Grade Level/Subject: 4th Grade Reading

Unit: Unit 2-Reading Nonfiction & Information Writing

Phoenixville Area School District Understanding by Design Template

Stage 1 Desired Results				
Overarching PA Core or National	Transfer Students will be able to independently use their learning to			
Standards:				
(Eligible Content)	 Develop the life-long habit of reading across genres for enjoyment and knowledge/learning. 			
	 Communicate ideas effectively in writing to address task, purpose, genre, perspective, and intended audience. 			
E04. B-K.1.1.1	 Research to critically evaluate and analyze sources, synthesize concepts and evidence, an 	d present conclusions with		
Refer to details and examples in a text when	academic integrity.			
explaining what the text says explicitly and when	Read closely and analytically to comprehend a range of increasing complex literary and informational text.			
drawing inferences from the text.	Meaning-Making			
E03.B-K.1.1.2 Determine the main	UNDERSTANDINGS	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS		
idea of a text and	Students will understand that	Students will keep		
explain how it is supported by key	 Effective readers use appropriate strategies to construct meaning. 	considering		
details; summarize the	Critical thinkers actively and skillfully interpret, analyze, evaluate, and synthesize	How do strategic readers create		
text. E04.B-K.1.1.3	information.	meaning from informational and		
Explain events, procedures, ideas,	Effective research requires the use of varied resources to gain or expand knowledge.	literary text?		
steps, or concepts in a		How does a reader's purpose		
historical, scientific, or technical text, including	 An expanded vocabulary enhances one's ability to express ideas and information. 	influence how text should be		
what happened and		read?		
why, based on specific information in the text.				
E04.B-C.2.1.2		How does one organize and		
Describe the overall structure (e.g.,		synthesize information from		
chronology,		various sources?		
comparison, cause/effect,		What strategies and resources		
problem/solution) of		does the learner use to figure		
events, ideas, concepts, or information and text		out unknown vocabulary?		

features in a text or part of a text.

E04.B-C.3.1.1

Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.

E04.B-C.3.1.2

Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to demonstrate subject knowledge.

E04.B-C.3.1.3

Interpret text features (e.g., headings, graphics, charts, timelines, diagrams) and/or make connections between text and the content of text features.

E04.B-V.4.1.1

Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 4 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.

E04.C.1.2.1

Introduce a topic for the intended audience and group related information in paragraphs and/or sections to support the writer's purpose.

E04.C.1.2.5

Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented

E04.C.1.2.2

Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other

Knowledge and Skills Acquisition

Students will know...

- Previewing nonfiction texts allows readers to evaluate resources.
- Nonfiction text structures help determine the information that is important.
- Nonfiction text features allows readers to learn more about a topic.
- Nonfiction readers create summaries of their reading that include the main ideas and key details of the topic, stated in the reader's own words.
- Nonfiction texts present common challenges.
- Text can be written as narrative, expository, or hybrid nonfiction.
- Readers look across their text, finding patterns and making connections.
- Research synthesizes information when studying a topic.
- Various strategies can be used to comprehend unfamiliar words.
- Writers develop a focus for their writing by developing a thesis statement.
- When writing about a topic, writers use an essay structure to clearly communicate their ideas.
- Various types of evidence can be used to support a main idea or thesis (lists, mini-stories, quotes).
- Writers use their introductions and conclusions to get their reader invested in their writing.
- Writers revise their writing by rereading with a purpose.
- Writers edit using lenses by rereading their writing several times making edits as they go.
- Writers use punctuation to make sentences easier to understand, as well as have an effect on how their readers engage with the text.

Students will be skilled at...

- -Students will be able to recognize the text structure.
- -They will determine the main ideas and supporting details, based on how the author organized the text and delivered the important information.
- -Able to determine what information applies to the main ideas and what is just interesting or irrelevant.
- -Gather information from other features that are not part of the text.
- -Gather and combine information, in their own words about the same

information and examples related to the topic.

E04.C.1.2.3

Link ideas within categories of information using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because). E04.D.2.1.2 Choose punctuation for effect.

E04.D.2.1.3

Choose words and phrases for effect.

E04.C.1.2.4 Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.

E04.D.2.1.1

Choose words and phrases to convey ideas precisely.

E04.D.1.1.7

Correctly use frequently confused words (e.g., to, too, two; there, their, they're).

E04.D.1.1.6

Produce complete sentences, recognizing and correcting inappropriate fragments and run-on sentences.

VOCABULARY:

Author's purpose, chronology, illustration, topic, main idea, supporting details, events, procedures, ideas, cause and effect, text structure, sequence, solution, evidence, support, graphic/heading/chart (text features), heading, narrative, expository.

topic across multiple texts.

-Define and apply words that are new or unfamiliar and/or related to understanding the text using context clues.

	Stage 2 – Evidence				
Evaluative Criteria	Assessment Evidence				
What criteria will	PERFORMANCE TASK(S):	Differentiation			
be used in each assessment to evaluate attainment of the desired results?	-Students will complete a multiple-choice test based on identifying text structure. They will read different short passages and choose the structure developed within each passage.	Considerations:			
	-Caulkins UOS Post Assessment question 1 to assess students' ability to summarize a text.	-Text can be read to student.			
	-Caulkins UOS Post Assessment question 4 to assess students' ability to synthesize focused on important information and eliminating irrelevant information from text.	-They can record their responses orally.			
	-Caulkins UOS Post Assessment question 3 to assess students' ability to understand non-fiction text according to how the author has written it (author's craft) Caulkins UOS Post Assessment question 2 given as multiple choice, evidence based selected response to assess understanding of parts to the whole text.	-Give the students an illustrated list of text structures with examples that students can use as reference.			
	-Student will look at a sample passage including multiple examples of text features and they will label the text features.	-Eliminate one or more multiple choices			
	-Students will complete a short, written response assessment for vocabulary. The teacher will	according to student.			
	give the students the taught and practiced vocabulary words. Each word will be used in a	-Give specific students			
	sentence (in context) and the students will answer a question to show they understand the	Main idea/details chart			
	meaning of the word.	with assessment.			
	Example: Amanda was <u>coping</u> with the loss of her cat. What might she have done to show that?	-Sentence Starters for			
	that:	students to formulate			
	-Writing Pieces	their responses to UOS			

	-Students will use their group's research to write an information piece.	Post Assessment
		Questions.
	Grade appropriate rubric being created	
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What criteria will be used in each	OTHER EVIDENCE:	Differentiation
assessment to evaluate	-Students will conduct an oral presentation based on their research presentation.	Considerations:
attainment of the desired results?	-Dramatic reenactment of a favorite part of a text they read.	-Choose the text features for some students to use
	-Students will give a weather report using text features as their visual representation, to guide their oral presentation.	in the forecast and/or limit the features they
		use.
		-Some students work independently, and some may work in pairs.