

Additional Readings:

WEEK 1

WEEK 2

By the Authors and Illustrators

Teague, Mark. *Flying Dragon Room*. Blue Sky Press, 1996. With the help of Mrs. Jenkins's special tools, Patrick builds a fabulous place of his very own.

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Rodanas, Kristina. *Dragonfly's Tale*. Clarion, 1995. Based on Zuni tribal lore, this story is about the importance of respecting nature.

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Related to the Theme

George, Jean Craighead. *How to Talk to Your Dog*. HarperCollins, 2000. In this humorous take on how to communicate with your dog, the author describes how people and dogs talk to each other.

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Berger, Barbara Helen. *All the Way to Lhasa: A Tale from Tibet*. Philomel, 2002. A young boy and his yak overcome many obstacles as a result of the boy's persistence.

APPROACHING

Lauber, Patricia. *The True or False Book of Dogs*. HarperCollins, 2003. Through a true or false format, the history, uses, and behaviors of dogs are discussed.

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Muth, Jon J. *Stone Soup*. Scholastic, 2003. Three clever monks show a village full of suspicious people how to be happy.

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Turner, Pamela S. *Hachiko: The True Story of a Loyal Dog*. Houghton, 2004. Though his master will never return home, Hachiko continues to wait for him. A story about loyalty and love.

ON LEVEL

**** Martin, Francesca. *Clever Tortoise: A Traditional African Tale*. Candlewick, 2000.** Tortoise leads the other jungle animals in teaching Elephant and Hippo a lesson by having them engage in a tug of war.

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Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw. *The Right Dog for the Job*. Walker and Company, 2004. An engaging photo essay that follows a golden retriever through his training to be a guide dog.

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Thompson, Lauren. *One Riddle, One Answer*. Scholastic, 2001. A sultan's daughter, who loves numbers and riddles, devises a plan to find a man who will become her husband.

ON LEVEL

Simon, Seymour. *Dogs*. HarperCollins, 2004. A basic introduction to the physical characteristics and behaviors of dogs, with great photos.

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Naidoo, Beverley. *Out of Bounds: Seven Stories of Conflict and Hope*. HarperCollins, 2003. A portrayal of young South Africans who lived under apartheid and how they worked against it.

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Hausman, Gerald. *Dogs of Myth: Tales From Around the World*. Simon and Schuster, 1999. A collection of traditional tales about dogs from around the world.

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Partridge, Elizabeth. *Kogi's Mysterious Journey*. Dutton, 2003. Kogi is a painter unable to capture the beauty that inspires him until he steps out of his body and experiences life as a fish.

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WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
<p>Editors of TIME For Kids. <i>TIME For Kids: Benjamin Franklin: A Man of Many Talents</i>. HarperTrophy, 2005. A clear and concise biography of one of the most remarkable Americans who ever lived.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Sobol, Richard. <i>Seal Journey</i>. Dutton, 1993. A photo essay with simple text that gives insight into the life cycle of the harp seal.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>*Teague, Mark. <i>Dear Mrs. LaRue: Letters From Obedience School</i>. Scholastic, 2002. Ike is sent to obedience school, and writes letters to Mrs. LaRue hoping that she will take him home.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>
<p>Gibson, Diane. <i>Wind Power</i>. Smart Apple Media, 2004. Describes wind energy and how it is generated.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>London, Jonathan. <i>Baby Whale's Journey</i>. Chronicle, 1999. A baby sperm whale is born off the coast of Mexico and we follow her as she feeds, dives, and communicates with her mother.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Demas, Corinne. <i>The Boy Who Was Generous with Salt</i>. Marshall Cavendish, 2002. Ned, a cook on a fishing schooner, thinks if he uses all the salt on board he'll return home sooner.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>
<p>Gibson, Diane. <i>Solar Power</i>. Smart Apple Media, 2004. Describes solar power, its advantages, and disadvantages.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Pringle, Laurence P. <i>Whales: Strange and Wonderful</i>. Boyds Mills Press, 2003. Introduces the behavior and unique characteristics of a wide variety of whales and describes efforts to save them.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Markle, Sandra. <i>Pioneering Ocean Depths</i>. Atheneum, 1995. Describes how scientists explore the ocean and includes simple home experiments that resemble those the scientists perform.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>
<p>Catherall, Ed. <i>Exploring Energy Sources</i>. Steck-Vaughn, 1998. Discusses current and future energy sources, such as solar, geothermal, oil, and natural gas.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Collard, Sneed B. <i>A Whale Biologist at Work</i>. Franklin Watts, 2000. Describes the work of a marine biologist who studies whales off the coast of California.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Page, Deborah. <i>Orcas Around Me: My Alaskan Summer</i>. Albert Whitman & Co., 1997. Daily life aboard an Alaskan fishing boat is recounted by a boy whose parents each operate a salmon boat.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>
<p>Miller, Kimberly. <i>What If We Run Out of Fossil Fuels?</i> Children's Press, 2002. Examines our dependence on fossil fuels and describes alternative energy sources.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Schuch, Steve. <i>A Symphony of Whales</i>. Harcourt, 1999. Glashka's dream about the singing of whales leads to the rescue of thousands of whales stranded in a freezing Siberian bay.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Roop, Peter. <i>Good-bye for Today: The Diary of a Young Girl at Sea</i>. Atheneum, 2000. Nine-year-old Laura writes in her journal about her voyage from Japan to the Arctic Sea aboard a whaling ship.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>
<p>Bickerstaff, Linda. <i>Oil Power of the Future: New Ways of Turning Petroleum into Energy</i>. Rosen Publishing, 2002. Presents the benefits and problems of using oil as fuel.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Ihimaera, Witi Tame. <i>The Whale Rider</i>. Harcourt, 2003. Kahu begins to develop a mysterious relationship with whales as her grandfather must find a male successor to lead their Maori tribe in New Zealand.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Creech, Sharon. <i>The Wanderer</i>. HarperCollins, 2000. Sophie and her cousin record their transatlantic crossing aboard a ship on its way to England.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>
<p>Snedden, Robert. <i>Energy from Fossil Fuels</i>. Heinemann, 2001. Describes how we get energy from fossil fuels and how the environment is affected.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Papastavrou, Vassili. <i>Whale</i>. Dorling Kindersley, 2004. Describes whales, dolphins, seals, and other marine mammals, their habitats, and family lives.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Philbrick, W. R. <i>The Young Man and the Sea</i>. Blue Sky, 2004. Twelve-year-old Skiff decides that he must earn money to help his father, so he travels to the ocean to catch a bluefin tuna.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>

* Main Selection from Student Book

** Classroom Library Title