SCOPE AND SEQUENCE   Fluent Reading Stage: Guided Reading Levels K (20), L (24) & M (28)

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Fluent Stage: Level K (20)		
Basketball Basics Word count: 775	backboard basket basketball center court defending dribbling foul free pass hoop key line line passing rebound referee rules scoring shooting subbing uniform	Integrating visual and textual information
Alex Stands Tall Word count: 756	basket basketball court defender dribbling drills passed point season shooting skills sub team train	Making inferences about characters' relationships
Animal Show-offs Word count: 607	antlers attack bowerbirds bugling elk mate meerkats mobs pufferfish roaring territory threatened	Integrating information from fact boxes
The Too-tight Tutu Word count: 664	brayed chattered curtseyed dancer galloped gnu meerkat shrieked tutu	Making inferences about characters' motives
Surviving the Flood Word count: 781	fast floods flash floods floods floodwaters overflows predicted prepare riverbanks safekeeping slow-moving floods surviving victim volunteered	Asking questions
The Great Flood of Dusty Plains Word count: 723	bank disaster flood flowed lapped safety officer	Reading fluently, attending to punctuation and line breaks
A Long Day at the River Word count: 639	body temperature claws cold-blooded crocodile egg tooth eggs guard hatch hunt nest predators prey reptiles scaly senses survive	Using headings and sub-headings to predict content
The Crocodile and the Plover Word count: 673	crocodile drought egg egg tooth hatched nest plover protect	Decoding multisyllabic words
Amazing Gardens Word count: 527	hedges maze shrubs soil stems temperature vegetables vertical garden butterfly carrots corn crops dug eggplants farm flower fruit trees garden/s grow/s leaves plant/s/ed pumpkins trees water weeds	Using multiple sources of information
The Giant's Garden Word count: 793	butterfly corn dug farm flower garden/s grow/s maze plant/s/ed wanted water weeds	Reading dialogue with fluency and expression
Polar Bears Word count: 624	claws cubs den fur mammals pad polar bear rangers sea birds seals skin fish frozen habitat hunt sea ice webbing wild	Recognizing how a book is organized (question and answer)
A Bear Called Trouble Word count: 767	explore flippers growl North Pole polar bear rangers seals wild	Identifying where the story takes place
Looking After Tide Pools Word count: 540	anemone hermit crab marine animals marine biologist Marine Discovery Center plankton shore snorkeling tidepool waves beach crab octopus sea sea snail sea star sea water seaweed shells shrimp	Recognizing how a book is organized
The Smart Little Crab Word count: 726	crab octopus tide pool sea sea snail sea water shore tide	Recognizing cause and effect in a story

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Driver Ants Word count: 694	army chemical signals chimpanzees colony driver ant forest floor gorillas grassland living bridge male ant march/ing pests queen ant rainforest reptiles soldier ant swarm/ing worker ant Africa crops habitat insects jungle mammals nests smell snakes spiders survive touch	Using known parts of words to solve new words
Killer Ants Word count: 523	treetops army driver ant elephants gorillas jungle march/ing monkeys nests river snakes	Using evidence from the text rather than the illustrations
Fluent Stage: Level L (24)		
Meerkats at Work Word count: 657	Africa bolthole burrows desert groom guard duty hunting invaders jackal mammals meerkats mobs predators pups scorpions territory	Self-correcting to maintain meaning
Anwar, **The Very Bright Meerkat** Word count: 784	Africa bolthole burrow desert guard duty jackal meerkat mob pups	Using evidence from the text rather than the illustrations
Protect the Oceans: Act Locally Word count: 852	clean environment garbage patch graffiti oceans organize plant plastic pollute recycling stormwater drains trash volunteers	Identifying cause and effect
The Kingdom of Bloom Word count: 756	Director for the Environment Director of Fun filthy king kingdom palace pollution recycled recycling stations trash weeds	Linking multiple episodes in a story
My Faraway Home Word count: 941	delivered email ferry island lighthouse lighthouse keeper mail mainland medical emergency mule train park ranger postmark supplies	Comparing and contrasting
The Last Lighthouse Keeper Word count: 880	automatic coast electric light tower island lamp room lens lighthouse lighthouse keeper rescue	Visualizing the setting
Designed for Speed Word count: 667	bill body shape cheetah communicate designed direction dive energy hunt muscles peregrine falcon prey sailfish school sight sleek speed stretch	Decoding multisyllabic words
The Sleeping Prince Word count: 722	cheetah cure falcon fastest journey king kingdom pearl prince sailfish speed	Using illustrations and text to make inferences about the setting
Animals That Store Food Word count: 643	acorn acorn woodpecker beavers beehive bees burrow cell collect dam hay honey sac honeypot mushroom nectar nuts pikas rotten squirrels bark grass leaves nest plants seeds stomach summer survive winter	Using meaning cues to decode
A Tale of Two Squirrels Word count: 803	acorn acorn woodpecker bark beavers collect grass hay leaves squirrels store/d summer winter	Recognizing and using text features
I Am an Inventor Word count: 660	bicycle bike helmet cones crashed experiment foam imagination test/ed invent/or/ion protect scientist	Recognizing when meaning breaks down
Gabby's Fast Ride Word count: 706	bike track handlebars skidded swerved cones crashed foam safe wheels	Making inferences about a character's actions

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The Right Tools for the Job Word count: 711	acid anteater/s eyesight grasshopper hovering hummingbird/s scavengers snout sucking termites tongue/s tools vampire bats ants beak beavers blood claws fangs flowers giraffe hyena/s insects leaves nectar poison prey spiders stomach survive teeth thorns turkey vultures	Reading and interpreting a summary chart
Arnold Saves the Day Word count: 667	anteater/s ants beavers blood claws flowers giraffe grasshopper hummingbird/s leaves nectar spiders sucking thorny vulture vampire bats	Using word parts or syllables to decode
The First Flight Word count: 627	flight floated gas hot-air balloon passenger air duck experiments fire fly invent/ed/ion machine rooster sheep smoke	Identifying important ideas in a book
The Balloon Adventure Word count: 725	basket famous racehorse air balloon duck fire floated fly machine rooster sheep	Using context to determine the meaning of an unknown word
Fluent Stage: Level M (28)		
Polar Bears and the Arctic Sea Ice Word count: 882	Arctic Arctic ocean Arctic sea ice blubber cubs den extinct freezing habitat ice floes polar bears sea ice seals survive temperature threaten	Linking information
Atka's Ice Adventure Word count: 827	cubs ice floe kayak polar bear sea ice tide	Making inferences about the characters' relationships
Hummingbirds Word count: 699	bills bloom bodies chicks direction energy feathers flap hover hummingbirds mate nectar ruby-throated hummingbird territory wings	Making connections
The Kiss of a Hummingbird's Wing Word count: 790	bird feeder energy flap helmet-feeder hummingbirds sugar syrup wing	Reading dialogue to reflect an understanding of the characters and events
The Great Railroad Race Word count: 645	avalanche blizzards bridges building canyon coast east explosives journey railroad track supplies travel tunnels west	Integrating visual and text information
The Legend of Jimmy Drake Word count: 713	avalanche brave built dangerous legend pick railroad railway cart tunnel	Summarizing the plot
Frost Word count: 733	blades cells crops degrees Fahrenheit freezes frost frozen helicopters ice crystals melts oil oranges pilots smoke smudge pots sprinklers windmills	Asking questions
The Smallest Smudger Word count: 863	chimney frost oil orange groves oranges smoke smudge pots smudger soot	Making inferences about the setting
Body Works Word count: 775	alive body bones brain cells ears exercise eyes fit healthy hear heart lungs muscles oxygen pulse pupil skeleton skin	Reading fluently, attending to punctuation and line breaks
The Mystery Trip Word count: 1010	doctor sight body bones ears exercise eyes fit fitness fruit salad hearing lungs oxygen push-ups sit-ups	Linking multiple episodes in a story

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Built By Hand Word count: 695	Bam castle China Egypt fortress Hadrian's Wall hammer Herod's Temple Lebanon Mexico Mosqe if Djenné Pyramid of Cholula Pyramid of Khafra Pyramid of Khufu Shibam skyscrapers Statue of Ramses statues temples Yemen Africa mud stone thousands tools	Comparing and contrasting information
Dr. Zardos and the Mind Stone Word count: 714	clues headquarters inspector secret agents build/ings China Egypt Hadrian's Wall Mexico statues stone temples thousands	Summarizing the plot in a story
Living in Space Word count: 711	astronauts float gravity International Space Station microgravity space camp space shuttles space station space suits air Earth equipment experiments pods recycled space	Integrating caption and text information
Space Camp Word count: 842	astronauts float space camp space station	Reading dialogue, reflecting understanding of the characters and events
Marathon Journal Word count: 808	Athens distance finals finish line Greece log book marathon oval puffing runner running fitness medal race runner running	Searching for information
The Marathon Man Word count: 827	hero Olympic Games running slaves Sparta victory army Athens battle distance Greece marathon race runner soldiers	Making inferences about a character's motives