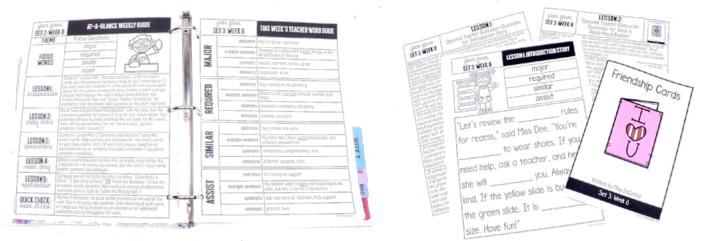
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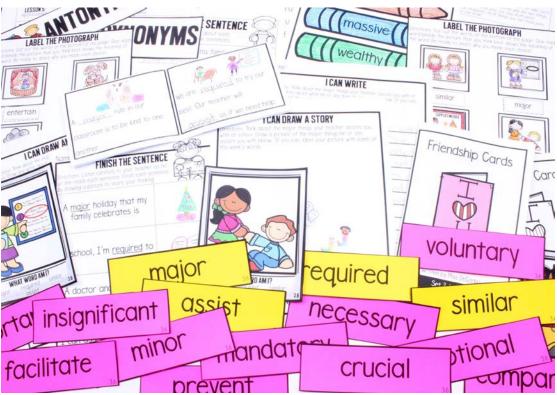


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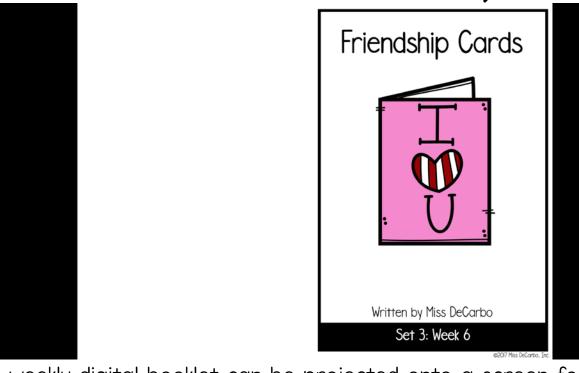
At-A-Glance Weekly Guide and Weekly Teacher Word Guide for easy planning and teacher instruction

An original passage and a read-aloud story with detailed teacher language and discussions



Focus word cards, synonym and antonym word cards, oral discussion cards, anchor chart cards, optional assessment pieces, word play printables, draw and write application activities, label the photograph printables, digital book, printable book, and MORE!

DIGITAL BOOKS FOR PC & MAC with teacher discussion questions



The weekly digital booklet can be projected onto a screen for the entire class to see. It is read by the teacher and includes discussion questions and suggested teaching points. Digital booklets can be opened on any computer that has Microsoft PowerPoint installed.

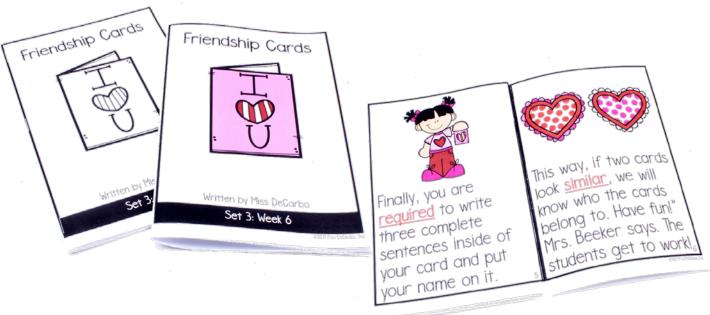


"One <u>major</u> thing to remember is to throw away your trash. This will keep our classroom clean.



If you need help, raise your hand so that I can <u>assist</u> you. I am happy to help you with your card!

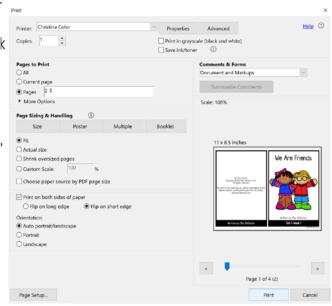
PRINTABLE VERSIONS OF THE READ-ALOUD BOOKLETS ARE INCLUDED!



PRINTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR WEEKLY READ-ALOUD BOOKLETS

If you choose not to use the digital read-aloud story for Lesson 2 this week, I have included printable versions for your convenience. A color version and black ξ white version is included in this file.

- I. Type in the page numbers you wish to print. If you would like to print the color version of the booklet, you will print pages 2-5. If you wish to print the black \$\xi\$ white version, print pages 6-9.
- Select "Fit" so that the booklet fills as much of the page as possible when it prints. Sometimes, this option may read, "Scale to Fit Paper" on your printing option screen.
- 3. Select "Print on both sides of paper."
- 4. Select "Flip on short edge."
- 5. Print the booklet.
- 6. Fold the printed pages and staple along the left side.



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EACH WEEK FOLLOWS A CONSISTENT ROUTINE

LESSON I: introduction	Create an anchor chart with your students that displays this week's words and definitions. Share the introduction story with your students, and complete Lesson I.
LESSON 2: story time	Read the digital (or printable) booklet for the week, and use the discussion questions to guide your conversation with students. The students will complete this week's mini book.
LESSON 3: connections	Add this week's synonyms and antonyms to your anchor chart. Complete the synonym and antonym activity of your choice.
LESSON 4: word play	Choose an activity from the word play menu.
LESSON 5: application	Students will complete one of the following independent activities: • "I Can Draw a Story" journal entry • "I Can Draw and Write" journal entry • "Finish the Sentence" activity The students will apply this week's words to their everyday lives. (The teacher could also choose an activity off of the alternative options list instead.)

MASTER LESSON PLANS FOR YOUR WEEKLY ROUTINE

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LESSON PLAN 1: INTRODUCTION STORY

Materials:

- pocket chart
- sentence stripschart paper
- marker
- word cards
- introduction story for Lesson I
- student copies are optional

Set Up: Write the week's introduction story on sentence strips, and place them in a pocket charf for the whole group to see. You can also write it largely on an anchor chart. Draw a 'blank' (___) on your sentence strips, just as it is shown on the story printable. Place the word cards in a row above or below the pocket chart story. Flip the cards over so that students *cannot* see them yet. Mix up the order of the word cards. If you would prefer not to use a pocket chart or an anchor chart, place the introduction story printable under a document camera, or display it on a screen. If you're projecting the

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CONNECTIONS

weekly word chart that

synonym and antonym

word cards for the week

definitions

pocket chart

includes the week's focus words and kid-friendly

first grade STORY TIME

Materials:

- digital booklet for this week OR a printable copy (color or black and white)
- student copies of this week's mini book (optional)

LESSON PLAN 3: SYNONYMS &

Set Up: This lesson can be completed in a whole-group setting

or a small-group setting. You will be adding synonyms and

antonyms to your weekly word chart (anchor chart) for the week, so you will want to have it nearby. A pocket chart is

out (laminate if you wish) this week's synonym and antonym

word cards

exposed the student to twenty words for the week, rather than just four words!

This lesson is designed to be straightforward and simple. The teacher will engage in a discussion

minimal. (This frequently happens if the focus words are nouns rather than adjectives.) Since we

want to expose students to as many vocabulary words as possible, understanding synonyms and

antonyms for the words they are learning is a vital component to building vocabulary. For instance, if a student learns two synonyms and two antonyms for each focus word, we've now

Choose one of the activities below as a way to discuss the synonyms and antonyms for the week with your students. Remember to first review with your students that "Synonyms are words that mean the same", and "Antonyms are words."

with the students to share words that mean the same and words that are different from the week's four focus words. You'll notice that for some weeks, the synonym and antonym list is

needed if you choose to complete the word sort activity. Cut

LESSON PLAN 2: WHOLE-GROUP READ-ALOUD AND PRINTABLE MINI BOOK

Set Up: Story time can take place in a whole-group or a smallgroup setting. I prefer to complete this lesson in a whole-group setting so that the entire class can hear and participate in the same discussion about the story and our weekly words.

If you are using the digital booklet, open up the file for the week you are on. The digital booklets are found in the zip folder of this resource. You can open the digital booklets on any computer that has Microsoft PowerPoint installed. When you open the file, the handlet will automatically open up and be ready for use. If you are

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rd chart (anchor chart) that you made with the

reference when needed.

o share with you today! It is a different story elp us learn even more about our new words very carefully and very closely because we in the book and sharing our thoughts."

review and discuss the vocabulary and what is may need to reteach what the vocabulary jou created for the week with your students, ucher discussion questions page that will help about the book. Use this scripted teacher er to discuss the words and put them into sion questions do a nice job of asking the 2s, and they help them work on comprehension tening to within the book. Since it is my used in different ways, these weekly read-our students to see, hear, and talk about situations and stories.

strate the mini book for the week NFW TN SF

"I have a story that I want to share with you, but I'm going to need your help to find some new wo

story on a screen, cove

Do NOT read the word cards yet. First, read each blank" whenever there is an empty space. Then, g Ask the students. Does arryone know a word that exercise helps students draw from their schema a know. The exercise also exposes your students to it thought of, used, or shared, had we only exposed allows them to put these known words into contex can think of that make sense in the blank space fo the remaining sentences in the story.

Now, flip each word card over (or remove the stic screen), and read the week's focus words to the sword back to you after you read it to them. Recor paper to use and refer to throughout the week. I already know the meanings of any of the words. (I teacher word guide to discuss each word's meanine example sentences provided. Add the definitions to each word's meaning. (You will be adding to this of fill in the blanks for our story with the new words

Read the story <u>again</u> to the students (choral read each appropriate spot. Stop after each sentence

first grade APPLICATION

Materials:

 student copies of the week's "I Can Draw a Story" OR the "Finish the Sentence" printable
 pencils and crayons

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 anchor chart for this week's words Set Up: This lesson is guidance from the to word chart (anchor to if needed for the following the set of the s

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I CAN DRAW A STORY

Read the story prompt to the students. Each week's story page will have a question for the students to ponder or a prompt that asks them to think about the words in relation to their owr lives. The students are writing and shoring their ideas, stories, and connections through illustrations they create. Students who can arall tell stories through their illustrations are developing essential beginning writing skills, and an understanding of plots and events. The "I Can Draw a Story" and the "I Can Draw and Write a Story" and the "I Can Draw and Write a Story" activity puts the vocabulary in context for the students, makes it meaningful, and allows them to demonstrate their understanding of the words in their own unique ways. Optional: have students share their stories with friends or the class.

"You will draw a picture (and/or write) to tell your story. Be very detailed in your picture. That means to draw as much as you can in order to tell us what happened in your story."

DIFFERENTIATION OPTIONS

Depending on the time of the year and your students' ability levels, you can encourage the students to label their pictures with the week's focus words. You could also have the students out out and glue the words onto their story illustrations in order to label them.

REREAD THE INTRODUCTION STORY

A great way to teach synonyms for each Place focus word of the week is to reread the acros introduction story you completed in Lesson word I. Repeat the lesson using the synonyms instead of the focus words. You can also repec they try to have students help you insert the this w words antonyms into the blanks in the story. Sometimes the antonyms will not make The s sense in the sentence, but this leads to word great discussions with the students about focus why some words make sense and others do the so cards

your "Weekly Teacher Word Guide" to help you share

word. Add the new synonyms and antonyms you discu

chart (anchor chart) that you created in Lesson I.

You can also choose the "Word Chant" word play act lesson. If you choose to skip the synonym and anton of the extra activities within the packet.

picture) will likely be different based on individual life experiences and the student's own understanding and ownership of the word. For each sentence, your students will draw or write in order to complete the sentence/thought. For example, in the sentence starter, "I am frightened when...", a student might draw a picture of a thunderstorm (or write the words ".there is a thunderstorm"). The student is showing understanding of the word frightened by communicating that a thunderstorm is something that scares him or her! I encourage students to read the sentences out loud in order to focus on oral language and practice speaking in complete sentences.

DIFFERENTIATION OPTIONS

Choose the illustration or writing version based on student needs, level, time of the year, etc. You may want to use the illustration version for a few weeks and then switch to the writing version.

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WORDPLAY

Trainerals:
The materials for this lesson will vary depending on the word play activity you choose to use for the week. Each word play activity has a full sheet of directions. The materials for each activity can be found on those pages.

LESSON PLAN 4: WORD PLAY ACTIVITY

Set Up: Every week for Lesson 4, you will choose an activity off of the word play menu on page 49. These also make excellent review activities!

You can choose to work your way through all of the activities over the next eight weeks, or complete the same activity for two or three weeks in a row. Use as many of them or as few of them as you would like. The choice is yours! These word play activities are also wonderful to use as additional or supplemental vocabulary activities if you want to mix up your weekly routine or add more activities to it. These word play activities would also make fantastic vocabulary activities that you can complete within a small group in order to challenge, differentiate, or provide extra practice.

"Boys and girls, today is word play activity day! I 'm so excited to have some fun with the new words we've been learning this week."

You will then choose a word play activity from the included word play menu. The word play activity options for Set 3 include the following activities:

word wondering	word theater	word drama
word artist	word chat	word crayons
word sing-along	word chant	word emojis

Each word play activity has its own designated instruction/lesson plan page. If have typed out the directions, set-up, and materials you will need for each activity. Read through the activity of your choice, and complete if with your students.

Important: The word play activities are designed to promote creativity and critical thinking. As a result, it is important to include as many synonyms and antonyms as you can within each of the word play activities you complete with your students. Simply teaching our students only the four focus words will limit their vocabulary acquisition. This resource is set up to be as expansive as you make it. The activities and lesson plans can accommodate more than the four focus words and even more than the number of synonym and antonyms I've listed on the weekly teacher word guides. Feel free to expose your students to as many synonyms and antonyms as you'd like, and encourage them to use those words during the word play activities. Your students do not need to be able to read or spell the vocabulary words independently. That is not the goal of this resource. The goal is for our students to see, hear, understand, and use as many new Ter 2 words as they can acquire. They will use these words within their everyday lives, apply them to new situations, experiences, and scenarios, and be able to comprehend and apply them so they become more appable, independent readers and writers.

If you have extra time throughout the week, feel free to choose any of the word play activities to add to your daily schedule, revisit, and repeat! Have fun playing with words!

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LESSON I: INTRODUCTION

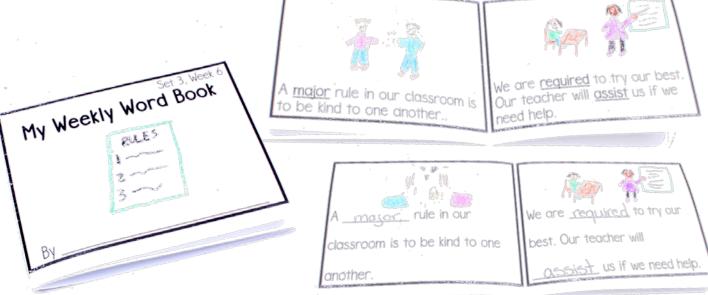
Share the introduction story, and teach new words within context.



LESSON 2: STORY TIME

Read the digital booklet aloud, and complete a mini book.

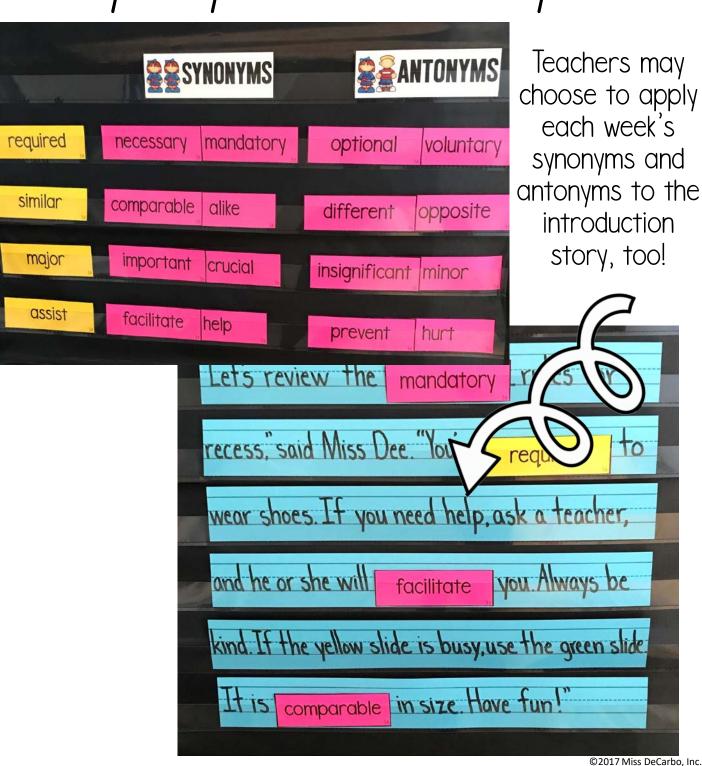




Differentiated printable books are included, too!

LESSON 3: CONNECTIONS

Share, discuss, and sort synonyms and antonyms.



LESSON 4: WORD PLAY

Choose a hands-on activity to practice using the week's words.



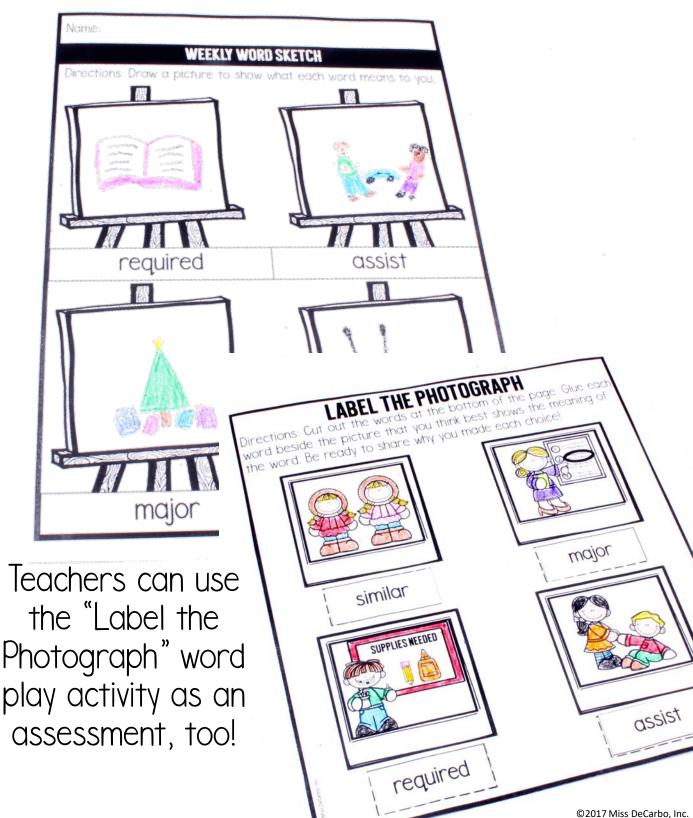
LESSON 5: APPLICATION

The students will apply the words to their lives by drawing and writing journal entries or completing a differentiated "Finish the Sentence" activity.



Choose the differentiated activity that works best for your students!

OPTIONAL WORD SKETCH ASSESSMENTS ARE INCLUDED



ALTERNATIVE & ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

This resource can be as flexible or as guided as you would like! Feel free to mix things up a bit during the week by swapping out a weekly lesson plan for any of the following activities, or use any of the following ideas as additional vocabulary activities to enhance your instruction or routine for the week.

Name of Activity	Ideas for Use
Oral Discussion Word Chat Activity	This oral language/class discussion activity encourages critical thinking and fits nicely into Lesson 3 as a follow-up activity, in exchange for the activity in Lesson 4, or as an additional activity to your week.
Label the Photograph	This is a great follow-up to the "Word Chat" activity. It can also be easily used as an independent application activity in exchange for the "I Can Draw a Story" printable.
Vocabulary Notebook	Have students illustrate the vocabulary cards for the week and paste them into personal vocabulary notebooks. Students can write synonyms and antonyms beside each word card in their notebooks.
Finish the Sentence	If you do not use the "Finish the Sentence" activity on Day 5, this makes an excellent additional activity, review activity, or small-group follow-up.
Quick Sketch	The quick sketch page was designed to be used as an optional, end-of-the-week assessment. However, this page can also be used as an additional activity for the week or in exchange for one of the lesson plan activities.

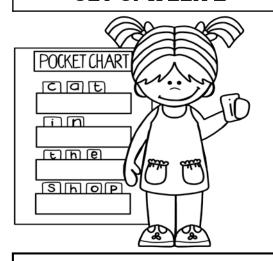
FIRST GRADE WORD LIST: SET 3

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	hilarious		major
WEEK 2	blue	WEEK 6	required
WE	entertain	WE	similar
	gloomy		assist
	antique		peek
VEEK 3	massive	VEEK 7	slumber
WE	wealthy	WE	tackle
	achieve		pleasant
	heap		glare
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WEEK 4	surround	WEEK 8	expand
	trot		splendid

first grade SET 3: WEEK 2	AT-A-GLANCE	WEEKLY GUIDE
THEME	Rainy Day Fun	
	hilarious	
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WORDS	entertain	
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LESSONI: introduction	friendly definition (Us ro "assistance" was to all or a	ns to guide your conversation. If the words of their own student of their with your rock value of their kid-their ki
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LESSON 3: connections	Complete "Lesson Plan 3: Synonyn week's words. Add synonyms and to your class anchor chart. If extadditional activity, or complete the complete it yesterday.	antonyms for this week's words ra time allows, complete an
LESSON 4: word play	Choose a word play activity from directions for the activity you cho and/or synonyms and antonyms.	
LESSON 5: application	Complete one of the following activity, "I Can Write a Story", <u>OR</u> directions on the printable. (You word play activity, such as "Label"	"Finish the Sentence". Follow the could also choose an alternative
QUICK CHECK: Word sketch	(Optional) Complete the quick skeweek. Use it to assess the student or simply use the quick check as a vocabulary activity throughout the	ts' understanding of each word, an alternative (or additional)

SI	first grade ET 3: WEEK 2	THIS WEEK'S TEACHER WORD GUIDE
S	definition	(adj.) very funny
HILARIOUS	example sentence	My friend Tom tells <u>hilarious</u> jokes during lunch, and we all laugh.
	synonyms	humorous, comical, amusing
▆	antonyms	boring, serious, solemn
	definition	(adj.) sad
	example sentence	I felt <u>blue</u> when my new toy broke.
BLUE	synonyms	sad, melancholy, depressed
	antonyms	happy jo II c. tic
	multin n 1n.	he bluer a o clear are could see all way he the
AN	defin	amuse someone or perform for an audience
RTA	example sentence	The circus clown did his best to <u>entertain</u> the crowd with his funny tricks and balloon animals.
ENTERI	synonyms	amuse, interest, captivate
ॼ	antonyms	bore
	definition	(adj.) a little bit dark
GLOOMY	example sentence	It looks <u>gloomy</u> outside when the clouds block the sun.
310	synonyms	dim, bleak, dreary
	antonyms	bright, clear, light

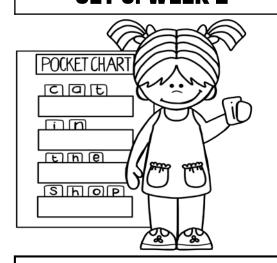
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<u>Directions</u>: Read the passage with your teacher, and talk about each word's meaning. Then, write the word that belongs in each blank. Be sure that each word makes sense in the story. Read the completed passage again for fluency.

LESSON I: INTRODUCTION STORY STUDENT COPY

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LESSON I:

Optional Teacher Discussion Questions for Introduction Story

<u>Directions:</u> If you wish, use the following suggested questions and prompts to guide your students through a discussion about this week's introduction story. These questions and prompts will help them better comprehend the story and allow them to think about and apply this week's focus words to their everyday lives. Suggested teacher language and dialogue is italicized.

At the beginning of the story, Mahala was crying. How was Mahala feeling when she was crying? (Answer: Mahala was feeling blue.) There is more than one meaning for the word blue. In this story, blue means sad. Why was Mahala feeling blue, or sad, at the beginning of the story? (Answer: Mahala wanted to go outside to play, but it was raining.) Have you felt blue recently? What happened that made you feel blue? (Answers will vary.) Blue can also to a plor word. A beautiful day might have a clear, blue sky. What was something in the story of the story of the story of the story.)

The author described the worth in the stry way. Which is describing word did the author expression to be found we have the in the cary? (Answer: alloomy) The word do by the strict of the broad way or bright and sunny and who is worth as we will vary.) Sometimes we can describe someone's mood a vloom, to be it someone is unhappy or mad, we might say that he or she is in alloomy mood. Would you rather have a gloomy friend or a joyful friend? Why?

Dad tells Mahala that she can <u>entertain</u> herself inside by being creative. Entertain means to amuse someone or perform for an audience. What does Mahala decide to do to entertain, or amuse, herself? (Answer: Mahala wrote jokes to read to Dad.) We can entertain an audience by putting on a play, singing a song, or playing a game with them. Sometimes, like in this story, we have to entertain ourselves if there is no one to play with us. Reading a book or doing a puzzle are two ways to entertain ourselves. What do you like to do to entertain yourself on a rainy day? Start your sentence with, "I entertain myself by..." (Answers will vary.)

What did Dad do when Mahala told him jokes? (Answer: Dad laughed.) Dad thought Mahala's jokes were <u>hilarious</u>. Hilarious means really funny! Now, I am going to tell you a really hilarious joke! Are you ready to laugh? (Share this joke: Knock, knock! (Who's there?) Canoe! (Canoe who?) Canoe help me with my homework?')

LESSON I: INTRODUCTION STORY FOCUS WORD CARDS

Cut out the following focus word cards to use with your introduction story for the week.

hilarious

3.2



entertain

3.2

3.2

gloomy

PICTURE CARD TO USE ON THIS WEEK'S WORD CHART

Optional: You may wish to cut out and color the following picture card that matches this week's theme for your vocabulary anchor chart. Simply print in color or black and white, and cut out the card you need.



LESSON 2:

Optional Teacher Discussion Questions for Week 2 Read-Aloud Booklet



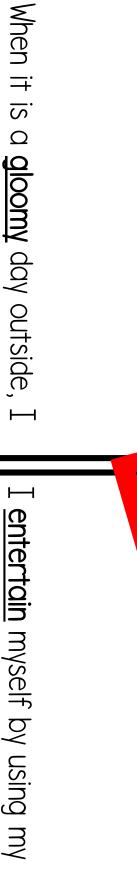
<u>Directions:</u> If you wish, use the following suggested questions and prompts to guide your students through a discussion about this week's read-aloud booklet. These questions and prompts will help students apply this week's words to their everyday lives and think through how the words are used in different scenarios and situations. Suggested teacher language and dialogue is italicized.

Why will the students have indoor recess? (Answer: It is raining and gloomy out.) Gloomy means a little bit dark. When it is gloomy and raining while you're at school, what do you like to do during indoor recess? Start your sentence with, "On gloomy days, I like to..." (Provide time for students to turn and talk.)

How is Jayla feeling at the beginning of the start. Allower Julia is feeling blue.) Why is Jayla feeling blue? (Answer: Internal es he in the distance of blue means to feel sad. Yesterday is raiked to blue the whom the first blue. How can we tell if service sees, we? Which high the or her coor body be doing if he or she is reach plue this character of the organization of the ground, frowning, crossing their arms, etc. This is a great and the arms are started as a reach empathy to students.)

I think Sara is a kind friend! Do you think so, too? Why? (Possible: Sara is kind because she tries to cheer Jayla up and make her smile.) Entertain means to amuse someone or perform for an audience. What does Sara do to entertain Jayla? (Answer: She does a magic trick for her.) Now, I want YOU to entertain someone beside you by turning to a friend and singing a song with them! You can choose to sing a nursery rhyme song such as "Row, Row, Row Your Boat", "I'm a Little Teapot", or a song that you may enjoy or be practicing in music class. Singing for others is a form of entertainment. (Provide time for students to sing and entertain one another.)

Hilarious means really funny. Did Jayla think Sara's trick was <u>hilarious</u>? (Answer: Yes) What did Jayla do that lets us know she thought it was hilarious? (Answer: Jayla laughed.) What was so hilarious about Sara's joke? (Answer: There were tons of scarves in the hat!) Let's all laugh like we would if we had just heard something that was hilarious. Does anyone have a hilarious joke they would like to share with us?



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Weekly Word Book

I can also write and draw a funny story. This picture tells a **hilarious** story about a naughty puppy!

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Set 3, Week 2

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	picture tells a story
	I can also draw a funny story. This
Set 3, Week 2 Weekly Word Book	© 2017 Miss DeCarbo, Inc.
When it is a day	I myself by using my
outside, I feel very	imagination. I can make up a game!

LESSON 3: SYNONYM & ANTONYM CARDS

hilarious

Cut out the synonym and antonym word cards to use with your introduction story.

comical

3.2



3.2

boring

3.2

serious

LESSON 3: SYNONYM & ANTONYM CARDS

blue

Cut out the synonym and antonym word cards to use with your introduction story.

sad

3.2



3.2

joyful

3.2

ecstatic

LESSON 3: SYNONYM & ANTONYM CARDS

entertain

Cut out the synonym and antonym word cards to use with your introduction story.

amuse

3.2



3.2

interest

3.2

bore

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SET 3: WEEK 2

gloomy

LESSON 3: SYNONYM & ANTONYM CARDS

Cut out the synonym and antonym word cards to use with your introduction story.

bleak

3.2



3.2

bright

3.2

clear

Name:

I CAN DRAW A STORY

Directions: Think about what you could do to entertain someone and make him or her laugh if he or she was feeling blue. Would you put on a play? Tell them a joke? Tell a story about what you would do by drawing a picture about it. If you can, label your picture with some of this week's words.



hilarious	blue	entertain	gloomy
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I CAN DRAW AND WRITE

Directions: Think about what you could do to entertain someone and make him or her laugh if he or she was feeling blue. Would you put on a play? Tell them a joke? Draw and write about what you would do below. If you can, use some of this week's words in your writing.



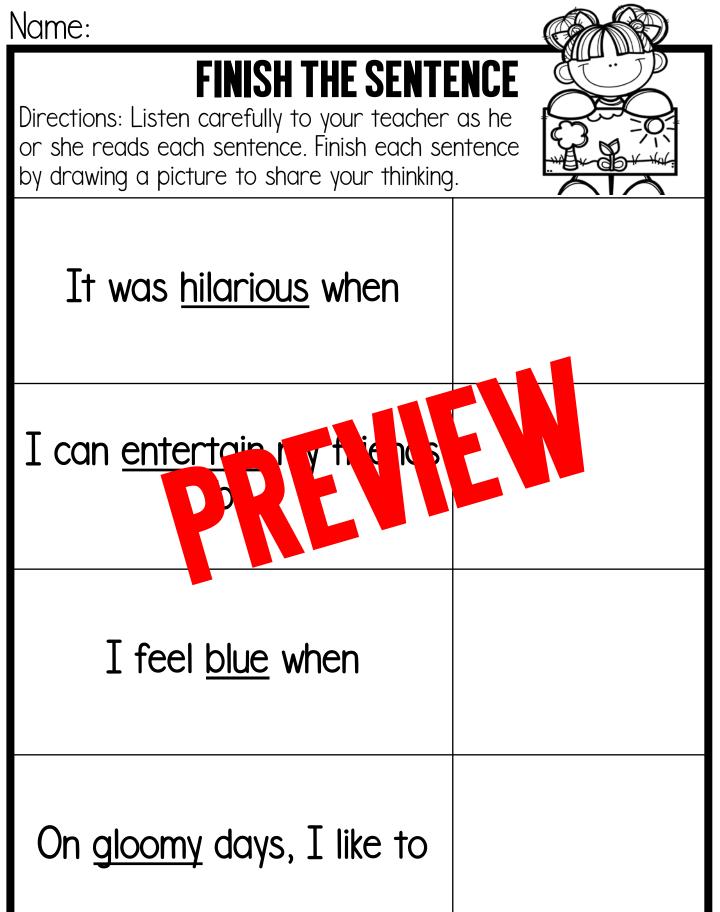
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Directions: Think about what you could do to entertain someone and make him or her laugh if he or she was feeling blue. Would you put on a play? Tell them a joke? Write about what you would do below. If you can, use some of this week's words in your writing.

hilarious

blue

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gloomy



Name:
FINISH THE SENTENCE Directions: Use what you know about each vocabulary word to finish these sentences.
It was hilarious when
I can entertain my friends sy
I feel blue when
On gloomy days, I like to

Name: **WEEKLY WORD SKETCH** Directions: Draw a picture to show what each word means to you. hila entertain gloomy blue

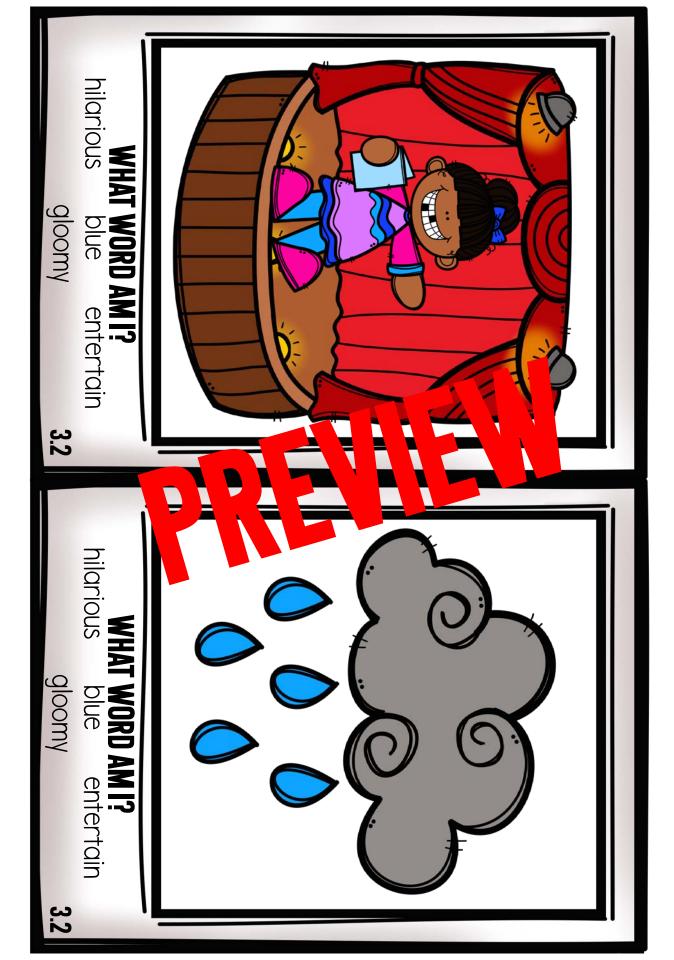
PICTURE CARDS FOR WORD CHAT WORD PLAY ACTIVITY

Optional/Supplemental Activity: The following picture cards can be used with the class as an optional, additional, or supplemental word play activity throughout the week. Cut out the cards, and display them on an anchor chart or in your pocket chart. These picture cards can be used with your word cards. Students will engage in a discussion as a whole class, partners, or in small groups about which of this week's words can be used to label each picture. An answer sheet is intentionally not included because we want students to form their own conclusions, opinions, and justifications about which picture best matches the meaning of each word. In many cases, there is no "right" or ning through "wrong" answer, as long as the students can justify their ea. their oral explanations. You can also have stude ynonym and antonym cards to each picture as an ocabulary challenge. If you would like you and have ari la students circle whi ry erase markers. ire wi This would also ma center! grou





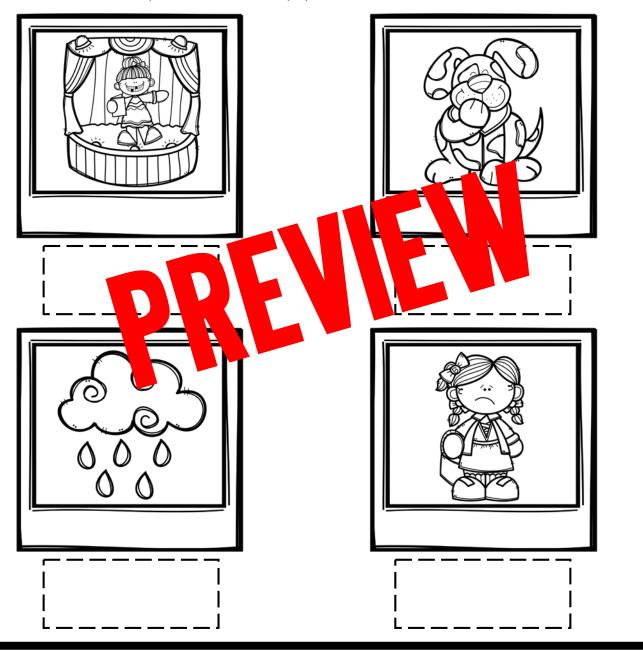




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LABEL THE PHOTOGRAPH

Directions: Cut out the words at the bottom of the page. Glue each word beside the picture that you think best shows the meaning of the word. Be ready to share why you made each choice!



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WORD CRAYONS

Directions: Think about what color best describes each word. For example, yellow is a great color for the word "happy" because yellow is cheerful. Red is a good color for the word "love" because when we love people, our red hearts are full! Color each of this week's focus words a color that you think describes the word.



OPTIONAL VOCABULARY CARDS FOR WORD WALL OR NOTEBOOKS

The following cards can be used for a vocabulary word wall in your classroom, OR they can be put into personal vocabulary notebooks for the students. This is not part of the weekly lesson plans, but this could certainly be included during Lesson I or even at the end of each week after students have really had a lot of exposure and experience using the week's words. Each of the four focus words have been printed with the kind that there is no picture included to been printed with the kid-friendly definition. card. Word walls are more to nip of the oose student or wall is given to the students. It can coose student or group of student or week to use one the weekly focus words for the ord can be helps the students remember and "own" each vord with a deeper sense of understanding for its meaning. You can also use these word cards in personal vocabulary notebooks for your students. Each week, students can glue the word cards into notebooks and illustrate each word according to their own understanding by relating it to their lives and/or background knowledge. The students can refer to these notebooks in future lessons and throughout the school year. If you'd like, students can write each focus word's synonyms and antonyms beside the card in their notebooks, too! Blank cards are provided if you would like to add a list of synonyms and antonyms to your word wall or notebooks.

VOCABULARY CARDS WEEK 2



Why was this resource created?

As primary teachers, we know the importance of vocabulary instruction for our beginning readers. It is no surprise that research tells us there is a direct correlation between vocabulary instruction and our students' reading comprehension skills (Anderson and Nagy, 1991). In fact, the following research studies show us how vital vocabulary instruction is within our classrooms:

- In a study by Cunningham and Stanovich (1997), the vocabulary skills of first-grade students predicted their reading achievement in their junior year of high school.
- A study by Hart and Risley in 1995 found that by the age of 3, many low SES children already displayed a large gap in vocabulary compared to peers of higher SES.
- Three years later, we learned that this gap in vocabulary was directly related to reading and comprehension success (Snow, 1998).

We want students to acquire new vocabulary words through the authentic books they read, the books we read to them, and through the rich and robust conversations they have with others. Using picture books that contain rich vocabulary was not a struggle for me as a primary teacher, but finding additional vocabulary activities, resources, and hands-on engagement for vocabulary was often difficult. The leveled books our students read at the small-group table are often not packed with the amount of Tier 2 vocabulary words we hope to expose students to on a weekly basis. As a primary teacher myself, I craved an effective, simple weekly routine that would immerse my students in important Tier 2 vocabulary instruction that they could relate to their everyday lives.

Even more important than a desire for a weekly routine is the need for vocabulary instruction to be embedded in context, not in isolation. Teaching vocabulary words in isolation is not best practice, is not highly supported in educational research, and is not brain-based instruction. When students learn words in isolation, they often fail to remember those words and definitions, and the words are meaningless to their lives. Within this resource, the vocabulary words are always first introduced within the context of a short, kid-friendly passage. Students will make word predictions with this passage and then put the week's new words into the text based on meaning and comprehension. In addition, each week also has an additional book that focuses on the week's words. This booklet is read aloud by the teacher, and the story is different from the initial introduction passage. As a result, the students are reading, seeing, hearing, and discussing the vocabulary words in multiple ways through various scenarios, situations, and examples. We also know that students will retain their understanding of new words when they can use the words and apply them to their real lives. We are proud to share that each week's materials and lessons provide students with ample opportunities to do just that!

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What kind of words does this vocabulary resource focus on? Vocabulary words, for instructional purposes, can be divided up into three categories: Tier I words, Tier 2 words, and Tier 3 words.

<u>Tier I words</u> consist of commonly-known words. These are words that our students likely learn from their everyday experiences. Your students will most likely already know Tier I words. Examples of Tier I words consist of words such as house, dog, lamp, phone, and apple.

<u>Tier 2 words</u> are high-frequency words that often have multiple meanings and are seen across several content areas. These general academic words are often seen in descriptive language. Tier 2 words are the words students have the most difficulty with. They are also the words that are widely misinterpreted when reading texts. Examples of Tier 2 words consist of words such as predict, performed, timid, and content.

<u>Tier 3 words</u> are low-frequency words and are very domain-specific. They are generally specific to a particular concept. These are words that students will most likely not use outside of their academic courses or careers and include words such as photosynthesis, peninsula, and economics.

This resource focuses strictly on Tier 2 words. Building one's understanding of Tier 2 words is the fastest way to close vocabulary gaps in struggling students because they are the words most widely used and misunderstood.

If I use this resource, is this the only vocabulary instruction and words my students will need to learn?

It is important to understand that going through the activities and lessons in this vocabulary resource will NOT result in your students knowing all of the vocabulary words they will need to know this school year. This resource is designed to be an important part of your overall vocabulary instruction and help you feel assured that you are explicitly teaching vocabulary and integrating it into your instruction on a daily and weekly basis. Just like you always have, you will continue to teach your students many more words every week through the books you read to them, the content you teach, the small-group lessons you instruct, and the conversations you have. This resource provides you with the tools you need to teach vocabulary, strategies, a routine, word play activities that can be used over and over again, and engaging discussions that will lead to additional vocabulary word exposure and rich conversations.

Why are there only four weekly focus words? Is that enough?

Since our goal as teachers should be to expose our students to as many meaningful vocabulary words as we can, understanding synonyms and antonyms is an important part of vocabulary instruction. The resource is set up to contain four "focus words" each week, but those are not the only words they will learn and be exposed to! Throughout the week, you will share synonyms and antonyms for each of the week's focus words with your students. You should use the synonyms interchangeably, and the students will engage with these synonyms and antonyms throughout the week within their word play and application activities. Therefore, your students will be constantly making connections and associations between words for each of the week's focus words. For instance, if a student hears and is exposed to two synonyms and two antonyms for each focus word, we've now exposed the student to twenty words for the week, rather than just the four focus words!

I don't know if I can fit "one more thing" into my daily schedule. How long will the daily lessons take? Is the routine flexible?

It can often feel like we are trying to "fit it all in" throughout our school day. The weekly routine and program is set up to be as flexible or as rigid as you would like. There are five lessons per week, but you can certainly complete all of them each week, or you may pick and choose two or three that you like best. The flexibility is one of the greatest beauties of this resource! I've also set it up in a simple way that allows you to swap different activities in and out if you want to mix things up and do something "different" from week to week. So for example, instead of completing the writing application activity for Lesson 5 each week, you may choose to toss that and complete a different word play activity instead, or you may have a three-day week at school and choose to just do the first two lessons for that week. You'll still be exposing your students to new vocabulary in a meaningful, content-rich way, even if you do not complete all five lessons throughout the week. It's a win-win for both teachers and students alike!

The activities and lessons can generally be completed in about 20 minutes. However, once again, you can extend your discussions and activities, or you can complete the lessons quickly in just 15 minutes a day if you wish.

Is this a "no-prep" or "just-print" vocabulary resource?

Even though everything has been created for you in an effort to make this intentional vocabulary time as easy and stress-free as possible, this is not a "justprint" or "no-prep" resource. Why? As a teacher and a curriculum author, I do not believe that such an important concept as vocabulary can possibly be given the credit it deserves in a "just-print" format. Each week, I suggest reading through the short introduction passage, read-aloud booklet, and suggested teacher discussion questions so that you can be prepared to discuss the concepts, scenarios, and comprehension material with your students. I also suggest previewing the weekly focus words and taking a look at the synonyms, antonyms, definitions, and example sentences. You may even want to come up with additional examples of your own to meet the individual background needs of your students. In addition to previewing the material, there will be vocabulary cards and some supplemental materials to cut out and laminate (if you wish). Personally, I like to present the introduction stories for Lesson I in a pocket chart with pocket chart sentence strips. If this is something you wish to do, it will require just a few minutes of prep time at the beginning of the week. The weekly anchor chart that you create with your students can be completed with them during Lesson I and will not take more than a few minutes.

I have other word lists that my district requires me to teach. Can you add these words, or can I use the lessons with my own word lists?

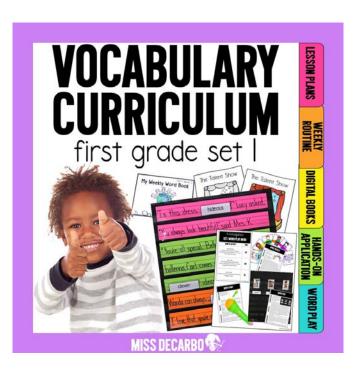
The specific design of this resource was created for grades K-2. In each grade level, the word lists are entirely different so that students can complete the curriculum from kindergarten to second grade and not have any repeated words from week to week. I have chosen Tier 2 words that are important for your students to know and words they will commonly use, hear, see, and read throughout their entire lives. Due to the time it took to coordinate these weekly word lists across three grade levels, I will not be adding custom word lists or editable features to the resource at this time. However, if your district requires additional vocabulary words, the basic strategies, concepts, and activities can be used with your other words. For example, with a little creativity, you could certainly use most of the word play menu activities with other word lists from your classroom!

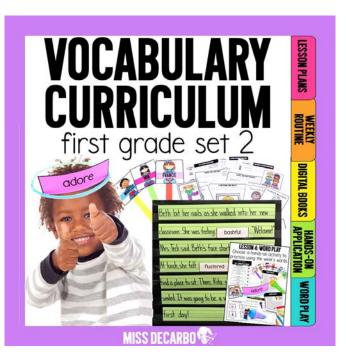
RESEARCH CITATIONS

The following is a list of articles, books, and journals that I used in my own research about vocabulary over the past several years. I'm including these citations for your convenience if you would like to read more about vocabulary instruction and what was read while writing this curriculum.

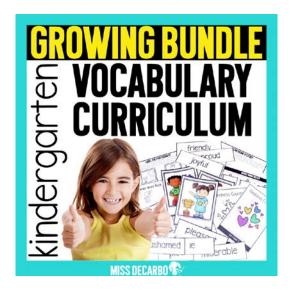
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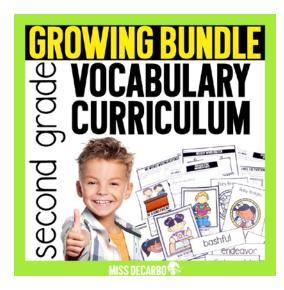
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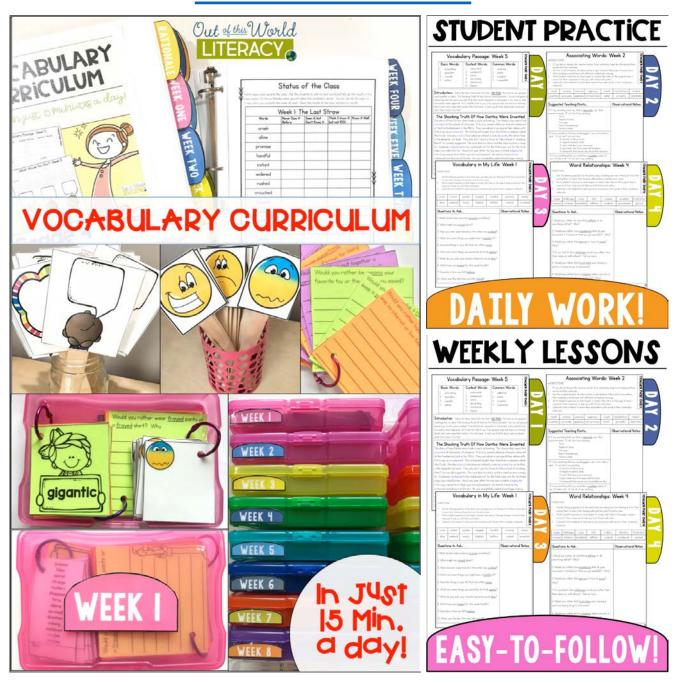




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