

Open Court Curriculum Resources

PowerPoint Presentations

Unit Opener: Each unit in each grade level includes a Theme Opener presentation which provides discussion prompts to activate prior knowledge and build background information using visuals.

Build Background: Each lesson includes a Build Background presentation that activates prior knowledge and provides background information through visuals and discussion prompts.

Graphic Organizers

Vocabulary: Using the Selection Vocabulary, graphic organizers have been created for each lesson to introduce and reinforce the vocabulary concepts. All graphic organizers combine colorful graphics and text appropriate and relevant for the grade level and lesson.

Second Read: Each lesson in the adoption has at least one comprehension organizer to be used with the Second Read and several lessons have more than one organizer depending upon the number of comprehension skills focused on for that particular lesson.

Differentiating Instruction: ELL, Intervention, and Challenge students will benefit from graphic organizers to support differentiating instruction activities throughout the adoption.

Writing Skills: Graphic organizers have been developed to support different writing genres and steps in the writing process.

Microsoft Word Organizers

Internet Guide Sheets: An Internet Guide Sheet has been developed for each unit in each grade level. The purpose of the Internet Guide Sheets is to provide a scaffold for students to examine relevant and meaningful information on unit and lesson specific websites.

Internet Resources

Websites: Relevant and appropriate websites have been identified for each of the units and lessons.

Discovery Education Streaming: Titles of video clips have been identified and are included for each unit and lesson for those teachers who have a subscription to this resource.

NOTE: Curriculum Companion does not include the actual clips.

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