

GRADE 2

READING UNIT 7

READER'S THEATRE

UNIT SUMMARY

This is an integrated unit with Writing and Social Studies, as well as Art and Music. Students will learn the art of storytelling - dramatizing what they read. They will read plays, fairy tales and monologues and present them orally in groups and individually. They will learn to express stories in a theatrical way in any presentation mode that they see fit. (It could incorporate technology, props, etc).

ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS (EU) / ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS (EQ)

EU:

Readers compare, contrast, infer and ask questions to interpret the authors message.
Storytellers share their interpretation of a story and use their voice and body (expression, movement, tone and volume) to engage an audience.

EQ:

What questions could I ask when I am reading to help me interpret the author's message?
What strategies might I use when I am reading to help me interpret the author's message?
How do we make a story come alive?

I CAN STATEMENTS

I can speak clearly and confidently.
I can make eye contact with my audience.
I can stay in character throughout the story.
I can use facial expressions and hand/body gestures.
I can identify with my character and try to show his/her personality when presenting.
I can adjust my voice to show emotion, emphasize key words and volume.
I can listen to others when it is not my turn to present.
I can offer constructive feedback to my peers about their performance.

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