

## Additional Readings

### WEEK 1

### WEEK 2

#### By the Authors and Illustrators

**DiSalvo, DyAnne. *City Green*. HarperCollins, 1994.** Marcy decides to turn a vacant lot into an urban oasis by planting a garden with the help of other people.

**APPROACHING**

**White, E. B. *Stuart Little*. HarperTrophy, 1974.** The Little family is very surprised when their second child turns out to be a mouse. Stuart goes on many adventures.

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#### Related to the Theme

**James, Betsy. *My Chair*. Arthur A. Levine Books, 2004.** A group of children sit outside in their individual chairs as they gather to welcome a new neighbor.

**APPROACHING**

**Pfeffer, Wendy. *Dolphin Talk: Whistles, Clicks, and Clapping Jaws*. HarperCollins, 2003.** This book describes how dolphins communicate using squeaks, whistles, and pops.

**APPROACHING**

**Rylant, Cynthia. *The Bookshop Dog*. Blue Sky Press, 1996.** When Martha Jane's owner has to go to the hospital, the neighbors in her small town get together to care for the beloved dog.

**APPROACHING**

**Curtis, Patricia. *Animals You Never Even Heard Of*. Sierra Club Books, 1997.** This book presents 12 animals that are rare, threatened, or endangered.

**APPROACHING**

**Emberly, Michael. *Ruby and the Sniffs*. Little, Brown, 2004.** Ruby investigates the possibility of burglars in the apartment upstairs but finds some generous neighbors instead.

**ON LEVEL**

**George, Jean Craighead. *Animals Who Have Won Our Hearts*. HarperCollins, 1994.** This collection of stories tells about animals who became beloved and famous.

**ON LEVEL**

**Wahl, Jan. *Candy Shop*. Charlesbridge, 2004.** A boy and his aunt find hurtful words on the sidewalk outside the candy store owned by their new immigrant friend from Taiwan.

**ON LEVEL**

**Martin, Patricia A. *California Condors*. Children's Press, 2002.** This book describes the physical characteristics, habitat, and endangered status of California condors.

**ON LEVEL**

**Taubert, Clifton. *Little Cliff and the Porch People*. Dial, 1999.** Little Cliff is sent to buy special butter for Mama Pearl's sweet potatoes. However, he is delayed by all his neighbors.

**BEYOND**

**Arnold, Katya. *Elephants Can Paint Too!* Atheneum, 2005.** Learn about the amazing class of elephants that are taught to paint with their trunks.

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**Weller, Frances Ward. *The Day the Animals Came: A Story of Saint Francis Day*. Philomel, 2003.** A girl who misses her former home meets new animals and helpful neighbors in her new home.

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**Pringle, Laurence P. *Strange Animals, New to Science*. Marshall Cavendish, 2002.** Seventeen new species are in this book along with photos that show fascinating proof of the new discoveries.

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\*\* Classroom Library Title

WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
<p><b>Editors of TIME for Kids. <i>TIME for Kids: Benjamin Franklin: A Man of Many Talents</i>. HarperTrophy, 2005.</b> A straightforward account of Franklin's life and accomplishments is depicted.</p> <p><b>ON LEVEL</b></p>	<p><b>Lyon, George Ella. <i>Come a Tide. Orchard</i>, 1993.</b> When the rains come and wash away everything in sight, four families face the devastation with humor and grace.</p> <p><b>APPROACHING</b></p>	<p><b>Lyon, George Ella. <i>Weaving the Rainbow</i>. Simon &amp; Schuster, 2004.</b> An artist uses the wool from her sheep to weave a beautiful picture of the landscape outside her window.</p> <p><b>APPROACHING</b></p>
<p><b>Cutler, Jane. <i>The Cello of Mr. O. Dutton</i>, 1999.</b> A concert cellist plays in the town square to help his neighbors try to forget what has happened to their war-besieged city.</p> <p><b>APPROACHING</b></p>	<p><b>Suen, Anastasia. <i>The Clubhouse</i>. Viking, 2002.</b> With nothing to do on a summer day, five friends put their heads together and decide to build a clubhouse.</p> <p><b>APPROACHING</b></p>	<p><b>Ehlert, Lois. <i>Waiting for Wings</i>. Harcourt, 2001.</b> The life cycle of butterflies is depicted in a story with information on butterfly identification and how to grow a butterfly garden.</p> <p><b>APPROACHING</b></p>
<p><b>Waber, Bernard. <i>Courage</i>. Houghton, 2002.</b> This book provides examples of the many different people in everyday life who are good citizens, from students to firefighters.</p> <p><b>APPROACHING</b></p>	<p><b>Tarpley, Natasha. <i>Destiny's Gift</i>. Lee &amp; Low Books, 2004.</b> Destiny loves Mrs. Wade's bookstore, but when she discovers it may close she enlists people in her community to help.</p> <p><b>APPROACHING</b></p>	<p><b>Rockwell, Anne F. <i>Becoming Butterflies</i>. Walker &amp; Company, 2002.</b> A class observes the various stages caterpillars go through to become butterflies.</p> <p><b>APPROACHING</b></p>
<p><b>Blue, Rose. <i>Harriet Tubman: Riding the Freedom Train</i>. Millbrook Press, 2003.</b> This biography tells about a woman who spent her childhood in slavery and later helped others escape to freedom.</p> <p><b>ON LEVEL</b></p>	<p><b>Gregory, Valiska. <i>When Stories Fell Like Shooting Stars</i>. Simon &amp; Schuster, 1996.</b> When Fox sees the sun fall from the sky, his actions lead to war; but Bear helps the fallen moon back into place.</p> <p><b>ON LEVEL</b></p>	<p><b>Bunting, Eve. <i>Butterfly House</i>. Scholastic, 1999.</b> A young girl and her grandfather build a butterfly house and observe the different stages of the developing larva.</p> <p><b>ON LEVEL</b></p>
<p><b>Sachar, Louis. <i>Marvin Redpost: Class President</i>. Random House, 1999.</b> Marvin and his third-grade class have a surprise visitor—the President of the United States.</p> <p><b>ON LEVEL</b></p>	<p><b>Quattlebaum, Mary. <i>Jackson Jones and Mission Greentop</i>. Delacorte, 2004.</b> Jackson asks for help from his friends and neighbors to help save a community garden.</p> <p><b>ON LEVEL</b></p>	<p><b>Lerner, Carol. <i>Butterflies in the Garden</i>. HarperCollins, 2002.</b> This book shows the insect's transformation from caterpillar to butterfly with a review of many types of butterflies.</p> <p><b>ON LEVEL</b></p>
<p><b>Cooney, Barbara. <i>Eleanor</i>. Viking, 1996.</b> Eleanor Roosevelt had a lonely childhood but grew up to be a good citizen of the world with her many philanthropic activities.</p> <p><b>BEYOND **</b></p>	<p><b>Gibbons, Gail. <i>Recycle! A Handbook for Kids</i>. Little, Brown, 1992.</b> This book looks at recycling and the importance of working together to make our planet a safer/healthier place.</p> <p><b>BEYOND **</b></p>	<p><b>Cox, Judy. <i>Butterfly Buddies</i>. Holiday House, 2001.</b> Robin has a series of mishaps as she tries to become good friends with her partner on the class project of raising butterflies.</p> <p><b>BEYOND</b></p>
<p><b>Demi. <i>Mother Teresa</i>. McElderry Books, 2005.</b> This biography tells about Agnes Bojaxhiu, known as Mother Teresa, who spent most of her life helping the poor in Calcutta, India.</p> <p><b>BEYOND</b></p>	<p><b>Singer, Marilyn. <i>Josie to the Rescue</i>. Scholastic, 1999.</b> Josie is excited about her soon-to-be born baby sister, but she overhears her parents' concerns about finances and decides to help her family.</p> <p><b>BEYOND</b></p>	<p><b>List, Ilka Katherine. <i>Moths and Butterflies of North America</i>. Franklin Watts, 2002.</b> This book looks at moths and butterflies, their traits, and how they fit in the order of living things.</p> <p><b>BEYOND</b></p>