

# Unit 2 - Getting Ideas

Content Area: **Language Arts**  
Course(s): **E/LA 2**  
Time Period: **Marking Period 1**  
Length: **6 weeks**  
Status: **Published**

## Essential Questions

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- What are some strategies you can use to spell unfamiliar words?
- How can you express interest in a classmate’s writing?
- Where can you get ideas for writing?

## Big Ideas

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- Generate writing ideas from their own lives
- Tell stories orally in preparation for writing and reading
- Writing sentences without the aid of sentence starters
- Begin writing multiple sentences
- Learn various strategies to spell unfamiliar words
- Use “think, pair, share” strategy
- Use prompts “I found out...” and “I like your story, because..” to express interest in and appreciation for one another’s writing
- Approximate spelling using letter–sound relationships

## Enduring Understandings

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Language Domain-

- L.RF.1.1- Demonstrate mastery of the organization and basic features of print (including those listed under L.RF.K.1); recognize and understand the distinguishing features of a sentence (e.g., first word, capitalization, ending punctuation).

- L.RF.1.2-Demonstrate mastery of spoken words, syllables, and sounds (phonemes) by using knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel sound to determine the number of syllables in a printed word.
  - B. Orally produce single-syllable words by blending sounds (phonemes), including consonant blends.
- L.RF.1.3- Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.
  - F. Read high-frequency and grade-level irregular words with automaticity (e.g. fly, walk, old).
  - G. Recognize the parts of high-frequency words that are regular and the parts that are irregular.
- L.RF.1.4- Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
  - A. Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding
  - B. Read grade-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression
  - C. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary
- L.WF.1.2– Demonstrate command of the conventions of encoding and spelling common, regular, single-syllable words (including those proficiencies listed in L.WF.K.2) with:
  - - A. Short vowels and single consonants.
    - B. Consonant graphemes including qu, x, and -ck; digraphs (thin, shop, when, much, sing); and doubled letters (off, will, mess).
    - C. Initial and final consonant blends (must, slab, plump).
  - L.WF.1.3- Demonstrate command and use of the convention of writing
    - B. Supply the “who”, “is doing”, “what”, in a subject-verb-object sentence frame.
    - C. Capitalize the first word of a sentence, days of the week, months, names of people, and proper names.
    - D. Match periods, question marks, and exclamation points to statements, questions, commands, and exclamations
    - F. Distinguish between a complete sentence and a sentence fragment and supply the missing phrase or clause.
    - H. Elaborate a simple subject or simple predicate, in response to questions who, what, where, when, how, or why.
    - I. Use conjunctions appropriately in sentences (e.g., and, but, so, and because).
- L.KL.1.1-With prompting and support, develop knowledge of language and its conventions

when writing, speaking, reading, or listening.

- L.VI.1.3. With guidance and support from adults, demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
  - D. Identify real-life connections between words and their use (e.g., note places at home that are cozy).
  - E. Distinguish shades of meaning among verbs differing in manner (e.g., look, peek, glance, stare, glare, scowl) and adjectives differing in intensity (e.g., large, gigantic) by defining or choosing them or by acting out the meanings

#### Reading Domain-

- RI.CR.1.1.- Ask and answer questions about key details in an informational text (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how)
- RI.CI.1.2- Determine the main topic and retell a series of key details in informational texts (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).
- RL.CR.1.1- Ask and answer questions about key details in a literary text (e.g., who, what, where, when, why, how).
- RI.AA.1.7- Identify the reasons an author gives to support points in a text and explain how that information is applied, with prompting as needed
- RL.IT.1.3- Describe characters, settings, and major event(s) in a story, using key details.
- RL.MF.1.6- With prompting and support, use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting.

#### Writing Domain-

- W.AW.1.1. With prompts and support, write opinion pieces on a topic or texts.
  - A. Introduce an opinion.
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  - B. Support the opinion with facts or other information and examples related to the topic.
- W.NW.1.3-With prompts and support, Write narratives of several complete sentences based on real or imagined experiences or events.
  - B. Provide dialogue and/or description and details of experiences, events, or characters
- W.RW.1.7- Engage in discussion, drawing, and writing in brief but regular

writing tasks.

#### Speaking and Listening Domain-

- SL.PE.1.1- Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 1 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.
  - B. Build on others' talk in conversations by responding to the comments of others through multiple exchanges.
- SL.II.1.2- Ask and answer questions about key details in a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media
- SL.AS.1.6- Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation.
- SL.PI.1.4. Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.

## **Spelling and Handwriting**

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Spelling:

Digraphs and Doubled Letters- ch, th, sh, wh, ph, -ss, -zz, -ll, -ff (Lists 2 and 3)

Standards- L.RF.1.3.A, L.RF.1.2.C, L.RF.1.3.B, L.WF.1.2.B

Handwriting:

The Foundations program is used as the foundation for letter development in print beginning in Kindergarten and continuing through First Grade. Foundations build foundational letter formation skills, presented through the reading, writing, and language standards. Students are actively engaged in learning through the use of multisensory techniques, with sounds, their

representative letters, and words with spelling options. Multiple opportunities for handwriting practice and application is provided to build mastery during Daily 5 rotations.

- GUIDED PRACTICE: Through the Foundations level one program, first grade students will continue the developmental progression of print through multisensory activities for letter formation and sound-symbol knowledge. In first grade, all students participate for the first 6 weeks, then BSIP students continue for the remainder of the year.
  - Unit 2 Goals- Letter formation for i, u, c and o.

- Letter-Key Sound
  - Teach the letter-sound association for i, u, c and o letters. They will also focus on n and m. Introduce each with sound cards. Say letter-keyword-sound and have students repeat.
- Sky Write/Letter Formation
  - Teach letter formation for the letters i, u, c and o. Have students stand and demonstrate sky writing each letter. Complete together several times.
- Echo/Letter Formation
  - Reinforce the correct pencil grip. Say the sound and hold up Echo the owl. Students repeat. Students will write on their dry erase writing tablets as you direct them with the letter formation verbalization.
- Student Notebook
  - Direct students to find the letters i, u, c and o in their student notebooks. Direct them to point to one letter at a time. Say the sound and color the corresponding picture.

## **Resources**

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Teacher's Manual

Student Journals

Chart paper/Markers

Mentor Texts-

- A Visit to the Zoo by Blake A. Hoena
- Chinatown by William Low
- Alma and How She Got Her Name by Juana Martinez-Neal
- Saturday by Oge Mora
- Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale by Mo Willems
- Mouse Views: What the Class Pet Saw by Bruce McMillian

