

Fourth Grade Reading Street

Unit 4.4.1 The Houdini Box		Genre: Historical Fiction
<p>Vocabulary Words:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. appeared – was seen; came in sight 2. bustling – being noisily busy and in a hurry 3. crumbled – fell to pieces; decayed 4. escape -to get out and away; to get free 5. magician – person who entertains by art or skill of creating illusions; especially a sleight of hand 6. monument- something set up to honor a person or an event. A monument may be a building, pillar, arch, statue, tomb, or stone. 7. vanished – disappeared, especially suddenly 		<p>Spelling Words:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. don't 2. won't 3. wouldn't 4. there's 5. we're 6. you're 7. doesn't 8. I've 9. here's 10. wasn't 11. shouldn't 12. couldn't 13. where's 14. hadn't 15. aren't
<p>More Words to Know:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. engraved - cut deeply in; carved in; carved in an artistic way 2. unexplainable – unaccountable; without apparent cause or reason 3. invisible – not visible; not capable of being seen 4. pretending –making believe 5. judge – form an opinion or estimate about 		
<p>Spelling: Contractions</p>	<p>Comprehension Skill: Compare and Contrast</p>	
<p>Grammar: Singular and Plural Pronouns</p>	<p>Comprehension Strategy: Predict</p>	
<p>Writing Trait of the Week: Sentences</p>	<p>Science Concepts: Breathing Illusions Dai Vernon</p>	
<p>Vocabulary Strategy: Context Clues</p>		

Unit 4.4.2 Encantado

Genre: Expository Nonfiction

Vocabulary Words:

1. aquarium – building used for showing collections of live fish, water animals, and water plants
2. dolphins – any of numerous sea mammals related to the whale, but smaller with beaklike snouts and remarkable intelligence
3. enchanted - delighted greatly; charmed
4. flexible – easily bent; not stiff; bending without breaking
5. glimpses – short, quick views or looks
6. pulses – regular, measured beats
7. surface – the top of the ground or soil, or of a body of water or other liquid

Spelling Words:

1. chicken
2. eleven
3. given
4. jungle
5. national
6. several
7. natural
8. needle
9. single
10. citizen
11. threaten
12. diagonal
13. paddle
14. animal
15. spiral

More Words to Know:

1. destination – place to which someone or something is going or is being sent
2. submerged - put under water; covered with water
3. teem – to be full of; abound; swarm
4. agility – the ability to move quickly and easily; nimbleness
5. endowed – born with; provided with some ability, quality, or talent
6. relationship – condition that exists between people or groups that deal with each other

Spelling:

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Grammar:

Subject and Object Pronouns

Writing Trait of the Week:

Focus/Ideas

Vocabulary Strategy:

Context Clues

Comprehension Skill:

Compare and Contrast

Comprehension Strategy:

Visualize

Science Concepts:

Animal Characteristics

Animal Survival, Food Web

Habitat, Dolphin Facts

Unit 4.4.3 The King in the Kitchen

Genre: Play

Vocabulary Words:

1. duke – nobleman of the highest title; ranking just below a prince
2. dungeon – a dark underground room or cell to hold prisoners
3. furiously – with unrestrained energy, speed, etc.
4. genius – person having very great natural power of mind
5. majesty – title used in speaking to or of a king, queen, emperor, empress, etc.
6. noble – high or great by birth, rank, or title
7. peasant – farmer of the working class in Europe, Asia, and Latin America
8. porridge – food made of oatmeal or other grain boiled in water or milk until it thickens

More Words to Know:

1. exiled – forced to leave your country or home, often by law as a punishment; banished
2. inferior – not very good; below most others; low in quality
3. treasury – money owned; funds
4. advertising – the act of bringing to public notice by radio or TV announcements, published notices, posters, or other means
5. concentrate – pay close attention; focus the mind
6. secret – something kept from the knowledge of others

Spelling:

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Grammar:

Pronouns and Antecedents

Writing Trait of the Week:

Voice

Vocabulary Strategy:

Dictionary/Glossary

Comprehension Skill:

Character and Setting

Comprehension Strategy:

Monitor and Fix Up

Science Concepts:

Getting a Patent, Inventing Super Glue
Kitchen Chemistry, Find a New Use

Spelling Words:

1. brother
2. together
3. dinner
4. popular
5. center
6. calendar
7. similar
8. regular
9. summer
10. clever
11. supper
12. pitcher
13. filter
14. hangar
15. never

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Unit 4.4.5 Encyclopedia Brown		Genre: Realistic Fiction
Vocabulary Words: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. amphibians – cold-blooded animals with backbones and moist, scale-less skins. Their young usually have gills and live in water until they develop lungs for living on land. 2. crime – activity of criminals; violation of law 3. exhibit – act of displaying; public showing 4. lizards – reptiles with long bodies and tails, movable eyelids, and usually four legs. Some lizards have no legs and look much like snakes. 5. reference – used for information or help 6. reptiles – cold-blooded animals with backbones and lungs, usually covered with horny plates or scales 7. salamanders – animals shaped like lizards, but related to frogs and toads. Salamanders have moist, smooth skin and live in water or in damp places. 8. stumped - puzzled 		Spelling Words: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. distrust 2. uncertain 3. incomplete 4. unlikely 5. unfair 6. discontinue 7. unaware 8. disorder 9. discount 10. indirect 11. unopened 12. disrespect 13. unimportant 14. unlisted 15. disrepair
More Words to Know: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. confided – told as a secret 2. frustration – a feeling of anger and helplessness 3. specimen – one of a group taken to show what the others are like 4. case – matter for a court of law to decide 5. damage – harm or injury that lessens the value or usefulness 6. court – an assembly of persons (judges) who are chosen to administer justice 		
Spelling: Prefixes <i>un-</i> , <i>dis-</i> , and <i>in-</i> Grammar: Contractions and Negatives Writing Trait of the Week: Organization/Paragraphs Vocabulary Strategy: Context Clues	Comprehension Skill: Plot Comprehension Strategy: Prior Knowledge Science Concepts: Salamanders Experiments Reptiles and Amphibians	

