

GR 8 Unit 3 (Places We Call Home)

Content Area: **English Language Arts**
Course(s):
Time Period: **Marking Period 2**
Length: **6 weeks**
Status: **Published**

Unit Overview

Unit Title: Places We Call Home

Essential Question: What are the places that shape who you are?

Standards

Materials/Activities/Resources

Core materials:

- HMH Into Literature
- Schoolwide Writing

Web Site Resources:

- Ed Your Friend in Learning
- Schoolwide Writing
- Newsela
- Lexia
- Reading A-Z

Technology

- Newsela
- Lexia
- Reading A-Z
- EdPuzzle
- Screencastify
- Full list on district teacher page

Assessment

Formative Assessment

- Teacher Observation
- Comprehension Quizzes
- Running Records
- Daily Lesson Checks and Correct & Redirect Opportunities in the Teacher's Guide

Summative Assessment

- Unit Test
- On Demand Pieces
- District Benchmarks
- F&P Benchmark (special education)

Accommodations & Modifications

Special Education

- In class/pull out support with special ed teacher
- Newsela/Readworks/Reading A-Z level reading passages
- Additional time during intervention time
- Preferred seating
- Questions read aloud
- Extended time for completing tasks
- Graphic organizers
- Vocabulary support
- Mnemonic devices
- Songs/videos to reinforce concepts
- Limit number of questions
- Scribe
- Study Guides
- Mixed Ability Grouping

504

- In class/pull out support with special ed teacher
- Newsela/Readworks/Reading A-Z level reading passages
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ELL

- Translation device/dictionary
- In class/pull out support with ESL teacher
- Newsela/Readworks/Reading A-Z level reading passages
- Additional time during intervention time
- Preferred seating
- Questions read aloud
- Extended time for completing tasks
- Graphic organizers
- Vocabulary support
- Mnemonic devices
- Songs/videos to reinforce concepts

At-Risk of Failure

- Additional time during intervention time
- Newsela/Readworks/Reading A-Z level reading passages
- Questions read aloud
- Graphic organizers
- Vocabulary support
- Mnemonic devices
- Songs/videos to reinforce concepts

Gifted & Talented

- Independent projects
- PEP/GEM class
- Above-Level Reading Materials

Interdisciplinary Connections

Social Studies Connections: Discuss Government Oppression; Research Languages, AAPI, Immigration

Visual and Performing Arts: Research Kazakh Folk Art

Social and Emotional Learning Connections

Learning Mindset: Self-Management, Social Awareness, Self-Awareness, Relationship Skills

Cultural Connections:

"Places We Call Home" - students will learn about how places shape people's identity and sense of belonging.

"The Book of Unknown Americans" - an immigrant from Panama

"My Favorite Chaperone" - immigrants from Kazakhstan

"Spirit Walking in Tundra" - settlement of Native Americans

"A Common Bond" - teens forge friendships despite differences

21st Century Life Literacies & Key Skills

Financial Health

Financial Landscape

Money Management

Career Awareness and Planning

Creativity and Innovation

Critical Thinking and Problem-solving

Digital Citizenship

Global and Cultural Awareness

Information and Media Literacy

Technology Literacy

Standards in Action: Climate Change

Career Ready Practices

- CRP1. Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.
- CRP2. Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.
- CRP4. Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason
- CRP5. Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions.
- CRP6. Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
- CRP11. Use technology to enhance productivity.

