

Additional Readings

WEEK 1

WEEK 2

By the Authors and Illustrators

Stevens, Janet, and Stevens Crummel, Susan. *Jackalope*. Harcourt, 2003. Jackrabbit asks his fairy godrabbit for horns and becomes the first jackalope.

ON LEVEL

Medearis, Angela Shelf. *The Freedom Riddle*. School Specialty Children's Publishing, 2003. Based on a true story, Jim, an enslaved person, uses cleverness and ingenuity to obtain his freedom.

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Related to the Theme

Ray, Deborah Kogan. *Lily's Garden*. Roaring Brook, 2002. A girl and her grandmother exchange letters and packages that show cycles of planting in their different climates.

APPROACHING

Slawson, Michele. *Apple Picking Time*. Dragonfly Books, 1998. Anna joins her friends and family in the orchard to pick apples before they spoil.

APPROACHING

Speed, Toby. *Brave Potatoes*. Putnam's, 2000. The potatoes sneak out to enjoy a carnival ride but are spotted by a chef who needs potatoes for his soup.

APPROACHING

Wheeler, Lisa. *Old Cricket*. Atheneum, 2003. Old Cricket doesn't feel like helping his wife and neighbors prepare for the winter, so he pretends he is not well.

APPROACHING

Partridge, Elizabeth. *Annie and Bo and the Big Surprise*. Dutton, 2001. Bo bakes a full moon cake as a surprise for his friend Annie, but the outcome is unexpected.

ON LEVEL

Paul, Ann Whitford. *Mañana Iguana*. Holiday House, 2004. This book tells the Mexican version of "The Little Red Hen." Iguana needs help preparing for a party.

ON LEVEL

Tate, Lindsey. *Teatime with Emma Buttersnap*. Henry Holt, 1998. The history of tea and tea parties is presented along with recipes for accompanying treats.

ON LEVEL

Segal, Lore Groszmann. *Why Mole Shouted and Other Stories*. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2004. Stories tell about a mole and his grandmother living together and getting along.

ON LEVEL

Arnold, Ann. *The Adventurous Chef: Alexis Soyer*. Frances Foster Books, 2002. A remarkable Frenchman establishes a soup kitchen in Ireland and works with Florence Nightingale.

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Chan, Harvey. *Three Monks, No Water*. Annick Press, 1997. One monk is good at getting his own water, but when two more monks join him it becomes difficult to complete the task.

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Williamson, Sarah. *Bake the Best-Ever Cookies*. Williamson Publishing, 2001. Baking procedures, ingredients, and kitchen supplies are described and followed in 26 recipes.

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Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *Say What?* Simon & Schuster, 2004. Three siblings get mad when they think their parents say the wrong things in response to their bad behavior.

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WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
<p>Editors of TIME for Kids. <i>TIME for Kids: Thomas Edison</i>. HarperTrophy, 2005. This biography tells about an inventor who patented over 1,000 inventions.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Soto, Gary. <i>Baseball in April and Other Stories</i>. Harcourt, 2000. This book presents 11 short stories about the problems of growing up in the United States.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Pérez, Amada Irma. <i>My Diary from Here to There</i>. Children's Press, 2002. A girl discovers her strengths and weaknesses as she is about to move from Mexico to Los Angeles.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>
<p>Cosgrove, Stephen. <i>The Puddle Pine</i>. Price Stern Sloan, 2005. Three beavers discuss whether or not to chop down a pine tree from a forest that has seen much destruction.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Cazet, Denys. <i>Minnie & Moo and the Seven Wonders of the World</i>. Atheneum, 2003. Two misguided cows decide to help save their farm by creating spectacular environments.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>MacLachlan, Patricia. <i>What You Know First</i>. HarperCollins, 1995. A girl's family must move away from their farm, but first she gathers mementos.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>
<p>Nelson, Robin. <i>We Use Water</i>. Lerner, 2003. This simple text shows how we use water for fighting fires, washing hands, and making ice cubes, and stresses the importance of conserving it.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Curtis, Gavin. <i>The Bat Boy & His Violin</i>. Simon & Schuster, 2001. Reginald finds an unusual way to help his father's baseball team in the Negro League games of 1948.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Ziefert, Harriet. <i>One Smart Skunk</i>. Blue Apple Books, 2004. Rebecca the skunk is the unwelcome visitor who lives under a suburban family's deck.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>
<p>Atkins, Jeannine. <i>Aani and the Tree Huggers</i>. Lee & Low Books, 2000. Aani and other residents of her village try to stop loggers from cutting down the trees near their homes.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Brenner, Barbara. <i>The Boy Who Loved to Draw: Benjamin West</i>. Houghton, 1999. The childhood of the great American painter, and how he first became an artist is described.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Harrington, Janice N. <i>Going North</i>. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2004. A young African American girl and her family leave their home in Alabama and move to Lincoln, Nebraska.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>
<p>Ray, Mary Lyn. <i>Pumpkins: A Story for a Field</i>. Voyager, 1996. This story tells of a man and his personal efforts to save a piece of land that he loves from development.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Fleming, Candace. <i>Boxes for Katje</i>. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2003. Two people, one in the United States and one in the Netherlands, decide to share letters, thoughts, food, and warm clothes.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Grindley, Sally. <i>A New Room for William</i>. Candlewick Press, 2000. When William and his mother move, he is unhappy about having a new room, but soon he changes his mind.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>
<p>George, Jean Craighead. <i>The Case of the Missing Cutthroats</i>. HarperCollins, 1996. Spinner and her cousin search for information about an endangered fish.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Banks, Jacqueline. <i>A Day for Vincent Chin</i>. Houghton, 2001. Although Tommy has doubts about his mother's social activism, he finds a cause of his own one day.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Gantos, Jack. <i>Jack Adrift: Fourth Grade Without a Clue</i>. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2003. Nine-year-old Jack moves with his family to Cape Hatteras when his father rejoins the Navy.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>
<p>Grupper, Jonathan. <i>Destination: Rain Forest</i>. National Geographic Society, 1997. This book explores the environment of the world's tropical rain forests and how to preserve them.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Mitchell, Elizabeth. <i>Journey to the Bottomless Pit: The Story of Stephen Bishop & the Mammoth Cave</i>. Viking, 2004. An African American slave guides tours of the famous attraction.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Kelly, Katy. <i>Lucy Rose: Here's the Thing About Me</i>. Delacorte Press, 2004. Eight-year-old Lucy Rose has just moved to Washington, D.C., and is struggling to fit in at her new school.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>