



BLUE VALLEY CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION
 English Language Arts | Fourth Grade
 Reading




Unit #: 8

Achieving Dreams

essential skills and content

<p>Overview</p>	<p>How do people set and meet goals? In Unit 8, students will be learning the humanities concepts of setting and reaching goals, overcoming challenges, achievement, and determination.</p> <p>Time Frame- 4 weeks</p>	
<p>Essential Questions</p>	<p>How can drawing conclusions about the text deepen my comprehension? How does comparing and contrasting information from the text enhance my learning? How can identifying text structure support comprehension? What is the difference between paraphrasing and summarizing? How can my inferences and connections help me ask and answer questions?</p>	
<p>Content/Skills</p>	<p>Target Skill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw Conclusions (RI 4.1) (RL 4.1) Practice Companion Volume 2 page 288 • Compare and Contrast (RL.4.1) (RI.4.1) Practice Companion Volume 2 page 306 • Identify Text Structure (RCCR.4.5) Practice Companion Volume 2 page 335 • Paraphrase (RL.4.1) (RI.4.1) Practice Companion Volume 2 page 354 <p>Comprehension Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inferences (RL 4.1) (RI 4.1) Practice Companion page 285 • Summarize (RL 4.2) (RI 4.2) Practice Companion Volume 2 pages 302-303 • Making Connections (RL 4.1) (RI 4.1) Practice Companion Volume 2 page 329 • Ask and Answers Questions (RL 4.1) (RI 4.1) Practice Companion Volume 2 page 349 	<p>Suggested skills and strategies to introduce and reinforce with this unit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theme (RL 4.2) • Poetry Elements (RL 4.5) • Figurative Language (L 4.5) • Author's Purpose (bias and attitude) (RI 4.8) • Character Traits (RL 4.3) <p>*Please note that practice companion pages are used to help guide instruction through independent or whole group learning.</p> <p>Suggested tools and resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brain Pop *purchased item • Discovery Education *purchased item • Lead 21 Website • Edmodo • Thinglink • Glogster • Padlet

	<p>Skills and Strategies may require additional resources and teaching.</p> <p>Word Study and Phonics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spelling Suffixes -tion, -ture, -ure; words from other languages; words with unusual spellings (RF 4.3) Practice Companion Volume 2 pages 280, 298, 324, 344 • Adverb Suffixes (RF 4.3a) Practice Companion Volume 2 pages 289 & 336 • Contractions with am, is, are, will (L 4.3) Practice Companion Volume 2 pages 307 & 355 <p>Vocabulary Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Antonyms (L 4.5c) E Handbook 6.3g Practice Companion Volume 2 pages 286-287, 351 • Analogies (L 4.5) Practice Companion Volume 2 pages 304-305 • Multiple Meaning Words (L 4.5) Practice Companion Volume 2 page 331 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study Island *purchased item • STARS and CARS *purchased item • Scoot Pad *free and paid versions • Common Core Language Arts 4 Today: Daily Skills Practice *purchased item • Mountain Language *purchased item • Time For Kids *purchased item • Scholastic News *purchased item

		
COMPONENT	REQUIRED	SUGGESTED
Formative Assessment	Running Records	Weekly Assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Week 1 and 2 as formatives • Practice companion pages • Study Island *purchased item • STARS and CARS *purchased item • Scoot Pad *free and paid versions
Summative Assessment	Quarterly Benchmark Assessment	Weekly Assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Week 3 and 4 as summative • E Handbook-Lead 21 online the last page • Differentiated Assessment • Vocabulary Quiz based on Theme Reader vocabulary

District-Wide Common Assessment	MAP Kansas State Test Placement Test	
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 learning experiences

COMPONENT	REQUIRED	SUGGESTED
Suggested Resources/ Learning Experiences	LEAD 21 Close Reading-strategy/skill two to three a week	
Content Literacy		
Technology / Media	LEAD 21- online field trip	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SMART-Resources • LEAD 21 online games and resources • EDMODO • Discovery Education *purchased item • Study Island *purchase • Brain Pop * purchase • Book Flix *purchase • IXL *purchase • Tumble Books *purchase • Pebble Go • Read Naturally
Differentiation / Intervention	Differentiated Readers Leveled Literacy Intervention (LLI) (Reading Support) Literacy Centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEAD 21-online coaching

 content-specific components

COMPONENT	REQUIRED	SUGGESTED
	<p>Inquiry Process</p> <p>21st Century Skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research • Note Taking & Paraphrasing • Collaboration • Listening Skills • Evaluate & Cite Sources • Use Library Resources 	<p>Possible Inquiry Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do people’s goals change at different stages of their lives? • What can we learn from how historical figures have overcome challenges? • What are some challenges people face as they work to achieve their goals? • How has a particular person influenced you? <p>Presentation Ideas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prezi • Wax Museum • Educreation • Voki/Sock Puppet • iMovie • Mock Interview