

### Benchmark Grade 3 • Unit 1 • Scope and Sequence

Unit Topic	Essential Question	Enduring Understandings	Build Knowledge Word Bank	Read Alouds	Unit Poem	Research & Inquiry Project	Small-Group/ Independent Texts	Week	Decodable Readings	Short and Extended Reads (Complex Anchor Texts)	Vocabulary Practice Texts	Phonics & Word Study	Spelling Words	High-Frequency Words	Fluency Skill	Metacognitive & Fix-Up Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Vocabulary Strategies	Tier 2/Tier 3 Vocabulary Words	Writing	Grammar
Unit 1: Animal Adaptations	How do living things survive in their environment?	Over time, groups of living things develop and pass down certain features or traits that help them survive in their environments.  An adaptation is an inherited feature or trait that helps a living thing survive where it lives.		Choose from Unit 1 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"Something Told the Wild Geeese	Research Animal Survival	Knowledge-Building Library: Winnie's Watermelon (860L) Growing Plants (660L) Animals Help Plants (640L) What Am I? (580L) The Forest Friends (650L) Rain Forest Mystery (590L) Exploring and Preserving Nature (800L)	Week 1	Interactive Text: "How Animals Stay Cool"  Accountable Text: "How Animals Stay Warm"  Word Study Read: "The Remarkable Teeth of a Shark"	Short Read 1: "Animal Disguises"  Short Read 2: "Animals' Tools for Survival"	"How I Blend In"	Short Vowels	product contact address upset helpful until listen bread	of, for, from, said, all, and, both, by, call, the		Metacognitive: Ask Questions Metacognitive: Create Mental Images Fix-Up: Reread to Clarify or Confirm Understanding	Central Idea and Explain How Relevant Details Support That Idea Identify Text Structure:	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Unknown Words	General Academic Listening & Speaking: advantage blending in characteristics surfaces	Write an Explanatory Essay: Read a Mentor Text	Form and Use Regular Plural Nouns Use Abstract Nouns
		Different animals have different adaptations for survival depending on where they live, what they eat, and what they need protection from.					Opinions About Robot Bees (870L)  I Am a Botanist (850L)  Reader's Theater Scripts: The Jack and the Beanstalk Trial  Why Mole Lives Underground: A Folktale from Peru	Week 2	Interactive Text: "How Beaver Got His Flat Tail"  Accountable Text: "Why Turtle Sleeps Through Winter"  Word Study Read: "Caterpillar Self- Defense"		"Observations of the Kangaroo Rat"	Long a (a_e, ai, ay, a)	able afraid indicate hooray Tuesday explained became raise	was, saw, too, never, wash, water, no, right, is, into	Pausing—Short Pauses	Metacognitive: Ask Questions	Explain How	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Unknown Words	General Academic Listening & Speaking: functions classified role various	Write an Explanatory Essay: Read a Mentor Text	Form and Use Regular Present Tense Verbs
								Week 3	Interactive Text: "The Great Snowy Owl"  Accountable Text: "The Coolest Monkeys on Earth"  Word Study Read: "Why Loons Have Flat Backs"	"One Body, Many Adaptations"	"The Walrus"	Long o (o_e, oa, ow, o)  Long u (u_e, ue, ew, u)	float tomorrow continue broken obey few contribute united	one, once, want, also, another, better, bring, because, if, new	Pausing—Short Pauses Phrasing— Dependent Clauses	Metacognitive: Create Mental Images Fix-Up: Reread to Clarify or Confirm Understanding	Identify the Central Idea and Explain How Relevant Details Support That Idea Compare and Contrast How Two Authors Present Information on the Same Topic Use Central Idea and Relevant Details to Summarize a Text Understand Features of Poetry		General Academic Listening & Speaking: consume frigid sheds special features	Write an Explanatory Essay: Read a Mentor Text	Ensure Subject/ Verb Agreement Form Simple Sentences



## Benchmark Grade 3 • Unit 2 • Scope and Sequence

Unit Topic	Essential Question	Enduring Understandings	Build Knowledge Word Bank	Read Alouds	Unit Poem	Research & Inquiry Project	Small-Group/ Independent Texts	Week	Decodable Readings	Short and Extended Reads (Complex Anchor Texts)	Vocabulary Practice Texts	Phonics & Word Study	Spelling Words	High-Frequency Words	Fluency Skill	Metacognitive & Fix-Up Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Vocabulary Strategies	Tier 2/Tier 3 Vocabulary Words	Writing	Grammar
Unit 2: Ways Characters Shape Stories	How do our actions influence our lives?	Writers tell traditional tales including fables, tall tales, myths and folktales; these tales carry important messages and lessons for readers.      Every action has a consequence, and a story's plot is shaped by the actions of its	actions constructive traditional role consequence decisions	Choose from Unit 2 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"The Walrus and the	Research Tales from Other Countries	Knowledge-Building Library: Esme Solis, Superstar (550L)  A Winning Team (540L)  Red in the Face (600L)  Make Way for the Boston Duckling (600L)  Lexi's Lantern (590L)  Tommy Thompson's Talking Parrot (560L)	Week 1	Interactive Text: "Yay for Pete!"  Accountable Text: "Julie's Bike"  Word Study Read: "Geese for the Queen"	Short Read 1: "Two Aesop's Fables: Dog and Bone & Ant and Dove"  Short Read 2: "Two Famous Poems"	"Foul Ball!"	Long e (e_e, ea, ee, ey, y, ie, e)	really either cheese monkey only piece complete medium	there, their, they, about, always, any, blue, away, before, found	Expression— Characterization/ Feelings	Metacognitive: Draw Inferences Metacognitive: Make Connections Fix-Up: Reread to Clarify or Confirm Understanding	Describe	Distinguish Literal from Nonliteral Language—Similes Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic Listening & Speaking: gratefully reflection	Write to a Text- Based Prompt: Opinion Essay	Use Adjectives and Adverbs Correctly
		<ul> <li>Readers can learn from characters' actions and their consequences.</li> <li>People who think about the consequences of their actions can make caring and constructive decisions.</li> </ul>					Bex Falcon and the Mystery of the Missing Muffins (650L)  The Real Story of Jack and Jill (560L)  I Was There (590L)  Reader's Theater Scripts: Sleepless Beauty  The Old Lion and the Fox	Week 2	Interactive Text: "Liza and the Giant"  Accountable Text: "The Boy Who Cried Wolf"  Word Study Read: "Theseus and Minotaur"	Extended Read 1: "The Tale of King Midas: A Greek Myth"	"A Special Dinner"	" Long i (i_e, igh, y, ie, i)	myself final write science tries bright provided island	could, would, should, ask, around, number, came, same, out, our	Expression— Characterization/ Feelings	Metacognitive: Draw Inferences	Recount Story Details  Refer to Parts of Stories  Describe Characters and Explain How Their Actions Contribute to Events  Compare and Contrast the Plots of Stories  Explain How Illustrations Contribute to a Story	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic Listening & Speaking: appetizing blurted	Write to a Text- Based Prompt: Opinion Essay	Form and Use Irregular Past- Tense Verbs
								Week 3	Interactive Text: "Home Sweet Home"  Accountable Text: "Paul Bunyan and the Popcorn Blizzard"  Word Study Read: "Paul Bunyan's Big Thirst"	Extended Read 2: "Uncle Parrot's Wedding"	"Good Dog!"	Compound Words	underline everyone sometimes whatever underwater firefighter something cardboard	again, are, wash, be, but, after, them, four, just, things	Inflection/ Intonation— volume  Phrasing—Units of Meaning in Complex Sentences	Metacognitive: Make Connections Fix-Up: Read Out Loud to Support Comprehension	Explain How Their Actions Contribute	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic	Write to a Text- Based Prompt: Opinion Essay	Form and Use Regular Future Tense Verbs



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Unit 3: Government for the People	Why do people participate in government?	government gives people a voice in how their lives are governed.  • In a democracy, people have a civic duty to take part in government and contribute to their communities.  • Throughout history, people in the United States protested	responsibility	Choose from Unit 3 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"Lincoln Monument: Washington"	Research Social Change Advocates	Knowledge-Building Library: Get Involved in Your Community (640L)  The National Government (640L)  Community Changers (760L)  Saving Clayton House (550L)  Making a Difference (730L)  U.S. Government (770L)  Opinions About Banning Plastic Bags (880L)	Week 1	Interactive Text: "Wave the Flag!"  Accountable Text: "Electing a President"  Word Study Read: "Robert's Rules of Order"	Short Read 1: "Working Together"  Short Read 2: "Election Day"	"Remember to Vote!"	r-Controlled Vowels (/är/,/ôr/)	alarm charge starving forgot import ornament forward carnivore	been, both, water, round, then, full, funny, through, today, together	Inflection/ Intonation—Pitch	Metacognitive: Distinguish Between Important and Unimportant Information  Metacognitive: Summarize and Synthesize  Fix-Up: Read More Slowly and Think About the Words	Connections in a Text  Use Information Gained from Graphic Features and Text  Describe	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic	Process Writing: Informative/ Explanatory Essay	Form and Use Irregular Past- Tense Verbs
		unjust laws and worked with the government to gain rights and equal and fair treatment.  • There are many ways to participate in government, including: voting, proposing new laws, petitioning leaders, protesting inequality, and/ or serving as a volunteer or worker.					Eyewitness to Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" Speech (800L) We the People (830L) Reader's Theater Scripts: Jesse Owens: Fastest Human Plural Spelling Court	Week 2	Interactive Text: "A Debate About Voting"  Accountable Text: "One Nation from Many"  Word Study Read: "Thomas Paine"	"Fighters for Rights: Rosa Parks and Cesar Chavez"	"Diary of a Farmworker"	r-Controlled Vowels (-er, -ir, -ur)	circus summer serve occur return thirteen dangerous caterpillar	buy, carry, were, know, cold, went, white, does, light, goes	Phrasing—Units of Meaning in Complex Sentences	Metacognitive: Distinguish Between Important and Unimportant Information	Describe Cause/Effect Relationships and Connections in a Text  Use Information Gained from Graphic Features and Text  Determine Main Idea and Recount Key Details  Use Text Evidence to Draw inferences  Compare and Contrast the Most Important Points in Two Texts on the Same Topic	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic	Process Writing: Informative/ Explanatory Essay	Form and Use Regular Past-Tens Verbs
								Week 3	Interactive Text: "Your Local Government"  Accountable Text: "Checks and Balances"  Word Study Read: "One Nation from Many (was Iroquois League)"	Extended Read 2: "African-American and Women Get the Right to Vote"	Americans get the	Closed Syllables	button collect lesson problem subject suddenly except basket	these, those, word, only, open, don't, done, each, every, even	Speed/Pacing— Slow Expression— Dramatic Expression	Metacognitive: Summarize and Synthesize Fix-Up: Reread to Clarify or Confirm Understanding			Academic	Process Writing: Informative/ Explanatory Essay	Ensure Pronoun- Antecedent Agreement



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Unit 4: Comparing Points of View	What makes people view the same experience differently?	The narrator and the characters in a story have different perspectives, or ways of looking at the story's events.  Authors can explore the same characters using different perspectives, settings, and	character examine perspective narrator literary	Choose from Unit 4 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"Fish in a Bowl"	Character Study	Knowledge-Building Library: Camp Awesome (520L)  Cricket Concert (590L)  The Tao Twins' Trouble (650L)  A-Camping We Will Go (640L)  In Search of a Beanstalk (NP)  Bex Falcon and the Mystery of the Broken Window (680L)  The Secret Life of Wally Smithers (700L)	Week 1	Interactive Text: "Two Crows and a Pitcher"  Accountable Text: "Half-Empty or Half-Full"  Word Study Read: "Cap O' Rushes"	"Cinderella's Very Bad Day"  Short Read 2: "Cinderella, Too Much for Words"			because decrease future locate open receive unit potatoes	that, what, yellow, years, write, myself, much, find, small, such	Anticipation/ Mood	Metacognitive: Ask Questions Metacognitive: Create Mental Images Fix-Up: Read On to Clarify or Confirm Understanding	View From That of the Narrator or Characters Describe How Each Part of a Drama Builds on the Previous Parts	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases Distinguish Literal from Nonliteral Language	Academic Listening & Speaking: blanketed toil detectable horrendous	Write a Text-Based Prompt: Narrative	Comparative and Superlative Adjectives
		A play is a literary form with unique storytelling features.      We can learn about ourselves—and others—by examining and respecting others' perspectives.					Home is Where the Art Is (570L) The Blue Boys (580L)  Reader's Theater Scripts: Hansel and Gretel: The True Story  Cindy Eller Plays Ball: A Modern-Day Cinderella Tale	Week 2	Interactive Text: "A Big Move"  Accountable Text: "The Blind Men and the Elephant"  Word Study Read: "Coyote's Advice to His Pups"	Extended Read 1: "Rabbit and Coyote"	"The Mysterious Case of the Missing Package"	,	handle needle triple tackle bicycle terrible fable gentle	which, this, other, part, own, here, down, her, has, have	Speed/Pacing— Slow	Metacognitive: Ask Questions	Distinguish Reader's Point of View From That of the Narrator or the Characters  Explain How Illustrations Contribute to a Story  Compare and Contrast Stories with Similar Characters	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic	Write a Text-Based Prompt: Narrative	
								Week 3	Interactive Text: "King Midas"  Accountable Text: "Far from Earth"  Word Study Read: "Farmer Joe's New Employee"	Extended Read 2: "The Trial of Rabbit"	"The Great Homework Trial"	Vowel Team Syllables	coach exhausted release remaining toilet youth oatmeal highlight	then, when, put, work, word, soon, so, drink, how, old	Inflection/ Intonation—Stress Pausing—Short Pauses	Metacognitive: Create Mental Images Fix-Up: Stop and Think About the Author's Purpose	Describe How Each Part of a Drama Builds on the Previous Parts  Compare and Contrast Stories with Similar Characters  Analyze Point of View in a Poem	Meaning of Words	Academic	Write a Text-Based Prompt: Narrative	



#### Benchmark Grade 3 • Unit 5 • Scope and Sequence

Unit Topic	Essential Question	Enduring Understandings	Build Knowledge Word Bank	Read Alouds	Unit Poem	Research & Inquiry Project	Small-Group/ Independent Texts	Week	Decodable Readings	Short and Extended Reads (Complex Anchor Texts)	Vocabulary Practice Texts	Phonics & Word Study	Spelling Words	High-Frequency Words	Fluency Skill	Metacognitive & Fix-Up Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Vocabulary Strategies	Tier 2/Tier 3 Vocabulary Words	Writing	Grammar
Unit 5: Advancements in Technology	What is the value of innovation?	Inventions and new technology are created to solve problems.  Technology influences and changes how we live, work, communicate, play, and learn.  Inventors learn from and build upon the works of other inventors.	communication innovation develop information system	Choose from Unit 5 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"My Smart Phone Isn't Very Smart"	Research Important Innovations	Knowledge-Building Library: Beautiful Buildings (630L)  Deep Sea Technology (620L)  Share the Road (650L)  Machines That Solve Problems (680L)  Keep Out! Science Projects to Get Rid of Pests (720L)  Hans Helps Change the World (650L)	Week 1	Interactive Text: "Robots at Work"  Accountable Text: "Medical Robots"  Word Study Read: "The Longest Wire"	Short Read 1: "Dr. Shirley Jackson's Scientific Mind"  Short Read 2: "From Phone Calls to Video Chat"	"Amazing Grace"	VCe Syllables	desire enclosed surprise recognize telephone whole huge extreme	there, where, people, upon, under, again, are, been, brown, black	Pausing—Full Stops	Metacognitive: Draw Inferences  Metacognitive: Distinguish Between Important and Unimportant  Fix-Up: Read Out Loud to Support Comprehension	Describe Cause/Effect Relationships and Connections in a Text  Distinguish Reader's Point of View from That of the Author  Use Information Gained from Illustrations and Words (Photographs)	Distinguish Shades of Meaning Among Related Words (States of Mind) Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	General Academic Listening & Speaking: advances innovations concept distant	Process Writing: Opinion Essay	Use Coordinating Conjunctions/ Produce Compound Sentences
		Technology can help connect people and cultures.					Breakthrough Ideas (790L)  Motion and Sound: Early Moviemaking (790L)  Opinions About Playing Video Games (900L)  Reader's Theater Scripts: The Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk  The Lost Apostrophe	Week 2	Interactive Text: "Surfing the Web"  Accountable Text: "Getting from Here to There"  Word Study Read: "George Eastman"	A Curious Mind"	"Anna Du, Sixth Grade Engineer"	Vowel-r Syllables	force pattern perfect squirm sturdy mother over perform	who, through, many, ate, eight, different, do, to, long, look	Inflection/ Intonation—Pitch	Metacognitive: Draw Inferences	Describe Cause/Effect Relationships and Connections in a Text  Distinguish Reader's Point of View from That of the Author  Use Text Features to Locate Information  Compare and Contrast the Important Points in Two Texts on the Same Topic		General Academic Listening & Speaking: concentrate inspiration obtained transmitted	Process Writing: Opinion Essay	Use Subordinating Conjunctions/ Produce Complex Sentences
								Week 3	Interactive Text: "Smart Plastic"  Accountable Text: "Robot to the Rescue"  Word Study Read: "From Snapshots to Selfies"	Extended Read 2: "Hear All About It!"	"Patricia Bath: Doctor and Inventor"	Inflectional Endings -ed, -ing	studying feeling pointed recommended scratching waited carried using	why, with, laugh, draw, eat, first, hurt, little, going, three	Pausing—Full Stops Speed/Pacing— Varied	Metacognitive: Distinguish Between Important and Unimportant Information	Describe Cause/Effect Relationships and Connections in a Text  Use Information Gained from Illustrations and Words (Photographs)  Compare and Contrast the Important Points in Two Texts on the Same Topic  Analyze Poetic Structure	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic	Process Writing: Opinion Essay	Produce Simple, Compound, and Complex Sentences



### Benchmark Grade 3 • Unit 6 • Scope and Sequence

Unit Topic	Essential Question	Enduring Understandings	Build Knowledge Word Bank	Read Alouds	Unit Poem	Research & Inquiry Project	Small-Group/ Independent Texts	Week	Decodable Readings	Short and Extended Reads (Complex Anchor Texts)	Vocabulary Practice Texts	Phonics & Word Study	Spelling Words	High-Frequency Words	Fluency Skill	Metacognitive & Fix-Up Strategies		Vocabulary Strategies	Tier 2/Tier 3 Vocabulary Words	Writing	Grammar
Unit 6: Making Decisions	What helps us solve problems?	Realistic fiction stories take place in real-life settings with believable characters and plots.      Authors can approach similar themes in a variety of settings, with different plots and characters.      Characters' actions have	actions decisions, decision-making realistic fiction consequences impact problem-solving	Handbook Selections and Recommended	"Choices"	Research Important Innovations	Knowledge-Building Library: Two Lumps of Sugar (530L)  Whispers from Nature: Two Native American Stories (530L)  Elliot's Pen Pal (580L)  Powerful Princess Ariadne: Based on the Myth of Theseus and the Minotaur (640L)  The Meal and the Deal: All About Greed in Two	Week 1	Interactive Text: "Emma's Secret Dream"  Accountable Text: "The Legend of Molly Pitcher"  Word Study Read: "The Incredible Goose"	"A President for Everyone"	"A Helping Hand"	Irregular Plurals	leaves women people wolves fungi lives geese themselves	of, for, from, think, gave, give, good, kind, my, now	Inflection/ Intonation—Pitch	Make Connections  Metacognitive: Summarize and Synthesize  Fix-Up: Reread to	Explain How Characters' Actions Influence Story Events  Determine the Central Message or Lesson in a Story  Compare and Contrast Themes in Stories by the Same Author  Use Dictionaries to Determine or Clarify the Precise Meaning of Key Words and Phrases	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	General Academic Listening & Speaking: privilege vigorous designate honor	Write a Narrative Response to a Text-Based Prompt	Form and Use Irregular Plural Nouns Recognize the Difference Between Written and Spoken English
		consequences that impact the story.  • Readers can learn problem-solving and decision-making skills by thinking about characters' actions and their consequences					All About Greet III INVO Folktales (610L)  When Red Met Wolfie (520L)  Bex Falcon and the Mystery of the Missing Gecko (680L)  The Perfect Pet (600L)  The Great Molasses Flood: Sleet and Hail Save the Day (730L)  Reader's Theater Scripts: The Lion and the Rabbit: A Fable from India  The Fox and Grapes at Belleville Elementary	Week 2	Interactive Text: "Good Night"  Accountable Text: "Mr. Moody's House"  Word Study Read: "The Kid and the Wolf"	Extended Read 1: "Rapping Magicians"	"Camp Canoe"	Long oo Short oo	choose loose soup fruit foolish good lose through	was, saw, or, over, people, put, read, said, seven, sing	Expression— Dramatic Expression	Metacognitive: Make Connections	Explain How Characters' Actions Influence Story Events  Determine the Central Message or Lesson in a Story  Compare and Contrast Themes in Stories by the Same Author  Use Dictionaries to Determine or Clarify the Precise Meaning of Key Words and Phrases  Recount Key Story Events  Distinguish Reader's Point of View from That of a Character	to Determine the	General Academic Listening & Speaking: afford magnificent real-looking registration	Write an Information/ Explanatory Response to a Text-Based Prompt	Choose Between Regular, Comparative, and Superlative Adjectives or Adverbs Depending on What Is to Be Modified
								Week 3	Interactive Text: "The Right Choice"  Accountable Text: "A Difficult Decision"  Word Study Read: "Canine Cousins: The Fox and the Wolf"		"The Dance Off"	Diphthongs /ou/ (ou, ow)	announce around about however flower crowd found brown	one, once, stop, thank, were, which, want, warm, was, big	Speed/Pacing—Fast Expression— Characterization/ Feelings	Summarize and Synthesize Fix-Up: Read On to Clarify or Confirm	Explain How Characters' Actions Influence Story Events  Determine the Central Message or Lesson in a Story  Compare and Contrast Themes in Stories by the Same Author  Use Dictionaries to Determine or Clarify the Precise Meaning of Key Words and Phrases  Explain Author's Purpose and Message in a Poem	to Determine the	Listening &	Write an Opinion Response to a Text-Based Prompt	Recognize the Difference Between Written and Spoken English



# Benchmark Grade 3 • Unit 7 • Scope and Sequence

Unit Topic	Essential Question	Enduring Understandings	Build Knowledge Word Bank	Read Alouds	Unit Poem	Research & Inquiry Project	Small-Group/ Independent Texts	Week	Decodable Readings	Short and Extended Reads (Complex Anchor Texts)	Vocabulary Practice Texts	Phonics & Word Study	Spelling Words	High-Frequency Words	Fluency Skill	Metacognitive & Fix-Up Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Vocabulary Strategies	Tier 2/Tier 3 Vocabulary Words	Writing	Grammar
Unit 7: Communities: Then and Now	What is a community?	Communities are places where people live and work.  Communities can be urban, suburban, or rural areas.  Each community has its own unique and defining characteristics.  History, culture, and geographical location impact communities and how they grow and change.	characteristics culture history geographic location unique	Choose from Unit 7 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"City"	Research a Community	Knowledge-Building Library: Many Museums (740L)  Two Tales of Celebrations (530L)  Road Trip (570L)  Nigozi's Story (610L)  Mastering Maps (720L)  Two Communities Over Time (770L)  The History of Two Cities: Houston and Miami (780L)  My Life and Hometown (840L)	Week 1	Interactive Text: "The Mission District"  Accountable Text: "Life in the City"  Word Study Read: "The Mission District"	Short Read 1: "My St. Augustine Journal"  Short Read 2: "A New Life in Vermont"	"From Somalia to Chicago"	Suffixes -er, -or	emperor character visitor inventor soldier actors painters players	there, their, they, buy, best, fly, ride, way, well, hot	Confirm and Correct Word Recognition and Understanding	Metacognitive: Apply Strategies Fix-Up: Stop and Think about the Author's Purpose	View from That of the Author	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases Identify Real-Life Connections Between Words and Their Uses	Academic	Process Writing: Narrative	Review Verb Tenses (Simple Past, Present, and Future)
							Geography: Exploring Our World (880L)  Reader's Theater Scripts: The Big Cheese  A Visit to New Amsterdam	Week 2	Interactive Text: "Community Action"  Accountable Text: "Stone Soup"  Word Study Read: "The Levi Coffin House"	Extended Read 1: "All Kinds of Communities"	"Eatonville"	Homophones	board bored do due tail tale wood would wear where eight ate	could, would, should, of, keep, day, time, show, like, green	Speed/Pacing— Varied	Metacognitive: Apply Strategies	View from That of the Author Explain How a Text's Illustrations	and Their Uses	Academic	Process Writing: Narrative	Form and Use Possessives Use Commas and Question Marks in Dialogue
								Week 3	Interactive Text: "An Awesome Book"  Accountable Text: "People of the Longhouse"  Word Study Read: "Wind and Wildflowers"	"Sarah and the Chickens"	"My Urban Vegetable Garden'	Variant Vowel /ô/	crawl ought pause straws pitfall thawing called taught	come, some, done, does, grow, live, give, other, many, yes	Speed/Pacing— Varied  Inflection/ Intonation—Pitch	Metacognitive: Apply Strategies Fix-Up: Read Out Loud to Support Comprehension		Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic	Process Writing: Narrative	Use Commas and Question Marks in Dialogue  Choose Words and Phrases for Effect  Recognize and Observe Differences Between the Conventions of Spoken and Written Standard English



#### Benchmark DVANCE. Grade 3 • Unit 8 • Scope and Sequence

Unit Topic	Essential Question	Enduring Understandings	Build Knowledge Word Bank	Read Alouds	Unit Poem	Research & Inquiry Project	Small-Group/ Independent Texts	Week	Decodable Readings	Short and Extended Reads (Complex Anchor Texts)	Vocabulary Practice Texts	Phonics & Word Study	Spelling Words	High-Frequency Words	Fluency Skill	Metacognitive & Fix-Up Strategies	Comprehension Strategies	Vocabulary Strategies	Tier 2/Tier 3 Vocabulary Words	Writing	Grammar
Unit 8: Weather and Climate	How do we understand change?	Weather can change from day to day or moment to moment.      Scientists observe and record weather patterns over long periods of time to understand a region's climate.	climate pattern predict/ predictions region temperature	Choose from Unit 8 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"Who Has Seen the Wind?"	Research a Community	Knowledge-Building Library: The Legend of Morning Star (540L)  Hot-Air Balloon Race (600L)  Changing Coastlines (550L)  Volcanoes Erupt! (720L)  Long Along the Rio Grande (700L)  Naming Planet X (630L)	Week 1	Interactive Text: "Blizzard!"  Accountable Text: "Hurricane Watch"  Word Study Read: "Blizzard Alert!"	Short Read 1: "Fairweather Clouds"  Short Read 2: "Earth's Weather and Climate"	"The Great Blizzard"	Hard c Soft c	accent accident cancel concerned certain computer innocent scarf	done, eight, made, make, start, place, pick, try, sleep, six	Intonation-	Metacognitive: Apply Strategies Fix-Up: Read More Slowly and Think about the Words		Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases Distinguish Literal from Nonliteral Language: Metaphors	Academic	Process Writing: Research Project	Use Adjectives Correctly
		Earth has different climate zones with distinct seasons and weather patterns.      Weather and climate affect people's lives.      Scientists can use climate data and knowledge of weather patterns to predict the weather.					Wildfires (800L)  Weather Reporters on the Job (780L)  The Ultimate Thrill Ride (760L)  Reader's Theater Scripts: The Winter Weather Machine Path From Extinction	Week 2	Interactive Text: "A Rainbow of Colors"  Accountable Text: "Bill Rides a Tornado"  Word Study Read: "How the North Island Came to Be"	Extended Read 1: "After the Storm"	"Where's Daisy?"	Hard g Soft g	change damage gadget again germs great manage revenge	give, live, have, walk, with, wish, will, we, than, fast	Confirm or Correct Word Recognition and Understanding	Metacognitive: Apply Strategies	Recount Story Details Distinguish Reader's Point of	and Phrases  Distinguish Literal from Nonliteral Language:	Academic	Process Writing: Research Project	Ensure Pronour Antecedent Agreement
								Week 3	Interactive Text: "Tornado!"  Accountable Text: "The Tidal Wave"  Word Study Read: "Predicting Hurricanes"	Extended Read 2: "Tropical Rain Belt"	"All About Hurricanes"	Diphthong /oi/ Diphthong /ou/	annoying appointment browse mountain outside powerful sprout moisture	these, those, was, must, pull, put, five, help, why, who	Expression— Characterization/ Feelings Expression— Dramatic Expression	Metacognitive: Apply Strategies Fix-Up: Reread to Clarify or Confirm Understanding	Use Information Gained from Illustrations and Words  Compare and Contrast Key Points in Two Texts on the Same Topic  Describe Cause/Effect Relationships and Connections in a Text  Analyze Personification and Imagery in a Poem	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	Academic	Process Writing: Research Project	Ensure Subject- Verb Agreemen



# Benchmark Grade 3 • Unit 9 • Scope and Sequence

Unit Topic	Essential Question	Enduring Understandings	Build Knowledge Word Bank	Read Alouds	Unit Poem	Research & Inquiry Project	Small-Group/ Independent Texts	Week	Decodable Readings	Short and Extended Reads (Complex Anchor Texts)	Vocabulary Practice Texts	Phonics & Word Study	Spelling Words	High-Frequency Words	Fluency Skill	Metacognitive & Fix-Up Strategies		Vocabulary Strategies	Tier 2/Tier 3 Vocabulary Words	Writing	Grammar
Unit 9: Spending Time and Money	What do our economic choices tell us about ourselves?	Economic resources include both time and money, and people are constantly making decisions about these resources.      There are benefits and costs to the economic choices people and businesses make.      Personal decisions influence how and why people spend		Choose from Unit 9 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"Pet Shopping"	Research a Good	Knowledge-Building Library: Open For Business (650L) Inside Factories: How Products Are Made (670L) Money Matters (710L) A Recipe for Success (630L) Trade: What Happens and Why (780L) Opinions About Spending Money (850L) Making a Budget (580L)		Interactive Text: "Computer Whiz Kid"  Accountable Text: "Volunteer!"  Word Study Read: "The Milkmaid"	·	"The Bread Business"	Suffixes -able, -ful, -less  Prefixes dis-, un-	useful reckless wonderful truthful wireless valuable sizable worthless	that, what, play, us, up, he, got, she, off, back	Inflection/ Intonation—Stress  Phrasing—Units	Metacognitive:	a Text  Compare and Contrast Key Details in Two Texts on the Same Topic  Determine the Central Message or Lesson in a Story	to Determine the Meaning of Words and Phrases	founders	Multimedia Presentation	Use Coordinating and Subordinating Conjunctions to Produce Compound and Complex Sentences
		why people spend their money.  • People and businesses interact as they make and sell different goods and services.  • Making goods and services requires people to					Money, Money, Money (780L)  U.S. Economy (800L)  Reader's Theater Scripts: The Great Lemonade Standoff  The Antonym Family's Very Bad* Day		"The King's Road"  Accountable Text: "The Shade Tree"  Word Study Read: "Two Foolish Brothers"	"Lucky Hans"	Paddy"		distract unable unveil disappear unhappy unused dislike	go, jump, its, not, saw, say, see	of Meaning in Complex Sentences	Apply Strategies	Details  Explain How Illustrations Convey Character  Determine the Central Message or Lesson in a Story	from Nonliteral Language	Academic Listening & Speaking: briskly wince	Presentation	Regular and Irregular Verbs
		have certain skills and knowledge.						Week 3	Interactive Text: "Try Something New!"  Accountable Text: "A New Business"  Word Study Read: "Where Do You Get Your Produce?"	Extended Read 2: "From Fruit to Jam: A Tasty List of Choices"		Prefixes pre-, re-	prediction previous remarked reverse preorder recycled reuse prebake	fall, his, more, please, take, use, used, yes, then, when	Inflection/ Intonation—Stress Phrasing—High- Frequency Word Phrases	Fix-Up: Stop and Think About the Author's Purpose	Describe Procedural Relationships and Connections in a Text  Compare and Contrast Key Details in Two Texts on the Same Topic  Use Text Features to Locate Information Relevant to a Topic  Analyze How Stanzas Build on Earlier Sections	and Phrases	Academic	Multimedia Presentation	Use Coordinating and Subordinating Conjunctions to Produce Compound and Complex Sentences



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Unit 10: Forces and Interactions		Objects in contact exert forces on each other.  Movement is caused by unbalanced forces acting on an object.  By observing and measuring patterns of motion, we can predict how things will move.	force motion position movement energy	Choose from Unit 10 Read Aloud Handbook Selections and Recommended Trade Books.	"The Wind"	Research a Good	Knowledge-Building Library: ThreeTwoOne LIFTOFF! (580L)  Hot and Cold in the Kitchen (660L)  Hot and Cold Cooking (630L)  Lily the Robot (700L)  The Ultimate Sandcastle (630L)  Playground Physics (780L)	Week 1	"How Not to Win at Baseball"  Word Study Read: "The Tortoise and the Hare"	"What Makes Things Move?"	"The Science Experiment"  "What is a Thunderstorm?"	Unaccented Final Syllables -en, -on, -ain, -in  Suffixes (-ing, -ment, -ness)	chosen heaven ribbon prison fountain curtain muffin dolphin  amusement improvement settlement happiness sadness	far, hold, most, pretty, tell, very, you, your, there, where  who, though, am, red, can, run, clean, too, may, him	Confirm or Correct Word Recognition and Understanding Inflection/ Intonation— Volume	Apply Strategies	Distinguish Reader's Point of View from That of the Narrator  Describe Procedural Relationships and Connections in a Text  Distinguish Reader's Point of View from That of the Narrator	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meanings of Words and Phrases Distinguish Literal from Nonliteral Language  Use Context Clues to Determine the Meanings of Words and Phrases	commotion predictable observe  General Academic Listening & Speaking:	Poetry	Use Subordinating Conjunctions to Form Complex Sentences  Form and Use Irregular Verbs
		We can use our knowledge of forces and interactions to solve problems.      Forces of nature, such as gravity and magnetism, have					Electric and Magnetic Funomena (700L)  The Science Behind an Illusion (840L)  Light and Sound (530L)  Reader's Theater		Accountable Text: "Androcles and the Lion"  Word Study Read: "The Merchant's Donkey"				warning building weakness				Recount Key Story Details Compare and Contrast Two Texts on the Same Topic	Distinguish Literal from Nonliteral Language	gust cascading		
		direct impact on people's lives and have inspired literature throughout history.					Scripts: Mushing in Alaska Farflings from Farflung	Week 3	Interactive Text: "Solar Eclipse"  Accountable Text: "Arctic Meltdown"  Word Study Read: "Why Didn't I Think of That?"		"Mya's Magnet Report"	Introduce Related Words	sacred sacrifice solve solution invent invention explain explanation	why, with, as, get, cut, let, sit, had, man, me	Inflection/ Intonation—Pitch Expression— Dramatic Expression	Metacognitive: Apply Strategies Fix-Up: Read More Slowly and Think About the Words	Describe Procedural Relationships and Connections in a Text  Draw Inferences  Compare and Contrast Two Texts on the Same Topic	Use Context Clues to Determine the Meanings of Words and Phrases Distinguish Literal from Nonliteral Language	General Academic Listening & Speaking: repel aligns reaction particles	Reflect on Writing	Form and Use Possessives