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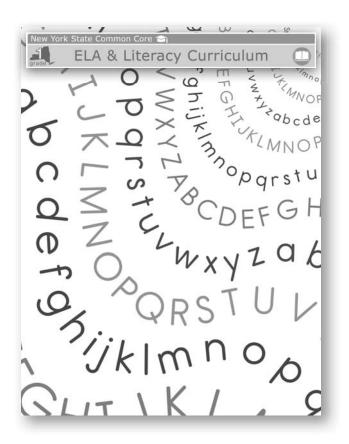
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Alignment Chart for Unit 6

The following chart demonstrates alignment between the Common Core State Standards and corresponding Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) goals.

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Alignment	Alignment Chart for Unit 6	1 2	က	4	2	9		8	10	=======================================	12	13	4	15	16 1	17 1	18	19 20	0 21	22	23	24	25
Reading	Reading Standards for Literature: Grade	ure:	Gra	de	-																		
Key Ideas	Key Ideas and Details																						
STD RL.1.1	Ask and answer questions about key		details in a text.	a tex	ند																		
CKLA Goal(s)	Ask and answer questions (e.g., who, what, where, when), orally or in writing, requiring literal recall and understanding of the details, and/or facts of a fiction text read independently					>	>	>	>	, <u>, </u>	>	>	>	>		>	>	<u> </u>	>	>	<u> </u>	>	>
Range of I	Range of Reading and Level of Text C	t Con	omplexity	xity																			
STD RL.1.10	With prompting and support, read prose and poetry of appropriate complexity for Grade 1.	l prose	and p	oetry	of ap	prop	riate c	comp	lexity	for G	rade	1.											
CKLA Goal(s)	Read (with a partner or alone) and understand decodable text of appropriate complexity for Grade 1 that incorporates the specific code knowledge taught					>	>	>	>	>	>	>	>	>		>	>	>	>	>	>	>	>
Reading	Reading Standards for Foundation	ation	onal Skills: Grade 1	kil	<u>S:</u>	Gra	de	_															
Print Concepts	epts																						
STD RF.1.2d	Segment spoken single-syllable words	vords in	into their complete sequence of individual sounds (phonemes)	ir cor	nplete	bes e	nence	e of in	divid	Jal sc	spund	oyd)	nem	.(S).									
CKLA Goal(s)	Segment and blend phonemes to form one-syllable words						>					>	>							>	>		

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		-	2	4	2	9	7	8	9		11 12	5	4	15 1	16	17 18	3 19	20	7	22	23	42	52
Phonics at	Phonics and Word Recognition		-					-							-	-	-						
STD RF.1.3	Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	ics an	ld wor	d ana	lysis	skills	in dec	oding	Word	S.													
STD RF.1.3b	Decode regularly spelled one-syllable words.	able w	ords.																				
CKLA Goal(s)	Read and/or write one-syllable words that include the letter-sound correspondences taught	>		>					>	>						>					>	>	
STD RF.1.3d	Use knowledge that every syllable must have a vowel sound to determine the number of syllables in a printed word	e musi	have	a vov	vel so	und t	o dete	ermine	the r	qunu	er of s	syllab	les in	a pri	nted	word.							
CKLA Goal(s)	Identify the number of syllables (i.e., vowel sounds) in spoken and written words						>					>	>								>		
STD RF.1.3e	Decode two-syllable words following	ing ba	basic patterns by breaking the words into syllables.	ıttern	s by k	oreaki	ng the	e word	ls into	sylla	bles.												
CKLA Goal(s)	Read and/or write two-syllable words composed of the following syllable types: closed syllables; magic 'e' syllables; vowel digraph syllables; r-controlled syllables						>					>	>								>		
STD RF.1.3f	Read words with inflectional endings.	ngs.																					
CKLA Goal(s)	Read words with the following inflectional endings: plural nouns ending in -s or -es; present-tense verbs ending in -s, -es, or -ing; past-tense verbs ending in -ed									>									>				
STD RF.1.3g	Recognize and read grade-appropriate irregularly spelled words.	priate	irregul	arly s	pelled	d wor	ds.																
CKLA Goal(s)	Read and/or write Tricky Word: Unit 6: cow										>				>								

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25 24 33 22 2 20 6 8 17 16 15 Read grade-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings. Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary 4 73 12 Ξ 9 0 ∞ Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension. _ ဖ Ŋ Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding. 4 ო N cent; 'g' > /g/ as in *got* or /j/ as recognition and understanding, Read and write words in which correspondences taught, with incorporates the letter-sound incorporates the letter-sound in *gem*; 'n' > /n/ as in *nap* or c' > /k/ as in cat or /s/ as in purpose and understanding confirm or self-correct word conjunction with context to expression on successive Read decodable text that Read decodable text that correspondences taught, with increased accuracy, rereading as necessary appropriate rate, and Use phonics skills in **Additional CKLA Goals** /ng/ as in pink readings **STD RF.1.4a** STD RF.1.4b **STD RF.1.4c STD RF.1.4 Fluency** CKLA Goal(s) CKLA Goal(s) CKLA Goal(s) CKLA Goal(s)

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Writing S	Writing Standards: Grade 1																						
Text Types	Text Types and Purposes																						
STD W.1.3	Write narratives in which they recount two or more appropriately words to signal event order, and provide some sense of closure.		vo or	more e sen	appi se of	ropria f closu	tely s are.	edner	nced	two or more appropriately sequenced events, include some details regarding what happened, use temporal de some sense of closure.	s, incl	nde s	some	detai	s reg	ardin	g wh	at hag	opene	ed, us	e ten	ıpora	_
CKLA Goal(s)	Plan, draft, and edit a personal narrative with a title, recounting two or more appropriately sequenced events, including some details about what happened, using temporal words to signal event order, and providing some sense of closure	>	>	>	>																		
Production	Production and Distribution of Writing	ing																					
STD W.1.5	With guidance and support from adults, focus on a topic, respond to questions and suggestions from peers, and add details to strengthen writing as needed.	adults,	focus	on s	a topi	ic, res	puod	l to qu	lestio	ns an	d sug	gestic	ons fr	ош р	eers,	and	add d	letails	to st	rengt	hen v	vriting	
CKLA Goal(s)	With guidance and support from adults, focus on a topic, respond to questions and suggestions from peers, and add details to strengthen writing as needed				>																		
STD W.1.6	With guidance and support from adults, use a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers.	adults,	nse s	s varie	ety or	fdigit	al too	Ils to p	orodu	ice an	and b	lish v	vriting	y, incl	nding	in co	ollabo	oratio	n with	n peel	ί,		
CKLA Goal(s)	With guidance and support from adults, use a variety of digital tools to produce and publish writing, including in collaboration with peers				>																		

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Speaking	Speaking and Listening Standards: Grade	ırds:	G	gad	Φ -				-	-											
Presentation	Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas	SE																			
STD SL.1.4	Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.	d even	S Wi	th rel	evant	deta	ils, ex	press	bi gnis	eas a	nd fe	eling	s clea	ırly.							
CKLA Goal(s)	Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly	>	>	>	>																
STD SL.1.6	Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation. (See Grade 1 Language Standards 1 and 3 on page 36 for specific expectations.)	approl	oriat	e to t	ask aı	nd sit	uatio	J. (Se	e Gra	de 1 l	-angı	Jage	Stand	dards	1 and	1 3 or	n page	36 fc	or spe	cific	
CKLA Goal(s)	Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation																				
Language	Language Standards: Grade 1																				
Convention	Conventions of Standard English																				
STD L.1.1	Demonstrate command of the con	conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking	of s	stand	ard E	nglish	ı gran	ımar	and u	sage	whei	writi	ng or	sbeg	ıking.						
STD L1.1a	Print all upper- and lowercase letters.	ίς.																			
CKLA Goal(s)	Write from memory the letters of the alphabet accurately in upper- and lowercase form																				
STD L.1.1b	Use common, proper, and possessive nouns.	ive nou	ns.																		
CKLA Goal(s)	Identify common and proper nouns					,	>					>						>			
STD L.1.1d	Use personal, possessive, and ind	indefinite pronouns (e.g., I, me, my; they, them, their; anyone, everything).	rono	nns (e.g., /	, me,	my; t	hey, i	hem,	their;	anyc	ne, e	verytl	ing).							
CKLA Goal(s)	Use personal, possessive, and indefinite pronouns orally and in own writing					,	>	>			>	>						>		>	
STD L.1.1e	Use verbs to convey a sense of past, present, and future (e.g., Yesterday I walked home; Today I walk home;	st, pres	ent,	and fi	uture	(e.g.,	Yeste	ırday	l walk	ed hc	me;	Today	/ I wa	lk hoi	ne; T	ошо	Tomorrow I will walk home)	will w	alk hc	me).	
CKLA Goal(s)	Use regular present, past, and/ or future tense verbs correctly orally and in own writing																		>		

25 24 83 22 7 20 19 4 9 15 4 > Lesson 13 12 Ξ 9 6 Use frequently occurring conjunctions (e.g., and, but, or, so, because). ∞ / 9 Ŋ 4 က N Use frequently occurring adjectives. conjunctions (e.g., and, but, or, so, because) orally and in own writing Identify and use adjectives orally and in own writing Use frequently occurring Alignment Chart for Unit 6 STD L.1.1g STD L.1.1f CKLA Goal(s) CKLA Goal(s)

Use determiners (e.g., articles, demonstratives).

STD L.1.1h

CKLA Goal(s)	Use determiners (e.g, the, a, this, that) orally and in writing
STD L.1.1i	Use frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., during, beyond, toward).
CKLA Goal(s)	Use frequently occurring prepositions (e.g., during, beyond, toward) orally and in writing
STD L.1.1j	Produce and expand complete simple and compound declarative, interrogative, imperative, and exclamatory sentences in response to prompts.
CKLA Goal(s)	Build simple and compound declarative, interrogative, and exclamatory sentences orally in response to prompts
STD L.1.2	Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.
STD L.1.2a	Capitalize dates and names of people.
CKLA Goal(s)	Capitalize dates and names of \checkmark \checkmark \checkmark

Use end punctuation for sentences.

STD L.1.2b

Identify and use end

punctuation, including periods, question marks, and exclamation points in writing

CKLA Goal(s)

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STD L.1.2c	Use commas in dates and to separate	arate s	ingle	Word	single words in a series.	a seri	es.																
CKLA Goal(s)	Use commas in dates and to separate single words in a series				>			>		>				>				>	>				
STD L.1.2d	Use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns and for frequently occurring irregular words.	rds witl	l cor	nmor	spel	ling p	atter	ns ar	nd for	frequ	ently	occu	rring 1	rregu	ılar w	ords.							
CKLA Goal(s)	Spell and write one-syllable words using the letter-sound correspondences taught in Grade 1, using the Individual Code Chart as needed	>			>	>				>	>			>	>	,			>				
	Spell and write high-frequency tricky words	>			>	/				>	>			>	>				>				
STD L.1.2e	Spell untaught words phonetically, drawing on phonemic awareness and spelling conventions.	y, draw	ing o	n ph	onem	ic aw	varen	ess a	ds pu	oelling	con	ventio	ns.										
CKLA Goal(s)	Write phonemically plausible spellings for words that cannot be spelled correctly with current code knowledge (e.g., write bote for boat, sum for some, hunee for honey, etc.)			>	>																		
Vocabular	Vocabulary Acquisition and Use																						
STD L.1.4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on Grade 1 reading and content, choosing flexibly from an array of strategies.	of unk	JOWI	and	multi	ple-n	neani	ng w	ords (and p	hrase	es bas	sed or	ı Gra	de 1	readii	ng an	d col	ntent	, choc	osing	flexil	ХIС
STD L.1.4a	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.	clue to	the	nean	ng of	a wc	ord or	, phra	ise.														
CKLA Goal(s)	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase														>								
STD L.1.4c	Identify frequently occurring root words (e.g., look) and their inflectional forms (e.g., looks, looked, looking)	words	(e.g.	look) and	their	inflec	ctions	al forr	ns (e.	g., 100	oks, k	оокеа	, 100	king).								
CKLA Goal(s)	Identify frequently occurring root words (e.g., look) and their inflectional forms (e.g., looks, looked, looking)										>									>			

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STD L.1.6	Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, r conjunctions to signal simple relationships (e.g., because).	Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using frequently occurring conjunctions to signal simple relationships (e.g., because).
CKLA Goal(s)	Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using frequently occurring conjunctions to signal simple relationships (e.g., because)	
Addition	Additional CKLA Goals	
Orally produce	Orally produce sounds represented by spellings	
Identify the cor	Identify the correct spelling when given a sound	\rightarrow \right

These goals are addressed in all lessons in this domain. Rather than repeat these goals as lesson objectives throughout the domain, they are designated here as frequently occurring goals.

Unit 6 Introduction

Week One				
Day (Lesson 1)	Day 2 (Lesson 2)	Day 3 (Lesson 3)	Day 4 (Lesson 4)	Day 5 (Lesson 5)
Spelling: Introduce Spelling Words (15 min.)	Introducing the Tricky Spelling: The Tricky Spellling 'c' (10 min.)	Warm-Up: Speedy Sound Hunt (10 min.)	Introducing the Spelling Alternatives: Spellings for /s/ (10 min.)	Spelling: Spelling Assessment (15 min.)
Introducing the Spelling Alternatives: Spellings for /s/ (10 min.)	Introducing the Tricky Spelling: Tricky Spelling Practice (15 min.)	Reviewing the Tricky Spelling: Word Sort with Tricky Spelling 'c' (10 min.)	Introducing the Spelling Alternatives: Leaf Sort (15 min.)	Writing: Edit and Publish Personal Narratives (45 min.)
Introducing the Spelling Alternative: Spelling Tree for /s/ (10 min.)	Writing: Planning a Class Personal Narrative (35 min.)	Writing: Draft a Class Personal Narrative (40 min.)	Writing: Planning and Drafting Student Personal Narratives (35 min.)	
Writing: Introduction to Writing Personal Narratives (25 min.)	Take-Home Material: Planning Letter	Take-Home Material: Planning Letter	Take-Home Material: Word Sort	
Take-Home Material: Spelling Words				
60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.

Week Two				
Day 6 (Lesson 6)	Day 7 (Lesson 7)	Day 8 (Lesson 8)	Day 9 (Lesson 9)	Day 10 (Lesson 10)
Spelling: Introduce Spelling Words (15 min.)	Warm Up: Segmenting and Blending Two- Syllable Words (15 min.)	Warm Up: Building Sentences (15 min.)	Warm Up: Building Phrases with Adjectives and Building Sentences with Prepositions (15 min.)	Spelling: Spelling Assessment (15 min.)
Practice: Tricky Spelling 'c' (10 min.)	Grammar: Nouns and Pronouns (20 min.)	Review: Tricky Spelling 'g' (10 min.)	Grammar: Nouns and Pronouns (20 min.)	Introducing the Spelling Alternatives: Spellings for /n/ (5 min.)
Practice: Spelling Alternatives for /s/ (10 min.)	Small Group Reading: The Picnic by the River (25 min.)	Review: Spelling Alternatives for /j/ (10 min.)	Small Group Reading: "Ants" (25 min.)	Introducing the Spelling Alternative: Spelling Tree for /n/ (15 min.)
Whole Group Reading: Mister Spencer and the Rabbits (25 min.)	Take-Home Material: "Mister Spencer and the Rabbits"	Small Group: Reread "The Picnic by the River" (25 min.)	Take-Home Material: Count the Sounds	Small Group Reading: "The Band" (25 min.)
Take-Home Material: Spelling Words				Take-Home Material: Word Sort
60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.

Week Three						
Day 11 (Lesson 11)	Day 12 (Lesson 12)	Day (Lesson 13)	Day 14 (Lesson 14)	Day 15 (Lesson 15)		
Spelling: Introduce Spelling Words (15 min.)	Warm-Up: Pronoun Review Card Sort (15 min.)	Warm-Up: Segmenting and Blending Two- Syllable Words (15 min.)	Warm-Up: Segmenting and Blending Two- Syllable Words (15 min.)	Spelling: Spelling Assessment (15 min.)		
Practice: Word Sort/ Label the Picture (25 min.)	Reviewing Tricky Words: Tricky Word Story (20 min.)	Grammar: Nouns and Pronouns (20 min.)	Grammar: Building Sentences with Adjectives and Prepositions (20 min.)	Grammar: Plural Noun Review (20 min.)		
Small Group Reading: "The Yard Sale" (20 min.)	Small Group Reading: "The Storm" (25 min.)	Small Group Reading: "Dark Clouds and Wind" (25 min.)	Small Group Reading: "In the Storm Shelter" (25 min.)	Partner Reading: "The Visit" (25 min.)		
Take-Home Material: Spelling Words		Take-Home Material: "The Band"				
60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.		

Week Four						
Day 16 (Lesson 16)	Day 17 (Lesson 17)	Day 18 (Lesson 18)	Day 19 (Lesson 19)	Day 20 (Lesson 20)		
Spelling: Introduce Spelling Words (15 min.)	Warm-Up: Tricky Word Review (15 min.)	Warm-Up: Speedy Sound Hunt (15 min.)	Warm-Up: Building Phrases with Adjectives and Building Sentences with Adjectives and Prepositions (20 min.)	Spelling: Spelling Assessment (15 min.)		
Introducing the Spelling Alternatives: Spellings for /w/ (5 min.)	Dictation: Sound Dictation (20 min.)	Introducing the Spelling Alternatives: Spellings for /ng/ (5 min.)	Introducing the Tricky Spelling: Tricky Spelling 'n' (5 min.)	Grammar: Pronoun Review (20 min.)		
Introducing the Spelling Alternatives: Spelling Tree for /w/ (15 min.)	Partner Reading: "Supper" (25 min.)	Introducing the Spelling Alternatives: Spelling Tree for /ng/ (15 min.)	Introducing the Tricky Spelling: Tricky Spelling Practice (15 min.)	Partner Reading: "The Frog Jumping Contest" (25 min.)		
Small Group Reading: "The Soccer Game" (25 min.)		Small Group Reading: "Grace the Performer" (25 min.)	Small Group: Reread "Grace the Performer" (25 min.)			
Take-Home Material: Spelling Words		Take-Home Material: "The Visit"				
60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.		

Week Five						
Day 21 (Lesson 21)	Day 22 (Lesson 22)	Day 23 (Lesson 23)	Day 24 (Lesson 24)	Day 25 (Lesson 25)		
Warm-Up: Present, Past, and Future Tense Review (15 min.)	Warm-Up: Pronoun Review Card Sort (15 min.)	Warm-Up: Segmenting and Blending Two- Syllable Words (15 min.)	Unit Assessment: Word Recognition (25 min.)	Unit Assessment: Story Comprehension (25 min.)		
Grammar: Root Words and Endings (20 min.)	Dictation: Dictation with Vowel Digraphs (20 min.)	Small Group: Label the Picture/Count the Sounds (20 min.)	Break: Wiggle Cards (10 min.)	Break: Wiggle Cards (10 min.)		
Small Group Reading: "The Spinning Wheel" (25 min.)	Small Group Reading: "Buster the Pig" (25 min.)	Small Group Reading: "Whisper" (25 min.)	Small Group Reading: "The Harvest" (25 min.)	Small Group Reading: "The Harvest Marvel" (25 min.)		
Take-Home Material: "The Frog Jumping Contest"		Take-Home Material: "Pronoun Practice"				
60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.	60 min.		

Spelling Alternatives

In this unit you will continue the work you began in the last unit by introducing or reviewing a number of spelling alternatives for consonant sounds.

Here are the sounds and spellings that are either reviewed or introduced in this unit:

- /s/ spelled 's', 'ss' (review); 'c', 'ce', and 'se' (new)
- /z/ spelled 'z', 's', 'zz' (review)
- /m/ spelled 'm' and 'mm' (review)
- /n/ spelled 'n', 'nn' (review), and 'kn' (new)
- /ng/ spelled 'ng' (review) and 'n' (new)
- /w/ spelled 'w' (review) and 'wh' (new)

Note that, as was the case in the last unit, several of the spellings covered in this unit are review items. There is actually relatively little new code knowledge taught in this unit.

Note also that the sounds have once again been arranged by place of articulation so that the sister sounds /s/ and /z/ are taught consecutively and the three nasal sounds (/m/, /n/, /ng/) are taught as a group. This may be helpful because these are the sounds students are most likely to confuse.

In this unit students will also learn that the spelling 'c' stands for /k/ as in *cat* or /s/ as in *cent*, and the spelling 'n' stands for /n/ as in *nap* or /ng/ as in *pink*. Both 'c' and 'n' are tricky spellings because they stand for more than one sound.

Spelling Alternatives Lessons and Tricky Spelling Lessons

Most of the lessons in this unit are devoted to introducing common spelling alternatives for sounds that students already know. Two lessons are tricky spelling lessons in which students will learn to use probability strategies and context clues to self-correct their reading of words that contain the ambiguous spellings 'n' and 'c'. In CKLA we teach decoding and encoding as connected processes. In Spelling Alternative lessons the primary direction is from sound to print, reviewing sounds, and introducing new spellings. In Tricky Spelling lessons the primary direction is from print to sound, reading words, and determining the pronunciation of 'c' or 'n'.

Warm-Ups

Some Warm-Ups in this unit review grammar concepts with students. One such Warm-Up is building phrases with adjectives. In this Warm-Up you will model adding three adjectives to a noun, one at a time, with the goal of creating specific and concrete mental images. For example, you will say the word *ball*, then the phrase "red ball," then the phrase "round, red ball," and finally the phrase "big, round, red ball." Encourage students to create mental images of these phrases.

Students will practice identifying nouns and verb tenses. Students will also practice expanding sentences by adding prepositions to provide more detail and provide a clearer mental image of the action in the sentence.

In addition, students will continue to orally practice letter-sound correspondences, using the Individual Code Charts. Please choose the spellings that students need to practice the most.

Other Warm-Ups provide students the opportunity to review segmenting and blending two-syllable words, using the three-step method of blending/segmenting one syllable at a time.

There are a few lessons in this unit that do not have a Warm-Up (e.g., the writing lessons and spelling lessons).

Small Group Work

In this unit we continue to provide explicit instructions on how to integrate small group work. Small group work is signaled by a star in a dark circle. We generally suggest exercises for two groups, assuming that Group 1 consists of students who need more support and Group 2 of students who can work independently. Of course, you may subdivide your class further. We typically suggest small group work either during story reading time or during worksheet work. You will have the choice to (1) have both groups work on the same skill with the independent group working on their own while the other group receives guidance from you or (2) reteach/reinforce a skill that you feel needs to be practiced more with Group 1. For reteaching/reinforcing skills please reuse material from relevant lessons and consult the Unit 6 Pausing Point for additional exercises and worksheets. Please keep in mind that you do not have to use the small group configuration every time that we suggest it and that you can adapt other lessons so that they contain small group work.

Grammar

The grammar lessons in this unit cover nouns and pronouns. You will introduce the pronouns *he*, *she*, *it*, *we*, *they*, *I*, and *you*. Students have been reading these words for many weeks, but at this point they will learn to match pronouns to the nouns to which they refer and vice versa.

Tricky Words

You will introduce one Tricky Word for this unit: *cow*. Students may be able to read this word on their own when they recognize it looks similar to the previously taught Tricky Word *how*.

Reader: Grace

The Reader for this unit is called *Grace*, and is about a girl named Grace who lives on a farm in the Midwest. The stories in this Reader take students through Grace's daily life on the farm and in the country.

The stories in this Reader are a bit longer, on average, than the stories in the previous Reader. We trust that many students will be ready for slightly longer stories as they begin to read more fluently. If you have very slow readers, they may not be able to do repeated readings of all the stories. You may wish to have slower readers read only some of the stories in the Reader, allowing them more time to spend on each story. This kind of picking and choosing will work well for this Reader since it is a collection of stories rather than a continuous narrative that carries on through a whole series of stories. Almost all of the stories in the Reader can stand alone. Please note that there is not always a new story in each lesson.

The stories in this Reader are printed in a new font. Up to this point, all student materials have been printed in a font that was selected because it looks a lot like the letters students are being taught to write and that features the single-story 'a' and single-story 'g'. Beginning in this Reader, we switch to a font that has the double-story 'a' and double-story 'g'. The new font is more like the fonts students will see in most trade books. In addition, the dot marking the division of syllables is removed. Should students need help reading multi-syllable words, remind them that each syllable may have several consonant sounds, but it will only have one vowel sound. You may review how to clap the syllables of a word, and the three-step method for reading multi-syllable words: they should first sound and blend the spellings in the first syllable, then sound and blend the spellings in the second syllable, and then put them together.

Note that there is no Big Book for this unit. If you feel that you need to demonstrate the stories to students, you can do one of the following: (1) use the Media Disk for this Reader, (2) copy the stories onto transparencies and project them, or (3) read from the Reader and let students follow along. You should continue to observe student performance, monitoring as many individual students or reading groups as possible. Each story is accompanied by a set of discussion questions in the Teacher Guide. Please discuss these questions with students orally and encourage them to answer in complete sentences.

Story Questions Worksheets

We continue to include a Story Questions worksheet for each story in the Reader. Most of these can be done as part of the main lesson.

Writing

In this unit you will introduce students to personal narratives. Students first explore the writing genre through excerpts of personal narratives. You will then work together with the class to plan and draft a class personal narrative of a shared class experience, such as a recent class field trip or school assembly.

We use a three-stage writing process in these lessons. First students plan, then they draft, and then they edit. You will be asked to draw attention to these steps as students work on these and subsequent kinds of writing. You are encouraged to have students publish their work using digital resources, as those resources are available.

Assessments

This unit includes two assessments.

The first assessment, in Lesson 24, assesses students' ability to read individual words that contain the spellings taught in this unit. It is a Word Recognition Assessment that allows you to assess students all at once. Students who score lower than 8 out of 10 probably need more practice with the spellings covered in this unit. We encourage you to analyze students' responses, noting which spellings still seem to be difficult for particular students or groups of students. Based on this information, group students and plan exercises that you will use to remediate. There are opportunities and suggestions for remediation in several lessons of the unit.

The second assessment, in Lesson 25, is also administered to the whole class at once but is more holistic. It is a Story Comprehension Assessment that assesses students' ability to read a story similar to the ones in the Reader and answer comprehension questions in a fixed period of time. If students take an inordinately long time to read the story or have difficulty answering the questions in the time allotted, we suggest that you meet individually with students and listen to them read the story a second time. For more details, see Lesson 25.

The purpose of both assessments is to help you determine which students are doing well with the program and which students need more practice reading words with particular spellings or connected text. Look for opportunities to have stronger students read or do lightly supervised work while you remediate with students who need additional support.

Additional Materials for Unit 6

Some additional materials are needed for specific lessons of Unit 6. These materials are always listed in the At a Glance chart at the beginning of each lesson. For your convenience, a complete list of additional materials is included here.

- Sticky notes of two different colors; enough for each student (see Lesson 5)
- Index cards
- · Chart paper
- Yellow, green, and brown paper for the Spelling Trees in Lessons 1, 10, 16, and 18
- Transparent, plastic page protectors, 1 per student starting in Lesson 4

Pausing Point

The exercises in the Pausing Point are a resource for you to use throughout the unit. They offer a variety of opportunities to practice the material covered in Unit 6. The exercises can be used to differentiate your instruction. In addition to spending some time on the Pausing Point after your class has completed the entire unit, you can use the exercises as substitutions or extensions for exercises in a given lesson to reinforce one or more objectives. In the lessons you will find references to relevant activities in the Pausing Point.

It is important to note that the material in the Pausing Point, such as word lists and chains, contains all of the spellings taught in the unit. If you decide to use an exercise from the Pausing Point before you have reached the end of the unit, make sure to use chains and words that are decodable at the point at which you are in the unit. Decodable words, chains, phrases, and sentences are listed at the end of the spelling alternatives lessons.

Assessment and Remediation Guide

A separate publication, the *Assessment and Remediation Guide*, provides further guidance in assessing, analyzing, and remediating specific skills. This guide can be found online at http://www.coreknowledge.org/AR-G1-U6. Refer to this URL for additional resources, mini-lessons, and activities to assist students who experience difficulty with any of the skills presented in this unit.