

3rd Grade Houghton Mifflin Overview: Skills, Strategies and Content

Theme	Wk	Comprehension Strategy	Comprehension Skill	Spelling Structural Analysis	Grammar
Back to School		Strategy Workshop: Strategy Review			
1: Off to Adventure!	1	Summarize	Sequence of Events	Short vowels (a, e, i) Base words	What is a sentence?
	2	Monitor/Clarify	Making Inferences	Short vowels (o, u) Syllabication	Kinds of sentences
	3	Predict/Infer	Cause and Effect	Vowel-consonant-e pattern Inflected endings -ed and -ing	Subjects and predicates
2: Celebrating Traditions <i>Focus On:</i> Trickster Tales	1	Evaluate	Author's Viewpoint	Long vowel spellings (ai, ay, ee, ea) Compound words	Common nouns
	2	Question	Categorize and Classify	Long o sound Plurals	Proper nouns
	3	Summarize	Noting details	Three letter clusters and unexpected consonant patters Contractions with 's, n't, 're, 'll	Singular and plural nouns
	4	Monitor/Clarify	Topic, main idea, and supporting details	Long i sound Plurals with words ending in ch, sh, x, s	Special plural nouns
3: Incredible Stories	1	Evaluate	Fantasy and Realism	Vowel sounds in <i>clown</i> and <i>lawn</i>	Possessive nouns
	2	Question	Following Directions	Vowel + r sounds Word endings -er and -est	What is a verb?
	3	Predict/Infer	Drawing conclusions	The /j/, /k/, /kw/	Present time
	4	Monitor/Clarify	Story Structure	Homophones Prefixes un-, dis-, and non-	Past time and future time

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4: Animal Habitats	1	Evaluate	Fact and Opinion	The vowel + r sound in <i>hair</i>	The verb <i>be</i>
	2	Summarize	Compare and Contrast	Added endings Word endings -ed and -ing and changing final y to i	Helping verbs
	3	Monitor/Clarify	Making Judgments	Prefixes and suffixes Prefixes un-, re-, and Suffixes -ful, -ly, -er	Irregular verbs
5: Voyagers <i>Focus On:</i> Biography	1	Question	Making Inferences	The vowel sounds in <i>tooth</i> and <i>cook</i>	Subject pronouns
	2	Predict/Infer	Predicting Outcomes	The vowel sound in <i>bought</i>	Object pronouns
	3	Monitor/Clarify	Text Organization	The VCCV pattern	Possessive pronouns
6: Smart Solutions	1	Evaluate	Problem Solving and Decision Making	Words that end with -er or -le VCCCV pattern	Adjectives
	2	Predict/Infer	Drawing Conclusions	Words that begin with <i>a</i> or <i>be</i>	Comparing with adjectives
	3	Summarize	Making Generalizations	Contractions Soft c and soft g	Adverbs