

Bridges to Literature
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Skills Chart
Level I

Unit	Selection	Literature Skills	Comprehension Skills	Vocabulary Skills
Unit 1: Fiction	Midas and the Golden Touch	Myth	Cause and Effect	Synonyms
	The Green Ribbon	Plot	Sequence	Prefixes and Suffixes
	The Fish Story	Conflict	Cause and Effect	Compound Words
	The Turtle and the Swans	Character	Predicting	Using the Dictionary
Unit 2: Poetry	River-Moon	Form		
	Windy Nights	Rhythm		
	Winter Dark	Metaphor		
	The Falling Star	Imagery		
	Genius	Story in Poetry		
	Dreams	Metaphor		
Unit 3: Nonfiction	<i>from</i> The Titanic: Lost and Found		Cause and Effect, Chronological Order	Compound Words
	Volcanoes: Mountains That Blow Their Tops		Details, Main Idea	Context Clues: Definitions
	Hunting Hurricanes		Main Idea and Supporting Details, Structural Features	Synonyms
Unit 4: Drama	These Shoes of Mine	Dramatic Form	Predicting	Compound Words
	Herbie	Science Fiction	Evaluating	Greek and Latin Roots
Unit 5: Mixed Genre	Sachiko Means Happiness	Climax	Drawing Conclusions	Prefixes and Suffixes
	<i>from</i> Childhood	Humor	Predicting	Affixes
	Three Hundred Pesos	Folk Tale	Compare and Contrast	Context Clues
	The More the Merrier	Speaker		
	Phoenix Farm	Point of View	Making Inferences	Syllabication
Unit 6: Fiction	Whitewashing the Fence	Character Motive	Making Judgments	Idioms
	A Dinner of Smells	Plot	Predicting	Synonyms
	The Debate in Sign Language	Theme	Compare and Contrast	Multiple Meanings
	Fifteen Minutes	Dialogue	Cause and Effect	Compound Words: Open and Closed
Unit 7: Nonfiction	Kenny Roberts: King of the Road		Evaluating Author's Purpose	Idioms
	Water Woman		Sequence, Author's Purpose	Specialized Vocabulary
	Satchel Paige: The Best Arm in Baseball	Biography	Cause and Effect	Context Clues: Restatement

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Unit 8: Mixed Genre	City Green	Setting	Predicting	Multiple Meanings
	I am Rosa Parks		Fact and Opinion, Author's Purpose	Context Clues: Definition
	You Dirty Rat		Sequence, Problem and Solution	Compound Words
Unit 9: Poetry	Before the Game	Imagery		
	Karate Kid	Speaker		
	This Team the Silver Spokes	Form		
	The Sidewalk Racer	Form		
	Final Score	Theme		
Unit 10: Mixed Genre	Gift of the Magi	Character Motive	Cause and Effect	Multiple Meanings
	Allen Jay and the Underground Railroad	Conflict	Making Inferences	Context Clues
	Harriet Tubman	Narrative Poem		
	One Grain of Rice	Plot	Sequence	Context Clues
	Mountain Medicine	Figurative Language	Cause and Effect	Idioms
Unit 11: History	The Trojan War: The Wooden Horse	Legend	Cause and Effect	Homophones
	The Roman Games		Cause and Effect, Structural Features	Greek and Latin Roots
	King Tut's Tomb: A Treasure and a Curse		Sequence, Details	Greek and Latin Roots
	The Longest Cemetery in the World		Main Idea, Author's Bias	Syllabication
Unit 12: Reader's Choice	Miles	Plot	Making Judgments	Idioms
	Helen Keller	Characterization	Compare and Contrast	Context Clues
	The Lindbergh Kidnapping		Details Classifying	Structural Analysis