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Discussion Guide
Catalog

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**The Acorn People** by Ron Jones (Bantam Edition, 1977). First-person account of a challenging but rewarding experience as a counselor at a summer camp for young people with disabilities. 80 pages. Two Discussion Guides. **RL7 IL7+/720L (NEW FORMAT)**

- **P07-JONTG** Teacher’s Guide with reproducible assessment pages $25 each
- **P07-JONSG** Packet of 10 Student’s Guides $50
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- **P07-JONHP** Homeschool Pack $25 each

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- **P07-YATSC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45
- **P07-YATUT** Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

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- **P07-FRATG** Teacher’s Guide with reproducible assessment pages $30 each
- **P07-FRASG** Packet of 10 Student’s Guides $65

**At Her Majesty’s Request: An African Princess in Victorian England** by Walter Dean Myers (Scholastic Inc., 1999). The biography of an African princess who became the protégée of Queen Victoria, who placed her in a family and provided for her education. She returned to Africa as the wife of an African missionary businessman and became a teacher and mother. 140 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL5 IL5-7/1070L**

- **P07-MYE2TE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
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- **P07-MYE2SC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

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- **P07-CAR3TE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
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- **P07-CAR3SC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45
P07-CAR3UT Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

The Double Life of Pocahontas, by Jean Fritz (Puffin Books Edition, 1987). A biography that relates the founding of Jamestown and the conflict between the English and Native Americans, focusing on the tragic consequences of this conflict in Pocohontas’ life. It depicts other colonial and Native American leaders (Captain John Smith, Powhatan, and John Rolfe) as well. 85 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 5-9/910L

P07-FRITE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
P07-FRISNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $65
P07-FRISC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $40
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P07-LEVUT Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

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P07-UCHSC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $60

It Came from Ohio: My Life as a Writer by R. L. Stine (Scholastic Edition, 1997). Humorous autobiography describing the author’s early love for writing and storytelling, and his fascination with scary movies and books. Includes writing tips for his young readers. 140 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 4.5 IL 5-8/670L

P07-UCHUT Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

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Leon’s Story by Leon Walter Tillage (Douglas & McIntyre Ltd., 1998). Autobiography of an African American born in North Carolina in 1936, relating the poverty, lack of opportunity, and everyday racial discrimination common during the 1940s and 50s, as well as African-American initiatives in the 1950s to improve this situation, and Tillage’s own involvement. 101 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 4.8 IL 5-7/970L


What’s the Big Idea, Ben Franklin? by Jean Fritz (Paperstar Books, Penguin Putnam, 1996). A casual, often humorous biography of the runaway printer’s apprentice who became a successful printer. His zest for learning and commitment to new ideas led him to
establish a hospital, university, library, and fire department. Electrical experiments made him world-famous; he helped write the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, and brought France into the American Revolution. 48 pages. Two Discussion Guides. **RL 4 IL 3-6/830L**

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*When I Was Puerto Rican* by Esmeralda Santiago (First Vintage Books Edition, 1994). Memoir of the author’s turbulent childhood in Puerto Rico and her move to New York as the eldest of many siblings. The family’s poverty and the insecurities resulting from her parents’ troubled relationship reveal both the strengths and weaknesses of her family and culture. Themes include women’s issues, cultural heritage, religion, and sexual awareness. **Teacher’s Note:** Sexual and emotional content of this novel may be more appropriate for older students. 270 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 7 IL 7+/1020L**

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**Discussion Guides for Short Stories, Poetry, and Mythology**


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*Baseball in April* by Gary Soto (Harcourt, 1990) includes eleven short stories about young Latino characters coming of age in Fresno, California. Many of the stories address characters’ relationships with others, especially parents and people of the opposite sex. Many also address characters’ searches for identity and their need for acceptance and confidence. 107 pages. Eleven Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 4-9/830L**

**P07-SOT3TE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

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**Beowulf, A New Telling** by Robert Nye (Bantam Doubleday Dell Edition, 1968). In this narrative version of the seventh-century epic poem, the peace-loving beekeeper Beowulf becomes king after he defeats the flesh-eating monster Grendel and his powerful, vengeful mother. 94 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 4.8 IL 3-7/790L**

**The Dark-Thirty: Southern Tales of the Supernatural**, (Knopf Paperbacks, 1992) by Patricia C. McKissack. Ten “scary stories” rooted in African-American tradition and linked to significant periods and themes: slavery, the reign of terror of the Ku Klux Klan, the tradition of the Pullman porters, the civil rights struggle, and late 20th century interest in African cultural heritage. Justice and the triumph of good over evil are major themes. **Teacher’s Note:** Supernatural beings and spirits appear in the stories. Read selections in advance to determine their suitability. Some contain racial epithets typical of their settings. Reading and interest levels vary from story to story. 166 pages, Ten Discussion Guides. **RL 4 IL 3-7/730L** (NEW FORMAT)

**A Dime a Dozen**, by Nikki Grimes (selections; Penguin Putnam: Dial Books for Young Readers, 1998). Eight whimsical, sometimes bittersweet poems about family, identity, and the experience of writing poetry. Discussion Guides are non-sequential; teachers may determine which poems they wish students to study. Eight Discussion Guides. **RL 4 IL 5-8**

**The Dream Keeper and Other Poems** by Langston Hughes (selections; Knopf, 1996). Eleven selected poems, including many familiar classics. Rhythm, rhyme, figurative language, voice, structure, theme, and tone are addressed. Discussion Guides are non-sequential; teachers may determine which poems they wish students to study. Eleven Discussion Guides. **RL 6.1 IL 6-9** (NEW FORMAT)

**ego-tripping and other poems for young people** by Nikki Giovanni (selections; Lawrence Hill and Co., 1993.) Six poems about ethnic pride, civil rights, family life, and literary experience. Discussion Guides are non-sequential; teachers may determine which poems they wish students to study. Six Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 7-9** (NEW FORMAT)
Fitting In by Anílú Bernado (Piñata Books, 1996). The main character in each of these five short stories is a Cuban American girl in southern Florida. Some of the conflicts are common to all teenagers, while others are specific to Cuban Americans in the United States. 200 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 6-9/670L

Flying With the Eagle, Racing the Great Bear: Stories from Native North America, by Joseph Bruchac (Troll Medallion, 2001). Sixteen Native American myths, legends, and folk tales as well as realistic and biographical fiction, most related to the tradition of initiation into manhood. Discussion Guides are non-sequential; teachers may determine which stories they wish students to study. 128 pages. Sixteen Discussion Guides. RL 4 IL 5-9/810L

The Goddess of the Volcano, by Graciela Reyes and Leda Schiavo (Rigby, 1997). Retelling of a traditional Hawaiian myth explaining the origin and role of the island nation’s Mauna Loa volcano. 24 pages. One Discussion Guide. RL 3 IL 3-6/730L

Grandma Jenny’s Trip, by Bently Spang (Rigby, 1997). An elderly Cheyenne woman shares with her grandchildren memories of a family trip when she was young. 20 pages. One Discussion Guide. RL 3 IL 2-6/630L

An Island Like You: Stories of the Barrio by Judith Ortiz Cofer (Puffin Books, 1996). These short stories about life in a New Jersey Puerto Rican neighborhood, told from the point of view of various teenaged characters, are self-contained, and teachers may determine which stories they wish students to study. Topics include coming-of-age, identity, relationships, compassion for seniors and those with disabilities, grief, cultural clashes, drug abuse, homosexuality, and AIDS. Teacher’s Note: Many of the stories in the collection contain profanity and address mature issues. 165 pages. Twelve brief Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 7-12/910L
**The Library Card** by Jerry Spinelli (Scholastic: Apple Signature Edition, 1997). Four short stories with a common theme, the power of the written word, particularly books, to help young people connect with themselves and others. The common thread is a mysterious, almost magical blue library card, which makes its way into each character’s life and triggers surprisingly far-reaching consequences. 148 pages. Four Discussion Guides. **RL 4 IL 5-9/690L (NEW FORMAT)**

**Nettie’s Trip South** by Ann Turner (Aladdin Paperbacks Edition, 1987). In this historical story set just before the Civil War, Nettie learns about slavery on her first trip South, which she recounts by letter to her friend Addie. Nettie’s ignorance and misconceptions give way to understanding and compassion. 27 pages. One Discussion Guide. **RL 3 IL 1-5/860L**

**Trip to Freedom,** by Andrea Quynhgia Nguyen (Rigby, 1997). The first-person account of a Vietnamese family’s escape from Vietnam and immigration to America. 20 pages. One Discussion Guide. **RL 3 IL 2-6/640L**

**Songs to the Corn: A Hopi Poet Writes About Corn,** by Ramson Lomatewama (Rigby, 1997). Five poems about corn, an essential element in traditional Hopi life and culture, and an explanation for each poem. 24 pages. Two Discussion Guides. **RL 3 IL 3-6**

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_The Odyssey_, retold by Robin Lister (Kingfisher Publications, 1994). Prose version of Homer’s classic Greek epic about Odysseus, king of Ithaca, who spends ten years struggling to return home after the Trojan War, his efforts constantly thwarted by human error and the curses of wrathful gods. At his arrival, he must rescue his kingdom and his family from parasitic usurpers. 96 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 6.5 IL 6-9**

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Part III.
Discussion Guides for Novels

*Baby* by Patricia MacLachlan (Bantam Doubleday Dell Books for Young Readers, 1995). Larkin’s parents are struggling to face the death of their infant son when they find a baby left on their doorstep with a note. The family grows to love Sophie and to fear her mother’s return, but when she finally leaves, her presence has been instrumental in their healing. 132 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 4.5 IL 5-8/670L**

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*The Big Wave* by Pearl Buck (Harper Trophy Edition, 1986). Kino, a Japanese mountain farm boy, and his best friend Jiya learn to respect the dangers in both sea and land when a nearby volcano creates a huge wave that destroys Jiya’s fishing village, his family, and his home while Jiya is safe at Kino’s house. Although death can come at anytime, Jiya chooses not to fear it and grows up to marry Kino’s sister and rebuild his family’s home. 57 pages. Two Discussion Guides. **RL 4 IL 4-7/790L**

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*Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson (Harper Trophy Edition, 1977). Though Jess’s new neighbor Leslie extinguishes his dream of being the fastest runner in the fifth grade, the two become fast friends. Leslie’s privileged life is very different from Jess’s hardscrabble existence, but together they create a magical kingdom where they rule as king and queen until tragedy strikes and Jess must go on alone, aware of how much Leslie has enriched his life. 128 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 6 IL 5-8/810L (NEW FORMAT)**

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*The Broken Blade* by William Durbin (Bantam Yearling, 1997) is the story of a thirteen-year-old French Canadian at the turn of the 19th century. When his father is disabled, Pierre signs on as a canoeist for the fur trade, facing physical danger, grueling work, and the eccentricities of fellow crewmen. Before the journey ends he and his crewmates must set up a cross made of a broken paddle in memory of a comrade who dies in the icy waters. Pierre returns home having become a man rather than an inexperienced boy. 163 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 5-8/900L**

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Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis (Delacorte Press, 1999). The poignant and hilarious tale of a Michigan orphan during the Depression who travels west in search of his father, whom he believes to be a popular band leader. Although paunchy, irritable Mr. Calloway stoutly denies this, Bud is drawn into the band, and later discovers that Mr. Calloway is actually his maternal grandfather. 243 pages, Four Discussion Guides. RL 5.2 IL 4-8/950L (NEW FORMAT)

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P07-CUR2HP Homeschool Pack $30 each
P07-CUR2UT Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

Bunnicula, by James Howe (Aladdin Paper-back Edition, 1996). A humorous story about a rabbit who comes to live with the Monroe family, told by their other pets, Chester the cat and Harold the dog. White vegetables, drained of juice, make Chester suspect Bunnicula of vampire tendencies and undertake a series of attempts to get rid of him, foiled by tenderhearted Harold. 98 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 3-7/700L

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P07-CUR2HP Homeschool Pack $30 each
P07-CUR2UT Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

Call It Courage by Armstrong Sperry (Aladdin Paperbacks Edition, 1990). Maafatu, son of the great chief of a Polynesian island, has feared the sea ever since a hurricane killed his mother and terrorized him as a young child. His father scorns him for his fears, which he faces and overcomes in a thrilling survival adventure. 95 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 8 IL 5-9/830L (NEW FORMAT)

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P07-SPE2HP Homeschool Pack $30 each
P07-SPE2UT Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

The Call of the Wild by Jack London (Puffin Books Edition, 1994). Stolen from his affluent, sheltered life in California and sold as a sled dog in the harsh Alaskan wilderness, Buck adapts to his new circumstances and gradually severs his connections to civilization, obeying the call of the wild and learning to conquer both animal and man. 134 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 7 IL 7-11/1120L (NEW FORMAT)

P07-LONTG Teacher’s Guide with reproducible assessment pages $25 each
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P07-LONUT Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

Can You Sue Your Parents for Malpractice? by Paula Danziger (Bantam Doubleday Dell Edition, 1980). Although fourteen-year-old Loren feels that neither of her two sisters is any help as she goes through tough times in her relationships with teachers, parents, and friends, she learns to turn away from oppressive relationships and embrace new, healthy ones. 141 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 8-12/550L

P07-DAN2TE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

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**The Cat Ate My Gymsuit** by Paula Danziger (Dell Yearling Edition, 1983). Thirteen-year-old Marcy begins eighth grade with an emotionally abusive father, a weight problem, the loss of a favorite teacher, and her first real crush. Marcy learns to stand up for herself and make healthy choices; she and her mother grow closer as her mother learns to stop living life in her husband’s shadow. 148 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 6** **IL 5-9/610L**

**Catherine, Called Birdy** by Karen Cushman (Harper Trophy, 1994). The journal of the teenaged daughter of a medieval knight. Birdy struggles against many of her society’s traditions, driving away suitors and rejecting her role as lady of the manor, until she learns to accept her circumstances and assume her responsibilities without losing her freedom to be herself. 212 pages. Four Discussion Guides. **RL 6** **IL 7+/1170L**

**The Cay** by Theodore Taylor (Avon Camelot Edition, 1970). In this World War II era adventure story Phillip Enright, an American boy living in the Caribbean, is shipwrecked by a German U-boat attack that leaves him blind and stranded on a small island with an elderly black sailor named Timothy. Despite Phillip’s initial disdain, Timothy’s patience and courage as he works to ensure their survival teach him the meaning of friendship. 144 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5** **IL 4-9/860L** (NEW FORMAT)

**Charley Skedaddle** by Patricia Beatty (Troll Communications, L.L.C., 1988). When a friend is killed on the battlefield, twelve-year-old Charley Quinn, a drummer in the Union Army, runs away, his naïve ideas of war shattered. He calls himself Charley “Skedaddle” in his shame and guilt but gradually learns the true meaning of courage and becomes a hero in the mountains while leading an “ordinary” life. **Teacher’s Note:** This novel contains some profanity. 186 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5** **IL 4-9/870L**

**Circle of Gold** by Candy Dawson Boyd (Apple Paperbacks Edition, 1984). As Mattie’s family struggles with the emotional and financial strain caused by her father’s death, Mattie is falsely accused of theft and must prove her innocence. She works hard to overcome the odds and earn money to buy a beautiful gold pin for her mother for Mother’s Day, hoping to make things right again. 124 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5** **IL 4-6/610L**

**The Cat Ate My Gymsuit** by Paula Danziger (Dell Yearling Edition, 1983). Thirteen-year-old Marcy begins eighth grade with an emotionally abusive father, a weight problem, the loss of a favorite teacher, and her first real crush. Marcy learns to stand up for herself and make healthy choices; she and her mother grow closer as her mother learns to stop living life in her husband’s shadow. 148 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 6** **IL 5-9/610L**
The Clay Marble by Minfong Ho (Farrar Strauss Giroux Sunburst Edition, 1998). Dara, a twelve-year-old Cambodian, and thirteen-year-old Jantu meet in a refugee camp on the Cambodia-Thailand border where their families have come for food and farming tools. The girls are separated from their families when Jantu’s baby brother is wounded; after a tragic accident, Dara must confront her brother Sarun to persuade him to choose the way of peace. A preface provides historical background. 163 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 7 IL 5-9/860L**

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Cousins by Virginia Hamilton (Apple Paperback, Scholastic Inc., 1990). Although Cammy has always disliked her cousin, beautiful, charming Patty Ann, she learns through tragedy that Patty Ann’s life was much harder than she realized. Drawing comfort from her other, less radiant cousin, Elodie, Cammy learns valuable lessons about life, love, and letting go. 125 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 4-9/550L**

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Cracker Jackson by Betsy Byars (Puffin Books Edition, 1986). When 11-year-old Jackson, also known as Cracker, realizes that his former babysitter’s husband abuses her, he is determined to help. As Alma, the babysitter, makes the painful decision to seek a better future for herself and her young daughter, Jackson senses that he has outgrown his childhood and become a man. 146 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 4 IL 5-8/710L**

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**P07-BYA3SC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

Crash by Jerry Spinelli (Knopf Paperback Edition, 1997). Crash, a selfish, mischievous bully, becomes more mature and sensitive through his interaction with Penn Webb, an old friend who is his complete antithesis, his grandfather Scooter, and Jane Forbes, whom he admires. Penn, who once was the object of Crash’s bullying, profits from his new generosity. 162 pages. Four Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 5-9/560L (NEW FOMRMAT)**

**P07-SP13TG** Teacher’s Guide with reproducible assessment pages $25 each

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**P07-SP13HP** Homeschool Pack $30 each

**P07-SP13UT** Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

Crazy Lady! by Jane Leslie Conly (First Harper Trophy Edition, 1995). Vernon Diggs is struggling to cope with his mother’s death and his own transition to sixth grade when he befriends Maxine, an eccentric alcoholic who lives with her mentally handicapped son Ronald. Maxine’s friend tutors Vernon, who offers to take Ronald to the Special Olympics, organizes a neighborhood fundraiser to buy him sneakers, and matures as he deals with the complex issues surrounding his new friends. **Teacher’s Note:** Both adult and child characters use profanity in Crazy Lady! 180 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 6 IL 5-10/570L**

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Curse of a Winter Moon by Mary Casanova (Hyperion Paperbacks, 2002). In 16th century France, twelve-year-old Marius longs to assist his blacksmith father. Instead, he cares for his younger brother Jean, protecting him from superstitious
villagers and abusive clergy who consider him a werewolf. When Marius’ father is arrested as a heretic and sentenced to be burned at the stake, Marius witnesses. With help from their uncle, a monk, Marius and Jean escape, grieving but determined to honor their father’s memory. 134 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 7 IL 6-9 (NEW FORMAT)

P07-CASTG Teacher’s Guide with reproducible assessment pages $25 each
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A Day No Pigs Would Die by Robert Peck (Random House, 1994). A rambling, poignant, often humorous novel set in rural Vermont recounts twelve-year-old Rob’s efforts to keep his pig Pinky, a barren sow received as a reward, during a long and lean winter. Rob’s pious but illiterate Shaker father regretfully slaughters Pinky, but when his father too later passes away, Rob realizes how rich his dad was in the things that matter. Teacher’s Note: This book contains some profanity and a graphic description of animals breeding. Please read before assigning it to determine its suitability for your students. 150 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 7 IL 6-9/690L (NEW FORMAT)

P07-PECTG Teacher’s Guide with reproducible assessment pages $25 each
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Dear Austin by Elvira Woodruff (Dell Yearling Books, 1998). Letters from Levi, a young Pennsylvania boy, to his older brother in 1853 recount his trip south with his friend Jupiter, who is trying to rescue his little sister Darcy from slave traders who have kidnapped her. The boys’ stubborn attempt backfires and they return home, leaving Darcy to her fate, but are overjoyed when she contacts them twenty years later. 137 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 4.5 IL 4-9/970L

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P07-WOO2UT Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary (Harper Trophy, 2000). Leigh Botts begins corresponding with children’s author Boyd Henshaw as a school assignment but gradually learns to enjoy writing about his experiences: his loneliness since his parents’ divorce and his struggle with a persistent lunch thief. Through his diary and letters, Leigh honed his skills, meanwhile discouraging the thief, coming to terms with his dad’s absence, and finding his place in a challenging world. 134 pages, Three Discussion Guides. RL 4.7 IL 4-8/910L

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P07-CLE2SC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

The Devil’s Arithmetic by Jane Yolen (Puffin Books, 1990). Hannah, a modern 12-year-old Jewish girl, is transported back in time as Chava, a Jewish village girl in Poland in 1942 who is taken to a concentration camp where survival becomes her only concern. When Hannah impulsively sacrifices her life to save her friend Rivka, she is returned to her grandparents’ apartment, filled with a new appreciation for her elders’ heritage. 170 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 5-9/730L

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P07-YOLSC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

The Divorce Express by Paula Danziger (Bantam Doubleday Dell Edition, 1988). Phoebe Brooks, the fourteen-year-old daughter of newly divorced
parents, has a difficult time adjusting to life in Woodstock, where she shares a house with her father. The novel follows her through a tough transitional year where she makes new friends, releases old ones, and begins her first significant romantic relationship. 140 pages. Five Discussion Guides. \textit{RL 4.5 IL 7-12/630L}

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\textit{The Door in the Wall} by Marguerite de Angeli (Yearling Newbery, 1990). Ten-year-old Robin’s legs become paralyzed soon after his noble parents, summoned by the king and queen, leave him with servants. When plague strikes the household, a kindly monk cares for Robin and teaches him to be independent. Brother Luke and a minstrel friend later take Robin to his guardian’s castle near the Welsh border. When the castle is attacked, Robin slips out in disguise to seek reinforcements, bringing his parents much pride and joy despite his physical limitations. 121 pages. Three Discussion Guides. \textit{RL 6.5 IL 5-9/990L}

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Esperanza Rising by Pam Muñoz Ryan (Scholastic, 2000). When Esperanza’s father, a Mexican landowner in the 1930’s, is killed and her ruthless step-uncles seize the family fortune, Esperanza and her mother begin a new life as farm workers in California. Esperanza learns to accept her loss of status and privilege and, when her mother falls ill, works hard to save money to send for her grandmother. She quarrels with her friend Miguel over his response to injustice, but shared experiences break down the barriers that once separated them. 262 pages; Six Discussion Guides. RL 5.3 IL 4-9/750L (NEW FORMAT)
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in both young people to look beyond outward appearances and discover others as they are beneath the surface. 212 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5.2 IL 5-9/720L

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The Giver by Lois Lowry (Bantam Doubleday Dell Edition, 1994). In a futuristic community where there are no imperfections, no pain, and no fear, there are also no choices; every member is assigned a role by the ruling Committee of Elders. When Jonas is appointed the community’s next Receiver of Memory, he begins to make painful choices for the first time in his life, finally risking his life to save his baby brother and change his community. 180 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 5-9/760L (NEW FORMAT)

The Glory Field by Walter Dean Myers (Scholastic, 1994). The saga of an African-American family, portraying members of different generations at critical moments. Lizzy, a slave girl, offers a drink to a captured runaway at the risk of her own life, then joins him in his escape. In 1900, Elijah courageously saves a wealthy white neighbor’s child, earning the reward to pay taxes on the farm, but leaves his home to escape the fury of white neighbors. Later, her dreams of college thwarted, his daughter Luvenia becomes an entrepreneur instead. High school athlete Tommy renounces a scholarship in order to support the civil rights movement. Finally, in 1994, fifteen-year-old Malcolm suffers shame and discomfort to rescue his crack-addicted cousin Shep. Teachers’ Note: Dialogue in the book is realistic, including occasional racial epithets typical of the time periods depicted. 375 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 7-12/800L

Going Home by Nicholasa Mohr (Bantam Skylark Book Edition, 1989). Felita and her family dream of the trip from her home in New York City to Puerto Rico, her parents’ birthplace, but Felita finds she is an outsider and must work very hard to gain the respect of her peers. She finally returns home with a new sense of self and a greater understanding of human nature. 192 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 4-7/680L

Goodbye, Chicken Little by Betsy Byars (Harper Trophy, 1979). When timid Jimmy’s mentally-challenged uncle Pete drowns trying to walk across a frozen river on a dare, Jimmy, who witnesses the event, is tormented by feelings of guilt, fear, and anger. His mother throws a family party to celebrate Pete’s life, but Jimmy is embarrassed by the arrival of his eccentric relatives. Soon, however, their stories make him smile. He discovers that despite its quirks, his family is a source of joy and comfort, and that he need not always remain a “Chicken Little.” 101 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 5-8/690L
The Great Gilly Hopkins by Katherine Paterson (Harper Collins: Harper Trophy Edition, 1987). Intelligent, ruthless eleven-year-old foster child Gilly has learned to survive by controlling adults, but she meets her match in simple, loving, shrewd Maime Trotter. When Gilly’s plans to run away backfire, she is forced to come to terms with the truth, about Mrs. Trotter and about her own family. 148 pages. Three Discussion Guides.  

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Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets by J.K. Rowling (Scholastic Inc., 1999). In this sequel to Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone, 12-year-old Harry learns that mortal danger awaits him on his return to Hogwarts School of Wizardry. Evil Lord Voldemort has unleashed a vicious monster from the Chamber of Secrets to bait Harry into a trap. 341 pages. Four Discussion Guides.  

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Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban by J.K. Rowling (Scholastic Inc., 1999). In this sequel to Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets, 13-year-old Harry learns that his mentors are worried that Sirius Black, a convicted murderer who has escaped from prison, intends to kill Harry to bring the evil Voldemort back to power. However, Harry and his friends eventually realize that appearances are deceiving. 435 pages. Four Discussion Guides.  

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Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone by J. K. Rowling (Scholastic Inc., 1999). Young Harry, the son of two good wizards killed by the evil Voldemort when Harry was an infant, lives with his vicious relatives the Dursleys, but enrolls at Hogwarts School of Wizardry. Voldemort wants to steal the Sorcerer’s Stone of immortality that is kept at Hogwarts, so Harry and his friends must secure it before he succeeds. 309 pages. Four Discussion Guides.  

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The Hobbit by J. R. R. Tolkien (Ballantine Books, 1982). In this fantasy adventure tale, the mighty wizard Gandalf and thirteen dwarves enlist hobbit Bilbo in a quest to recover a stolen treasure guarded in the dragon Smaug’s caves under the dwarves’ ancestral mountain. The party survives attacks by trolls, goblins, wolves, giant spiders, and elves, but then face the more formidable challenge of the dragon. 304 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 8 IL 7+ (NEW FORMAT)

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Hope Was Here by Joan Bauer (Puffin Books, 2000). Hope, a sixteen-year-old waitress, and her Aunt Addie leave their Brooklyn home for a diner in rural Wisconsin whose leukemia-stricken owner, G.T. Stoops, is running for mayor against the corrupt incumbent. As Hope and her friends become grassroots activists against the odds, she also faces the reality of her derelict mother, Deena, and her absent father. 186 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 6+/710L

I Am Regina by Sally M. Keehn (Random House, Yearling Books, 1993). The fictionalized account of Regina Leininger, a twelve-year-old kidnapped by Native Americans on the Pennsylvania frontier in 1755, who adapts to a new culture but struggles to retain her own identity, secretly teaching a fellow captive stories and hymns she learned from her mother. When white soldiers finally “rescue” the two girls many years later, their elderly surrogate mother is left to a tragic fate. Teacher’s Note: The book includes an attempted rape on 12-year-old Regina.

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**I, Juan de Pareja** by Elizabeth Borton Treviño (Sunburst Edition, 1993). In this fictionalized account, Juan, the African slave of seventeenth-century painter Diego Valazquez, falls in love with the art of painting. Since the law forbids slaves from painting, Juan must practice his art in secret—until discovery of the secret leads to a suspenseful resolution. 180 pages. Four Discussion Guides. **RL 7 IL 6-12/1100L**

**In the Night, on Lanvale Street**, by Jane Leslie Conly (Henry Holt and Company, 2005). Charlie’s summer task is watching her younger brother Jerry, but an eccentric man in a tan raincoat involves her in a neighborhood murder mystery. Charlie and her friend Shannon suspect the murder is related to drug activity touching the lives of young people they know. When the killers are arrested, Shannon’s home is firebombed in reprisal for her brother Junie’s role as a witness; the tragedy unites the community to take a stand against criminal activity. 250 pages. Five Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 6-9 (NEW FORMAT)**

**In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson** by Bette Bao Lord (Harper Trophy Edition, 1986). In this story based on the writer’s childhood experiences, Shirley Temple Wong follows her father to America, where the family settles in Brooklyn. Although Shirley knows no English, has difficulty making friends, and does not understand baseball, her hero is Jackie Robinson, the grandson of a slave, who proves that America is a land of opportunity for all. 169 pages. Five Discussion Guides. **RL 4 IL 3-6/730L**

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*Jacob Have I Loved* by Katherine Paterson (Harper Trophy Edition, 1990). Louise, who lives on a tiny, isolated island in the Chesapeake Bay, believes her talented, pretty sister Caroline has robbed her of everything: her name, her friends, and the affections of her fellow islanders. Louise slowly realizes that Caroline is not preventing her from creating a life for herself. 244 pages. Five Discussion Guides. **RL 7 IL 6-9/880L (NEW FORMAT)**

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*Jaguar* by Roland Smith (Hyperion Paperbacks, 1997). In this suspense-filled ecological adventure story, high school student Jake Lansa joins his field biologist father on an expedition to set up a jaguar preserve in South America. Father and son are drawn together when the expedition is mysteriously and ruthlessly attacked. 247 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5.8 IL 4-8/690L**

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*A Jar of Dreams* by Yoshiko Uchida (Aladdin Paperbacks Edition, 1993). Eleven-year-old Rinko’s Aunt Waka comes from Japan to visit her in California during the Depression. Quiet but strong Waka teaches Rinko to appreciate her Japanese heritage, and through Waka’s influence, Rinko’s family confronts prejudice head-on. 131 pages. Seven Discussion Guides. **RL 4 IL 4-8/970L**

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*Johnny Tremain* by Esther Forbes (Bantam Doubleday Dell Yearling Edition, 1987). Johnny Tremain, an arrogant, intelligent orphan apprenticed to a Boston silversmith, is left jobless and homeless when an accident cripples his hand. He gradually forges a new life and is drawn into the pivotal events of the American Revolution. 256 pages. Six Discussion Guides. **RL 6 IL 4-9/840L (NEW FORMAT)**

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*Journey to the New World: My Diary of 1848* by Susan Brocker (Shortland Publications, 1999). The fictional account of fourteen-year-old Hannah’s journey from Ireland to America along with 350 other steerage passengers. Harsh conditions on board and an outbreak of disease heighten tensions...
between steerage passengers, wealthier travelers, and callous crew members. Hannah’s courage and compassion and the kindness of a young deck hand help the travelers put aside their differences and arrive safely in port. 60 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 6.0 IL 6-8/900L

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*Julie of the Wolves* by Jean Craighead George (Harper Trophy Edition, 1974). When Julie runs away from an unhappy arranged marriage and struggles to survive in the tundra, a pack of wolves adopts her, but eventually she must reconcile her Eskimo culture with the demands of modern life. 170 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 4-8/700L

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*Jumping Off to Freedom* by Anílú Bernado (Piñata Books, 1996). Teenager David Leal and his father Miguel flee communist Cuba on a raft with two acquaintances, Luis and Toro. The men resolve their tensions as they work together for survival, facing various dangers before finally arriving safely in Florida. 200 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 5-7

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*Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World* by Mildred Pitts Walter (A Knopf Paperback, 1986). When his grandfather invites Justin, a frustrated ten-year-old who feels that he can’t do anything right, to spend a few days at his ranch, he patiently teaches him useful skills and introduces him to his African-American heritage. 122 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 2.7 IL 3-7/620L

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*Let the Circle Be Unbroken* by Mildred Taylor (Puffin Books, 1991). The trials and triumphs of an African-American family in Mississippi during the 1930s. Despite the harsh, grim realities of racial discrimination and social injustice, the steady support of family, friends, and community enable the characters in this novel to persevere, and to work and hope for change. 394 pages. Six Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 6-12/850L

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**P07-TAY4UT** Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

*The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis (Harper Trophy Edition, 1994). Four English children find their way into a magical place called

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Narnia that is under the spell of a dreadful Witch. When the mighty lion Aslan arrives to rescue Narnia, one of the children has joined the Witch and is in mortal danger for his betrayal. Aslan’s terrifying plan will fulfill the law while delivering the offender and the realm. 206 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 4-9/940L

**A Long Way from Chicago** by Richard Peck (Puffin Books, 1998). In this Depression-era account, narrator Joe Dowdel reminisces about childhood summers when he and his sister Mary Alice would be sent to spend a week in August with their Grandma Dowdel, who lived at the edge of a small Illinois town located somewhere along the railway line between Chicago and St. Louis. 148 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 3-7/750L

**Loser** by Jerry Spinelli (Harper Trophy, 2003). follows Donald Zinkoff from first grade through middle school. Zinkoff is different from other kids, loud and enthusiastic, but a poor student, athlete, and musician. His peers notice these differences in the fourth grade, when their eyes become “picky,” and they nickname Zinkoff “Loser.” By sixth grade, he has become invisible. When fun-loving, compassionate Zinkoff spends a snowy night searching for a missing toddler, even his peers give him the appreciation he deserves. 218 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 4.5 IL 3-7/650L

**Lyddie** by Katherine Paterson (Puffin Books Edition, 1992). During the Industrial Revolution in New England, a young girl assumes responsibility for her struggling family by becoming a worker in a textile mill. Lyddie grapples with the horrors of the textile industry and the emerging woman within herself, and finally must decide which is more important: saving a family beyond repair, or saving herself and making choices that will allow her to stand up for her principles. 182 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 7-12/860L

**M.C. Higgins, the Great**, by Virginia Hamilton (Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1974). M.C. Higgins lives on an Ohio mountain ravaged by coal mining, his home threatened by a huge slag heap. Desperate to escape, he pins his hope on his talent mother becoming a recording star and taking the family away. His encounters with a folk music collector and a young girl traveling on her own help him to take a different view of his life, and of the Kilburns, a clan of neighbors who are scorned and feared for their unusual appearance and lifestyle. As M.C. matures, he takes practical steps to protect his home from the impending danger. 278 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 4.9 IL 6-9/620L (NEW FORMAT)

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Maizon at Blue Hill by Jacqueline Woodson (Yearling Book Edition, 1992). Maizon Singh, a bright girl from Brooklyn, feels out of place at Blue Hill, a posh, mostly white boarding school. Older black students at the school keep to themselves, and Maizon learns that racial issues are not simple. She returns home after one semester, determined to find a place where she can truly feel that she “belongs.” 149 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 4.6 IL 5-9/700L

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Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli (Trophy Newberry Edition, 1990). A poignant, wildly funny story in many ways reminiscent of a tall tale. When Maniac, an orphan, sets out to find a home, his journey takes him to Two Mills, a racially divided town, where he makes friends and helps others overcome social barriers and racial prejudice. 144 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 3-8/820L (NEW FORMAT; bully-prevention version also available in standard format—see page 53.)
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Me, Mop, and the Moondance Kid by Walter Dean Myers (Dell Yearling, 1991). Newly adopted eleven-year-old T.J. and his younger brother Moondance’s good friend Mop (Miss Olivia Parrish) joins their struggling Little League team hoping that its coaches will adopt her. T.J.’s baseball skills don’t measure up to his self-image or his adoptive dad’s expectations; even Moondance consistently outshines him. Can a dynamic young nun and an elderly homeless man turn the Elks into a great team? Will T.J. pull his weight? Will Mop find an adoptive home? 154 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 4.5 IL 4-7/640L

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The Midwife’s Apprentice by Karen Cushman (First Harper Trophy Edition, 1996). In this story set in medieval times, Jane Sharp, the village midwife, hires a hungry, homeless, nameless thirteen-year-old who gradually gains confidence and gives herself a name, “Alyce.” When failure in a delivery shatters her confidence, she runs away, but learns through experience to take risks and finally returns to her job. 122 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 7+/1240L (NEW FORMAT)
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The Missing ’Gator of Gumbo Limbo by Jean Craighead George (Harper Trophy Edition, 1993). In this ecological mystery, Liza and her mother live in Gumbo Limbo Hammock, an isolated area of the Florida Everglades, after fleeing Liza’s abusive father. Liza and the other residents of the Hammock must solve the mystery of who is polluting their fragile environment and rescue Dajun, the resident giant alligator, from a bounty hunter. 148 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 3-7/740L

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Morning Girl by Michael Dorris (Hyperion Paperback Edition, 1999). Two young Taino inhabitants of a Bahamian Island in 1492, Morning Girl and her younger brother Star Boy, tell about their life on the island in alternating chapters. The strong family and community relationships depicted provide a tragically ironic contrast to Christopher Columbus’
description of the island people as “very poor in everything,” found in the story’s epilogue. 74 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 5-9/980L

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My Brother Sam is Dead by James Lincoln Collier and Christopher Collier (Scholastic Point Edition, 1974). In this historical novel of the American Revolution, Tim’s brother Sam defies his father and runs away to join the Continental Army. As the war moves closer, Tim is torn between two loyalties, and he and his family’s lives are changed forever. 216 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 5.8 IL 6-9/770L

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My Name is María Isabel by Alma Flor Ada (Simon and Schuster: Aladdin Paperbacks, 1995). When third-grader María Isabel’s teacher decides to call her “Mary,” María feels lost and left out until an essay assignment finally allows her to express her frustration. 57 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 3 IL 2-5/860L

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Necessary Roughness by Marie G. Lee (Harper Trophy, 1996). Chan Kim, a sixteen-year old Korean-American, moves with his family to a small town in Minnesota where he must cope with racism and his tense relationship with his father. When Chan becomes the kicker on the football team, his position helps him face both his father’s disapproval and the mockery of his peers. 228 Pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 7+/750L

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Night of the Twisters by Ivy Ruckman (Harper Trophy Edition, 1986). Fiction based on the true story of a tornado that struck Nebraska in 1980. Twelve-year-old Dan, his friend Arthur, and his baby brother survive the tornado, but Dan’s house, like many others, is devastated. The boys, along with Arthur’s sister Stacey, find and assist family members and other victims, learning that life and loved ones are infinitely more valuable than possessions. 153 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 4 IL 3-6/790L

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Nightjohn by Gary Paulsen (Bantam Doubleday Dell Books for Young Readers, 1995). Nightjohn, a former slave sold back into slavery, teaches twelve-year-old Sarny to read and write although he faces hunger, exhaustion, and mistreatment daily. Despite the harsh punishment for learning to read or write (typically loss of a limb), the slaves remain determined to find freedom through learning. Teacher’s Note: Nightjohn contains obscene language and physical and sexual violence. It is essential that teachers read the novel before deciding whether or not it is appropriate for their students. 92 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 4.6 IL 7-12/770L

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**Ninjas, Piranhas, and Galileo** by Greg Leitich Smith (Little, Brown, and Company, 2003) When Elias tries to win a science fair by replicating a previous experiment, his results point to a different conclusion and his work is unfairly graded. Elias’ attempt to demonstrate his findings’ validity leads to a charge of vandalism, and, like Galileo in the 1600s, he stands trial to defend scientific results that contradict long-held beliefs. A special “Science Corner” section in the Discussion Guide expands on science-related content in the novel. 179 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5.8 IL 3-7/750L (NEW FORMAT)

**No Promises in the Wind** by Irene Hunt (Berkley/ Pacer Edition, 1986). In this Depression-era story, after fifteen-year-old Josh runs away from home and his bitter, unemployed father, he and his little brother Joey try to find work as musicians, discovering the best and worst in human nature. As Josh tries to father Joey and realizes his failings, he learns to forgive his own father. 223 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 7 IL 7-10/930L

**On My Honor** by Marion Dane Bauer (Yearling Newbery, 1986). Joel challenges his mocking, reckless friend Tony to a race in a dangerous river, defying his father’s orders. Tony drowns, and Joel panics, deciding to keep the incident a secret. When policemen find Tony’s clothes and bike by the river, Joel finally tells the truth. His father helps him face his painful loss by sharing his guilt and responsibility and telling him that sometimes a person has to carry difficult things for a very long time. 90 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 5.3 IL 7-10/750L

**Number the Stars** by Lois Lowry (Dell Yearling Books Edition, 1989). During World War II, ten-year-old Annemarie Johansen and her Danish family become frightened for their Jewish friends, the Rosens. To save the Rosens, they must risk their lives, and Annemarie must face the terrifying Nazis—and her own fears—on a dangerous mission. 137 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5.2 IL 4-9/670L (NEW FORMAT)

**Nothing But the Truth** by Avi (Apple Paperback, Scholastic Inc., 1990). In this humorous satire about truth and lies, popular Philip Malloy is suspended when he begins humming along with the National Anthem to annoy his teacher, hoping to be transferred out of her class. His parents think he was suspended for his patriotism, and the story becomes a national news item; one lie leads to another as school officials and politicians bend the truth for their own purposes. 212 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 6-12 (NEW FORMAT)

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One-Eyed Cat by Paula Fox (Dell Yearling, 1985). Ned, a minister’s son, is determined to shoot the gun he received for his birthday just once before obediently putting it away. He is afraid to confess his fault to his parents, but when a cat with just one eye begins to visit Mr. Scully, an elderly neighbor for whom Ned works, Ned feels sure he injured it. His invalid mother tries in vain to persuade him to share his trouble. Only after Mr. Scully is hospitalized with a stroke does Ned find the courage to admit his wrongdoing, and the family finds healing as trust is restored. 216 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 5.7 IL 5-9/1000L

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Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse (Apple Signature Edition, 1999). In this novel in free verse set in the Oklahoma Dust Bowl, fourteen-year-old ragtime pianist Billie Jo eagerly awaits her mother’s new baby. When a tragic accident takes the life of mother and child, it leaves Billie Jo with neither mother nor music, her hands and heart deeply scarred. Only with time do she and her taciturn, grieving father learn to trust and care for one another again. 227 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5.4 IL 8+

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The Outsiders by S. E. Hinton (Bantam Doubleday Dell Edition, 1989). Through the heroism and consequent death of his best friend, Ponyboy Curtis decides to renounce his budding life as a street hoodlum and reconcile with his brothers. 156 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 4.6 IL 8-12/750L (NEW FORMAT)

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Pacific Crossing by Gary Soto (Silver Burdett Ginn, 1992). When Lincoln Mendoza, a Mexican-American fourteen-year-old from San Francisco, goes on a cultural exchange visit to Japan, he and his Japanese family quickly learn how inadequate their stereotyped assumptions about one another’s cultures really are. Experiences, some humorous and others stressful, test Lincoln’s resourcefulness, and he returns home with warm thoughts of his families on both sides of the Pacific. 126 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 3-7/750L

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The Pinballs by Betsy Byars (Harper Trophy Edition, 1987). When Carlie, Harvey, and Thomas J. are placed in the same foster home, Carlie believes they are like pinballs, having no control over their lives or the lives of others. However, her concern for Harvey, ill and severely depressed, motivates her to work for change, and the children’s growing relationships with one another and with their foster parents teach them to adapt to their challenging situation. 136 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 4 IL 4-8/600L (NEW FORMAT)

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Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

Pleasing the Ghost by Sharon Creech (Harper Trophy, 1997). Nine-year-old Dennis’ ghostly visitors include his Uncle Arvie, who had a stroke before he died and uses unusual words to refer to common objects and people. As Dennis works to decode Uncle Arvie’s requests, he realizes how much he misses his dad and learns what it means to hold close the memory of those one loves. 89 pages. Three Discussion Guides.  RL 4  IL 2-5/520L

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P07-CRE2UT  Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

Report to the Principal’s Office by Jerry Spinelli (Apple Paperbacks Edition, 1991). Sunny, who misses her old best friend, and Eddie, who is afraid of the move to middle school, are appointed to a mascot committee with several other students. Through a series of funny mishaps, friendships are formed that enable the students to adjust to their new school. 134 pages. Three Discussion Guides.  RL 4 IL 2-5/520L

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The River by Gary Paulsen (Dell Yearling, 1991). In this sequel to Hatchet, psychologist Derek studies teenaged survivor Brian Robeson’s brain as he returns to the wilderness, renouncing backup equipment to make the experience genuine. Lightning strikes, burning out the radio and leaving Derek in a coma. Brian builds a raft for a dangerous downriver journey, finally arriving with Derek at a trading post where he recovers from his injuries. 132 pages. Four Discussion Guides.  RL 5.9  IL 5-9/960L

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P07-TAY3UT  Set of 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests with Teacher Instructions and Answer Key $50

Sarah Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan (Harper Trophy Edition, 1987). Caleb and Anna’s father stopped singing when their mother died. When Sarah Wheaton of Maine answers his advertisement for a wife, the children worry that she will not like them, will find their house too small, or will miss the sea too much. Sarah gently calms their fears, and they finally relax in the expectation of a summer wedding. 58 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 3.5 IL 3-6/560L

Sarah Plain and Tall is a story about a family’s transition to a new life. Sarah Wheaton, a Maine girl, answers an advertisement for a wife in the hopes of giving a new life to her two children, Caleb and Anna. When she arrives, they are not sure if she will like them, will find the house too small, or will miss the sea too much. Sarah gently calms their fears, and they finally relax in the expectation of a summer wedding. The story is set in the 19th century and explores themes of family, love, and adaptation.

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Sees Behind Trees by Michael Dorris (Hyperion Paperbacks, 1999). In pre-colonial America, nearsighted Sees Behind Trees uses his carefully honed sense of hearing to help Gray Fire, a gentle village elder, find a mysterious “land of water” he discovered years earlier. Gray Fire rushes into the waterfall and disappears, leaving Sees Behind Trees to find his way home, where he learns the dark secret of Gray Fire’s life and draws comfort from an infant he rescues in the forest. 104 pages; Two Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 5-8/840L

Sees Behind Trees is a story about a boy named Sees Behind Trees who uses his finely honed hearing ability to help Gray Fire, an elderly village elder, find a mysterious “land of water” that Gray Fire discovered years earlier. Gray Fire later vanishes in a waterfall, leaving Sees Behind Trees to find his way home. The story is set in pre-colonial America and explores themes of sacrifice, friendship, and the child’s sense of identity.

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P07-DOR2SC  Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $60

Shabanu: Daughter of the Wind by Suzanne Fisher Staples (First Knopf Paperback Edition, 1997). Eleven-year-old Shabanu and her sister Phulan’s parents, nomads in modern Pakistan, have arranged marriages for the two girls. When Phulan’s intended husband is killed, she marries Shabanu’s fiancée instead. Shabanu, betrothed to an older, wealthy man with three wives, is at first angry and defiant, but finally accepts her fate. 240 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 6.5 IL 7-12/970L

Shabanu: Daughter of the Wind is a story about a young girl named Shabanu who is betrothed to a wealthy man with three wives. When her intended husband is killed, Shabanu marries the fiancée of another girl, Phulan. The story explores themes of love, cultural traditions, and the pressures of marriage in contemporary Pakistan.

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Shakespeare’s Spy, by Gary Blackwood (Dutton Children’s Books, 2003). Widge, a young orphan in 16th century England, learned a special shorthand from his former master. The owner of a struggling theater company buys him and sends him to London to steal Shakespeare’s play Hamlet using his unusual skill. Widge joins Shakespeare’s company as an apprentice, hoping for a chance to steal the play. His pleasure in performing, the camaraderie of the troupe, and a new sense of loyalty help him take the risk of revealing his true identity. 216 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 7.0 IL 7-9/840L

Shakespeare’s Spy is a story about a young orphan named Widge who uses his special skill to help steal Shakespeare’s play Hamlet. The story takes place in 16th century England and explores themes of loyalty, friendship, and the ups and downs of life.

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Shakespeare’s Spy is a story about a young orphan named Widge who uses his special skill to help steal Shakespeare’s play Hamlet. The story takes place in 16th century England and explores themes of loyalty, friendship, and the ups and downs of life.

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The Shakespeare Stealer is a story about a young orphan named Widge who uses his special skill to help steal Shakespeare’s play Hamlet. The story takes place in 16th century England and explores themes of loyalty, friendship, and the ups and downs of life.

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Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor (Bantam Doubleday Edition, 1991). When Shiloh, an abused hunting dog, runs away from its owner, eleven-year-old Marty hides it and lies to his parents to protect his secret. When the owner, Judd Travers, demands the dog’s return, Marty offers to work off the cost of the dog. Travers comes to respect Marty’s bold determination, while Marty learns of Travers’ own abusive childhood and gains a better understanding of him. 144 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5** **IL 3-7/890L**

Sing of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare (Yearling Newbery Edition, 1984). When twelve-year-old Matt’s father leaves him in charge of their isolated farm soon after the French and Indian War, Matt meets a Penobscot chief, Saknis, and his grandson Attean. Matt teaches Attean to read, despite the other boy’s scorn for the white man, but Matt fears they cannot be real friends until he earns Attean’s respect. 135 pages. Two Discussion Guides. **RL 5.7** **IL 5-9/770L**

Sing Down the Moon by Scott O’Dell (Bantam Doubleday Dell: Yearling Books, 1992). Bright Morning, a fourteen-year-old Navaho girl in the 1860s, escapes from Mexican slave traders only to see white soldiers destroy her home and set the Navahos on a forced march of several hundred miles. Bright Morning marries Tall Boy, her dispirited childhood sweetheart, and stubbornly insists on returning home to carve out a new life as a family. 137 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5.3** **IL 5-10/820L** (NEW FORMAT)

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Slake’s Limbo by Felice Holman (Aladdin Paperbacks, 1986). Undersized, nearsighted Slake believes he is a “worthless lump” when he flees his miserable life to take refuge in New York City’s subways. He resells used newspapers, collects litter, and sweeps a lunch counter floor in exchange for food. When imminent tunnel repairs threaten his new lifestyle, Slake becomes very ill, but realizes in the hospital that he has gained enough confidence to survive above ground. 117 pages. Two Discussion Guides. **RL 6** **IL 6-10/960L**

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*The Slave Dancer* by Paula Fox (Bantam Double-day Dell Yearling Edition, 1997). In 1840, young Jesse is kidnapped to work aboard a slave trading ship. When a tropical storm hits the ship, only Jesse and a slave boy he has befriended survive. They reach the Mississippi coast and Jesse returns home as his friend Ras travels north to freedom with several black men. 127 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5.9 IL 5-9/970L**

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*Sounder*, by William Armstrong (Harper Trophy, 1969). A young African-American boy in the late 19th century South faces hardship after his sharecropping father is arrested, convicted, and sent far away for stealing food for the family. Sounder, the family hunting dog, is his companion, though Sounder too has been shot and injured. An elderly black teacher’s friendship gives him his only hope for the future. The father returns home after six years, maimed in body and spirit, and both he and the dog soon die. Still, the boy and his family are thankful for their release from suffering. 116 pages. Four Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 6-8/900L**

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*Space Station Seventh Grade* by Jerry Spinelli (Little, Brown and Company, 1982). When twelve-year-old Jason begins seventh grade at the junior high, his fear of ninth-graders, infatuation with a cheerleader, changing mind and not-yet-changing body all complicate his previously carefree life. The space station he builds becomes an analogy to the new world of passage to adulthood in this funny, but thoughtful, story. 232 pages Five Discussion Guides. **RL 5.3 IL 7-12/600L**

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*Summer of the Swans* by Betsy Byars (Puffin Books, 1996). Fourteen-year-old Sara’s frustration with life in her small West Virginia town suddenly seems insignificant when her mentally challenged little brother Charlie disappears. By the time Sara finds Charlie with the help of two of her friends, she has made some valuable discoveries about herself and those around her. 129 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 4-7/830L**

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*Taking Sides* by Gary Soto (Harcourt Brace & Co., 1991). Lincoln Mendoza, a Mexican-American eighth grader who has recently moved to an affluent, predominantly white, suburb, plays basketball for his new school despite his growing sense of not belonging and his coach’s hostility. A game against his old school brings out his inner conflict and his tensions with his old buddy Tony and smart, pretty Monica. 135 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 4-7/750L**

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*The Talking Earth* by Jean Craighead George (First Harper Trophy Edition, 1987). When tribal leaders learn Billie Wind, a Seminole girl, has abandoned many of their traditions, they send her on an overnight
trip into the Everglades which becomes a twelve-week-long trek. Billie marvels at the varied life forms and befriends several animals, determined to wait until she “hears their voice” in accordance with Seminole beliefs. 151 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 6-10/770L

Tangerine by Edward Bloor (Scholastic, 1997). When Paul Fisher’s family moves to a gated community in Tangerine County, Florida, Paul, eager to learn the truth about his childhood and to overcome his paralyzing fear of his older brother Erik, attends a nearby blue-collar school in order to play soccer. Erik’s duplicity and violence come to light as class, ethnic, and environmental issues are explored, and serious questions are raised about lifestyle choices, values, and the meaning of integrity. 294 pages. Six Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 6+/680L

That Was Then, This is Now by S. E. Hinton (Bantam Doubleday Dell Edition, 1989). Mark and Byron are as close as brothers. Charming, deceptive Mark will come to an unfortunate end; Byron, a less-than-perfect adolescent, evolves and makes crucial decisions about saying good-bye to the streets and the most pivotal relationship of his life. 145 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5.1 IL 6-10/780L

Thief of Hearts by Laurence Yep (First Harper Trophy Edition, 1997). Stacy, whose mother is Chinese-American, is asked to befriend Hong Ch’un, a recent Chinese immigrant. The girls dislike each other from the start, but when Hong Ch’un runs away, unfairly accused of theft, Stacy, her mother, and her great-grandmother search for her in Chinatown. Stacy learns more about herself and her Chinese heritage, and when Hong Ch’un is found, the girls decide to work together to catch the real thief. 197 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 5 IL 5-8/700L

Tituba of Salem Village by Ann Petry (Harper Trophy Edition, 1991). A fictional account of the witch trials held in Salem Village in 1692. When cruel, arrogant Reverend Parris’ daughter Betsey begins to have seizures, his slave Tituba and others are arrested and put on trial for witchcraft. Despite sketchy evidence, many are found guilty and
hanged; Tituba is imprisoned for over a year until a kind benefactor pays for her to be freed. 254 pages. Four Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 5-10/840L**

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*Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson (Puffin Classics, 1994). Young Jim Hawkins is drawn into a search for buried treasure on a distant island when he finds a map among the belongings of an old seafaring tenant of his parents’ inn. However, Jim discovers en route that most of the ship’s crew are themselves pirates who plan to mutiny, kill the organizers, and steal the treasure. A hair-raising, life-threatening adventure ensues involving a marooned seaman, the abandoned ship, and the devious, deceptively genial Long John Silver. 298 pages. Five Discussion Guides. **RL 5/ IL 5-8/ L 670 (NEW FORMAT)**

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*Trino’s Choice* by Diane Gonzales Bertrand (Piñata Books, 1999). Running from a robbery scene, thirteen-year-old Trino hides in a bookstore, where he meets teenagers who are very different from his friends. Unable to keep up with his old friends and the new ones, hungry and desperate to help his family, Trino agrees to another robbery, but arrives late and witnesses his friend Zipper’s death. Trino’s new friends help him go on, and he gets a job so he can help his family. 124 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 6 IL 6-9/780L**

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P07-POTSNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $150

P07-POTSC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $65

*Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury (Ballantine Books, 1991). A science fiction novel about a high tech society where books are banned in favor of room-sized televisions, and firemen start fires rather than stop them. Fireman Montag begins to search for answers in long-forbidden volumes, resisting arrest and killing the fire chief when the crew arrives to burn his books. After a desperate police chase, he escapes to the country, where a group of like-minded renegades carefully commit entire books to memory. 179 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 7 IL 9+/890L**

P07-BRATE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

P07-BRASNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $90

P07-BRASC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

*Farewell to Manzanar* by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston (Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1998) chronicles the author’s internment with her family during World War II in a camp for Japanese Americans, who were suspected of treason and other war crimes following Pearl Harbor. The author takes a critical look at the pain and shame her family suffers. Five Discussion Guides. **RL 9 IL 7-10/1040L**

P07-HOUTE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

P07-HOUSNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $135

P07-HOUSC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $60

*I Am the Cheese* by Robert Cormier (Random House: Dell Laurel Leaf, 1991). In this challenging novel, teenage Adam’s first person account of riding a bicycle from Massachusetts to Vermont alternates with interview transcripts apparently aimed at helping a subject recover lost memories of a mysterious and terrifying family secret. Readers eventually discover that Adam’s parents were involved in a witness prevention program prior to their assassination and Adam’s
confinement in a mental facility. 214 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 7 IL 8-12/810L  
P07-COR2TE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
P07-COR2SNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110
P07-COR2SC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50

The Killer Angels by Michael Shaara (Ballantine Books, 1996). Pulitzer-prize winning historical fiction about the momentous battle of Gettysburg, where over 43,000 men were killed or wounded in three days. Told from the points of view of Robert E. Lee, Chamberlain, Longstreet, and other important historical figures. 355 pages. Seven Discussion Guides. RL 10+ IL 7/610L  
P07-SHA3TE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
P07-SHA3SNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $150
P07-SHA3SC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $65

The Pearl, by John Steinbeck (Penguin Books, 1992). When Kino, a poor Mexican fisherman, finds an enormous pearl, the Pearl of the World, he dreams of what it could buy – a church wedding, a harpoon, a rifle, schooling for his son – but others learn of Kino’s good fortune, and he becomes defensive and suspicious. His wife Juana tries to return the pearl to the sea, but Kino grimly refuses. After he kills a would-be thief, the family must flee over the mountains, with tragic consequences. 90 pages. Two Discussion Guides. RL 6 IL 7-12/1010L  
P07-STE3TE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
P07-STE3SNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $65
P07-STE3SC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $40

The Pigman by Paul Zindel (Bantam Books, 1978). A phone prank puts John and Lorraine in contact with a sad old man named Mr. Pignati, whom they nickname “the Pigman.” A friendship gradually develops, and when Mr. Pignati is hospitalized, John and Lorraine hold a party in his house that has unforeseen and heartbreaking consequences 158 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 7 IL 9-12/950L  
P07-ZIN2TE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
P07-ZIN2SNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $90
P07-ZIN2SC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens (Bantam Classic Edition, 1981). This intense, classic tale set during the French Revolution focuses on the complicated relationships linking the Manettes, a middle-class French family living as refugees in Britain, their friend Sydney Carton, and the Defarges, working-class revolutionaries actively involved in the Reign of Terror. 352 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 10 IL 10+/1130L  
P07-DICTE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
P07-DICSC Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $60

Think Big: Unleashing Your Potential for Excellence by Ben Carson (Harper Paperbacks, 1993). Dr. Ben Carson, the world-renowned neurosurgeon, explains his principles for success, using the acrostic “Think Big”: Talent, Honesty, Insight, Nice, Knowledge, Books, In-depth knowledge, and God. Drawing on his own experience, Dr. Carson stresses the importance of doing one’s best and making the world a better place for others, measuring success by service and the development of one’s potential. 278 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 9+ IL 9+  
P07-CAR2TE Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
P07-CAR2SNC 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $90

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**Part V.**

**Titles for High School Classes**

**Note to Teachers:** The titles listed in this section vary widely in their reading level. However, the Talent Development Middle Grades Program considers them appropriate for use in high school classes because of their content. Some of these works contain sexually explicit material or graphic portrayals of violence not appropriate for study in middle grades classrooms. Others deal with complex adult issues that, while not offensive to middle grades students, can be much more profitably addressed by students with greater personal and intellectual maturity. As always, teachers are urged to read the works ahead of time in order to evaluate their appropriateness before selecting them for use in the classroom.


**P07-WERTE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

**P07-WERSNC** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110

**P07-WERSC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50

*Blue Skin of the Sea* by Graham Salisbury (Dell Yearling Book, 1997). Eleven first-person stories of Sonny Mendoza’s coming of age in 1950s and 60s Hawaii, spanning his life from age 6 to 19. Sonny has lived with his aunt and uncle since his mother’s death, but rejoins his fisherman father at age six. Sonny’s ongoing struggle to master his deep, desperate fear of the ocean forms a thread tying the stories together. Sonny also learns to deal with bullies, respond to peer pressure, make sense of the adult world, and forge a bond with his kind but often distant father. **Warning:** Parts of this novel contain profanity and obscenities. Questionable activities are related without critical comment or evaluation. 215 pages. Four Discussion Guides. **RL 6 IL 9+/810L**

**P07-SALTE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

**P07-SALSNC** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110

**P07-SALSC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50

*The Chocolate War* by Robert Cormier (Harper Trophy Books, 1989). Jerry Renault and his friend Goober, freshmen at an elite private boys’ school, are assigned elaborate, potentially serious pranks by the Vigils, a powerful secret society. Jerry’s ten-day non-compliance with the

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**P07-CAR2SC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee (Warner Books, 1982). A mysterious neighbor who is rumored to be a psychotic killer fascinates Scout Finch and her brother Jem, children of a respected Southern small-town lawyer in the 1930’s. As the children pursue a cautious relationship with the recluse, their father becomes involved in defending an African American wrongly accused of rape. When a real neighbor comes to their rescue. 281 pages. Five Discussion Guides. **RL 10 IL 9+/870L (NEW FORMAT)**

**P07-LEE2TG** Teacher’s Guide with reproducible assessment pages $25 each

**P07-LEE2SG** Packet of 10 Student’s Guides $55

**P07-LEE2AP** Packet of 10 Assessment Packs (includes Selection Review sheets, Literature and Vocabulary Tests) $30

**P07-LEE2HP** Homeschool Pack $30 each

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**P07-WERTE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

**P07-WERSNC** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110

**P07-WERSC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50

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school’s annual chocolate fund-raiser is tolerated only because it is a Vigils prank. When he later refuses the chocolates as a personal choice, school authorities and cynical, manipulative Vigils leader Archie use increasingly vicious forms of coercion to force his submission. Goober struggles to support Jerry against the evil forces of crowd violence and peer pressure. 263 pages. Four Discussion Guides. **RL 6.7 IL 9-12/820L**

**P07-CORTE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

**P07-CORSNC** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110

**P07-CORSC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50

*Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keyes (Bantam Books, 1975). The first person account of Charlie Gordon, a mentally retarded man who undergoes an experimental procedure to enhance his intelligence. Reports reflect this intellectual progress and accompanying inner conflicts as Charlie outstrips the researchers and becomes aware of complex psychological and sexual tensions. These are soon overshadowed by the frightening realization that his intellectual gains are to be short-lived. The experiment’s tragic failure raises ethical issues relevant today. **Warning:** This book contains sexually explicit content as well as profanity and obscenities. **Please read it before assigning it.** 216 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 7 IL 9-12/910L**

**P07-KEYTE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

**P07-KEYSNC** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110

**P07-KEYSC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50

*Forged by Fire* by Sharon Draper (Aladdin Paperbacks, 1998). When nine-year-old Gerald’s loving, stable Aunt Queen dies of a heart attack, he goes back to live with his abusive, neglectful mother and stepfather. Gerald and his half-sister Angel become allies against their parents’ mistreatment and manage to have Jordan, the stepfather, arrested. Through hard work and perseverance, they manage to make a life for themselves as hopeful young adults. **Warning:** This book graphically portrays physical and sexual child abuse, drug and alcohol addiction, and death. 156 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 5 IL 9-12/780L**

**P07-DRA2TE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

**P07-DRA2SNC** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $90

**P07-DRA2SC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

*The Friends*, by Rosa Guy (Bantam Doubleday Dell, 1996). Fourteen-year-old Phyllisia, a West Indian girl in Harlem in the 1960s, is frightened by her classmates’ hostility, estranged from her harsh father Calvin, and alarmed by her gentle mother’s world of secret pain. Her only friend, Edith, has her own enormous challenges, and Phyllisia pushes her away. Faced with her mother’s imminent death, Phyllisia later turns to Edith, whom Calvin rudely rebuffs. Soon Phyllisia and her sister are left alone with their father. The deaths of two of Edith’s siblings show Phyllisia her selfishness. Learning that Calvin plans to send her back to the West Indies, she summons her courage to plead for a chance to remain available to her friend. 185 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 7 IL 8-12/730L**

**P07-GUYTE** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15

**P07-GUYSNC** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $90

**P07-GUYSC** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

*The House on Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros (First Vintage Contemporaries Edition, 1991). A series of short vignettes of life on Mango Street, a poor Hispanic neighborhood in Chicago, told from the point of view of Esperanza, a discontented young girl on the brink of womanhood who gradually matures in her understanding and her motivations. **Warning:** This book portrays sexual assault, suicide, prostitution, and numerous cases of physical abuse. 110 pages. Three Discussion Guides. **RL 7 IL 9+/870L**
In My Place by Charlayne Hunter-Gault (Random House Vintage Books, 1993). This memoir of the first African-American woman to attend the University of Georgia, including her childhood and life as a college student, focuses on the strength she received from her upbringing and culture to face the challenges of her role in the civil rights movement. Sources of her courage include confidence instilled by her family, faith in God cultivated by her church, and dedicated nurturing of the African-American educational community. 257 pages. Four Discussion Guides. RL 11 IL 9+/1220L

Julius Caesar by William Shakespeare (Arden Shakespeare, 1995; may be used with any edition of the play annotated for use at a high school level). A dramatic account of Caesar’s assassination and its consequences in the lives of his friends and enemies. Roman leaders conspire to kill Caesar because they fear the loss of their freedom if he becomes king. Afterward, Caesar’s ally Marc Antony uses shrewd oratory skills to turn Roman citizens against the conspirators and incite a civil war. 130 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 10 IL 9+/1330L

Macbeth by William Shakespeare (Folger Shakespeare, 1992; may be used with any edition of the play annotated for use at a high school level). The fictional medieval tragedy of Macbeth, a Scottish nobleman who murders the king believing — because of an occult prophecy — that he is destined to ascend to the throne himself. As king, Macbeth falls into greater and greater depravity of character, even as his once-callous wife and co-conspirator commits suicide in an agony of remorse. Macbeth’s seeming invincibility is short-lived; he learns too late that the prophecies are technically accurate but cruelly deceptive. 191 pages. Five Discussion Guides. RL 9 IL 9+/1350L

Monster by Walter Dean Myers (HarperTempest, 1999). The first-person account of Steve Harmon, a sixteen year old on trial for felony murder, told through his journal and a film script he writes to tell his story. Readers must weigh the evidence presented at the trial as well as the objectivity and accuracy of Steve’s account. 281 pages. Three Discussion Guides. RL 5.1 IL 9+/670L (NEW FORMAT)
Night by Elie Wiesel (Bantam Books, 1982). The moving memoir of Wiesel’s harrowing experiences as a sixteen-year-old Hungarian Jew in a Nazi concentration camp during World War II. 109 pages. Two Discussion Guides. \( \text{RL 10 IL 9+} \)

Somewhere in the Darkness by Walter Dean Myers (Scholastic, 1992) recounts the reunion of Crab, a father recently escaped from prison, with Jimmy, his long estranged son. As they travel across the country together, they come to realize that neither Crab’s dream of clearing his name nor Jimmy’s longing for a picture-book relationship with his father will be fulfilled. However, as each one learns to face his own failures, they come to a genuine affection and respect for one another before Crab dies of a serious illness. 168 pages. Four Discussion Guides. \( \text{RL 7 IL 9-12/640L} \)

Sweet Summer by Bebe Moore Campbell (Ballantine Books, 1990) is the evocative memoir of a young girl’s childhood divided between school years with her mother and grandmother in Philadelphia and much-awaited summers with her father in North Carolina. It is a tale of growing up female and African American in the 1950s and 60s and a tribute to Campbell’s father, a flawed but fiercely courageous paraplegic, and to good fathers everywhere. **Warning:** Profanity and expletives occur frequently in this book; some sexual themes are also explored. 272 pages. Four Discussion Guides. \( \text{RL 9 IL 9+} \)

Whatever Happened to Justice? by Richard J. Maybury (Bluestocking Press, 1993). An accessible, well-written treatment of the origin of law and government from a libertarian point of view. Relationships between law and economics, freedom and democracy are addressed in a way that provides a thought-provoking springboard for discussion. 236 pages. Four Discussion Guides. \( \text{RL 10 IL 10+} \)

Whatever Happened to Penny Candy? by Richard J. Maybury (Bluestocking Press, 1993) is an accessible introduction to economics at a high school level, written in the form of letters from Uncle Eric to his nephew Chris. Topics include the history of money, the business cycle, inflation, and the effect of economic issues on the life and stability of a nation. 125 pages. Two Discussion Guides. \( \text{RL 10 IL 10+} \)
Part VII.
Discussion Guides Offered in Spanish

*Cuando Era Puertorriqueña (When I Was Puerto Rican)* by Esmerelda Santiago (summary on page 20)

- **P07-SANTESP** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
- **P07-SANSNCSP** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $90
- **P07-SANSCSP** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $45

*Harry Potter y La Camara Secreta (Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets)* by J.K. Rowling (summary on page 33)

- **P07-ROWTESP** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
- **P07-ROWNCSP** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110
- **P07-ROWSCSP** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50

*La Casa en Mango Street (The House on Mango Street)* by Sandra Cisneros (appropriate for high school classes; summary on page 57) Five Discussion Guides.

- **P07-CISTESP** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
- **P07-CISSNCSP** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $135
- **P07-CISSCSP** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $60

*Harry Potter y el Prisionero de Azkaban (Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban)* by J.K. Rowling (summary on page 33)

- **P07-ROWTESP** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
- **P07-CROWNCP** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110
- **P07-ROWSCSP** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50

*Harry Potter y La Piedra Filosofal (Harry Potter and the Philosopher’s Stone)* by J.K. Rowling (summary on page 33)

- **P07-ROWTESP** Teachers’ Edition of Discussion Guides $15
- **P07-ROWNCSP** 40 Copies of the Students’ Edition of Discussion Guides (Classroom Set of Non-Consumables) $110
- **P07-ROWSCSP** Consumables for 35 students (Classroom Set of Literature Tests and Vocabulary Tests) $50
Available Standardized Reading Practice Tests

Standardized Reading Practice Tests are consumable multiple-choice tests that provide periodic assessment of students' progress in reading comprehension and reading vocabulary (word recognition, use of multiple meaning words, and defining words in context). The tests also offer opportunities for students to practice taking standardized tests within the context of the pieces of literature they have read. Each classroom set includes 35 Standardized Reading Practice Tests, Teacher Instructions, and an Answer Key. Catalog numbers and ordering information are found with the catalog entry for each title.

**Standardized Reading Practice Tests for Non-Fiction Works**
- *Amos Fortune, Free Man*, by Elizabeth Yates
- *Anne Frank: the Diary of a Young Girl*, by Anne Frank
- *Ben Carson*, by Ben Carson
- *The Double Life of Pocahontas*, by Jean Fritz
- *Freedom’s Children*, by Ellen Levine
- *One More River to Cross*, by Jim Haskins

**Standardized Reading Practice Tests for Short Stories and Poetry**
- *The Dark-Thirty*, by Patricia McKissack
- *A Dime a Dozen*, by Nikki Grimes
- *The Dream Keeper*, by Langston Hughes
- *ego-tripping*, by Nikki Giovanni
- *The Library Card*, by Jerry Spinelli

**Standardized Reading Practice Tests for Novels**
- *Bridge to Terabithia*, by Katherine Paterson
- *Bud, Not Buddy*, by Christopher Paul Curtis
- *Bunnicula*, by James Howe
- *Call It Courage*, by Armstrong Sperry
- *The Call of the Wild*, by Jack London
- *The Cay*, by Theodore Taylor
- *The Clay Marble*, by Minfong Ho
- *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, by C.S. Lewis
- *The Pinballs*, by Betsy Byars
- *Pleasing the Ghost*, by Sharon Creech
- *Report to the Principal’s Office*, by Jerry Spinelli
- *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*, by Mildred Taylor
- *The Skin I’m In*, by Sharon Flake
- *Slake’s Limbo*, by Felice Holman
- *Tangerine*, by Edward Bloor
- *There’s a Boy in the Girls’ Bathroom*, by Louis Sachar
- *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*, by Avi
- *Vampires Don’t Wear Polka Dots*, by Dadey and Jones

**Additional Titles**
- *A Jar of Dreams*, by Yoshiko Uchida
- *Johnny Tremain*, by Esther Forbes
- *Island of the Blue Dolphins*, by Scott O’Dell
- *A Wrinkle in Time*, by Madeleine L’Engle
- *Yolonda’s Genius*, by Carol Fenner
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Reproducible Ordering Worksheet for Student Team Literature Materials

Note: Please fill out a worksheet for each title for which you are ordering materials.

BOOK TITLE: _____________________________________________________

Materials in new format (catalog suffixes -TG, -SG, -AP)

(Note: orders for materials in original format should be calculated on the next page.)

Please answer the following regarding the title indicated above:

1. How many teachers will be teaching this title? (A) ______
   This is the number of Teacher’s Guides (TG) you should order for this title.
   Multiply (A) x the unit price for Teacher’s Guides for this title to find the total cost for Teacher’s Guides.
   
   TG Unit price: $ ______ x (A) = Total: $ ______

2. What is the average number of students per class using this title? ______
   Based on this number, how many packets of 10 each Student’s Guides (SG) and Assessment Packs (AP) do you need to order for each class? (B) ______
   For example, a class of 26 students will need 3 packets of 10 (=30 Student’s Guides) per class, and 3 packs of 10 Assessments as well.

3. How many classes will be using this title? (C) ______
   Multiply (B) x (C) and write the answer here (D) ______
   This is the number of packets of Student’s Guides and Assessment Packs you should order for this title.
   Multiply (D) x the price per packet of Student’s Guides for this title to find the total cost for Student’s Guides.
   
   SG Unit price: $ ______ x (D) = Total: $ ______

   Multiply (D) x the price per packet of Assessment Packs for this title to find the total cost for Assessment Packs
   
   AP Unit price: $ ______ x (D) = Total: $ ______

Please turn the page to calculate orders for materials in original format.

Also see information regarding Standardized Reading Practice Tests on back.
Materials in **original format** (catalog suffixes -TE, -SC, -SNC)

Please answer the following regarding the title indicated above:

1. How many **teachers** will be teaching this title?  
   \[ (E) \]
   
   *This is the number of **Teacher’s Editions (TE)** you should order for this title.*
   
   Multiply \((E)\) x the unit price for Teacher’s Editions for this title to find the total cost for Teacher’s Editions.
   
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2. What is the maximum number of **classes** using this title at any one time?  
   \[ (F) \]
   
   *This is the number of **class sets of Student Non-Consumables (SNC)** you should order for this title. (Note: a class set of Student Non-Consumables includes materials for up to 40 students.)*
   
   Multiply \((F)\) x the price per class set of Student Non-Consumables for this title to find the total cost for Student Non-Consumables.
   
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3. What is the **total number of classes** using this title over the school year?  
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   *This is the number of **class sets of Student Consumables (SC)** you should order for this title. (Note: a class set of Student Consumables includes materials for up to 35 students.)*
   
   Multiply \((G)\) x the price per class set of Student Consumables for this title to find the total cost for Student Consumables.
   
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**Standardized Reading Practice Tests** (catalog suffix -UT)

Order as many Standardized Reading Practice Test (SRPT) Packets as you have classes using the title—(C) or (G) above, if you are using the SRPTs as consumables.

If you are using the SRPTs as non-consumables, you may choose to order as many packets as you have teachers teaching this title—(A) or (E) above.  
(Note: a test packet includes materials for up to 40 students and one teacher.)

Number of **Standardized Reading Practice Test Packets** (UT) to order:  
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Multiply \((H)\) x the price per packet of SRPTs for this title to find the total cost for SRPTs.

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