

Literacy Instruction in Sixth Grade

Genres

Realistic Fiction	Science Fiction	Memoirs	Historical Fiction
True Adventure	Poetry	Fantasy	Informational

Reading Skills and Strategies

Studying the Text	Thinking about the Text
Story Sequence	Author's Purpose
Cause/Effect	Monitoring for Comprehension
Text Features (captions, indices, charts)	Determining Importance
Drawing Conclusions	Summarizing
	Synthesizing
	Questioning
	Inferring

Word Work

Use dictionaries and thesauruses	Use word ending suffixes/prefixes
Define unknown words	Read grade level text at 145-155 WMP

Writing

Writing Craft	Conventions
Word Choice	Punctuation
Elaborating	Spelling Strategies
Adding Dialogue	Sentence Structure
Varying sentences	Paragraphs
Text Structure (Compare/Contrast etc.)	
Titles, Introductions, Conclusions	