

## NONFICTION

### ► **Guide Puppies in Training**

A class of adorable puppies goes to guide dog school. Which ones will graduate to become guide dogs? *Ruff ruff!*

### ► **The Search for Pirate Gold**

Long ago, a famous pirate ship full of gold sank to the bottom of the sea. A modern-day treasure hunter would not give up until he found it.

### ► **Fighting Fires with Wild Horses**

This is the true story of how one man lived among wild horses—and discovered how they help stop fires.

#### INFORMATIONAL TEXT SKILLS

- Nonfiction text features
- Main idea
- Key details
- Content vocabulary
- Gather facts and information from texts
- Ask and answer questions about read-aloud texts

## PAIRED TEXTS

### ► **Monster Truck or Race Car?**

One is big and tough. The other is sleek and fast. Compare these vehicles and decide which you would want to drive!

### ► **Pikachu and the Real Pikachu**

Meet a real-life golden possum that looks just like Pikachu. How is the animal different from the Pokémon character?

#### READING AND WRITING SKILLS

- Compare/contrast texts on the same topic
- Opinion writing
- Gather facts and information from texts
- Nonfiction text features
- Ask and answer questions about texts

The editors may change content as needed.

## EARLY-READER FICTION

- An original story starring Eva the Owlet from *Owl Diaries* by Rebecca Elliott
- A fun folktale adapted for young readers
- All of our delightful early-reader fiction stories are a digestible length. They feature simple plots and language for first graders.

#### LANGUAGE ARTS SKILLS

- Story sequence and retelling
- Key details
- Characters, setting, and other story elements
- Using illustrations to understand text
- Fiction and nonfiction

## SILLY STORIES: FUN PHONICS AND DECODABLES

- Filled with decodable and high-frequency words, these wacky stories make phonics fun. Great for spiral practice, each story focuses on a phonic element such as:

CVC (consonant-vowel-consonant)

Digraphs

Long vowels and silent e

R-controlled vowels

The letter “Y” as a vowel

#### READING AND FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS

- Phonological awareness
- Practice blending and segmenting words
- Apply phonics knowledge to decode words
- Read grade-level, irregularly spelled high-frequency words
- Repeated readings for fluency

**DON'T MISS** our motivating **Mini Graphics, Nonfiction Feature Finders**, and **Word Play** grammar activities!

**PLUS**, check out our knowledge-building **Videos** and **Word Sounds Slideshows!**

