from our 2022–2023 True Teen Contest winner!</i>	"I Saved My Friend's Life" <i>The inspiring story of a teen who used first-aid skills to save the day</i>	Connecting Through Prison Walls <i>This 12-year-old's app connects kids with their incarcerated parents.</i>
PLAY/ FICTION Featured Skill: Inference	Graphic Fiction: How to Make S'Mores <i>A relatable and heartwarming story about being the new kid</i>	Readers Theater Play: The Spider Curse <i>A sharp, witty retelling of the Greek myth of Arachne</i>	Read-Aloud Fiction: The Perfects <i>A touching short story about what life is like for military families</i>	Readers Theater Play: The Year of the Rabbit <i>A classic folktale celebrating the Lunar New Year</i>
PAIRED TEXTS Featured Skills: Compare & Contrast, Synthesis	Photo Fakers <i>Two teens fooled the world with a fake photo—and it could happen again.</i>	Movie Magic: Then & Now <i>Learn how moviemaking has evolved over the past 100 years.</i>	Fighting to Play <i>Two inspiring stories of athletes who wouldn't take "you can't play" for an answer</i>	Stolen Treasures <i>Mummies are a huge draw at museums worldwide, but should they be sent home?</i>

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