How to Access and Use the Reading Textbook (Think Central)

Step 1: Go to www.clever.com

Step 2: Have your student log in with his/her 390 number for the username *and* password.

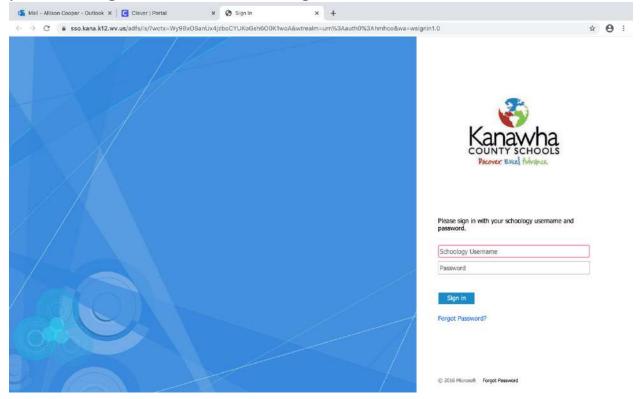
Step 3: Scroll down until you see this app (below) and then click on it. This app allows your student to use the reading textbook online. This document will walk you through the different things you can do and materials you can access on this website.

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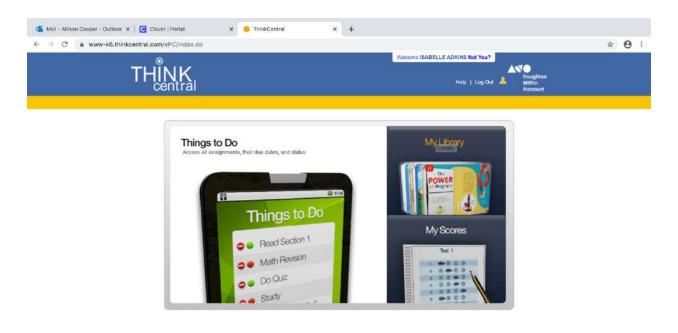


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After you click on the Think Central app, the page below will pop up. Have your student type in his/her 390 number for the username and password again, and then click "sign in".

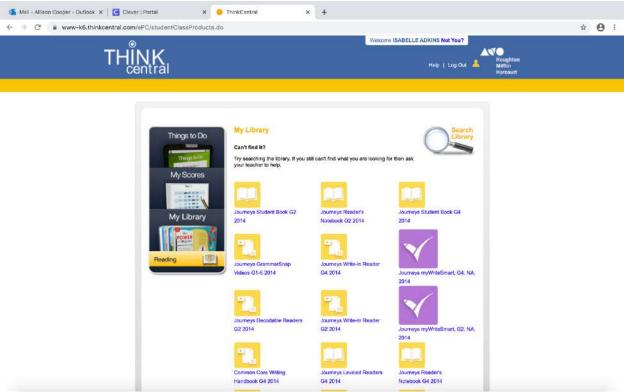


Once logged in, click on "My Library" as seen below.

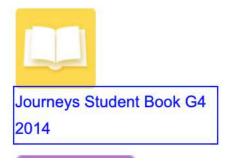


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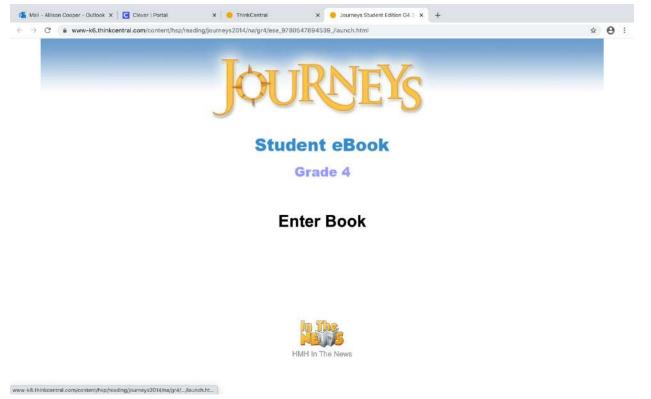
You will see a lot of squares pop up. In this document, I will show you which ones will be relevant to you and your student. Please note: This document will show examples of 4^{th} grade reading materials, NOT 3^{rd} grade. Therefore, your screen and buttons will look slightly different.



The most important button is the one shown below. Please note yours will say "Journeys Student Book G3 2014" instead of G4. The "G" stands for "grade". You may have other grade levels on your screen as well, but make sure you click on the one for third grade.



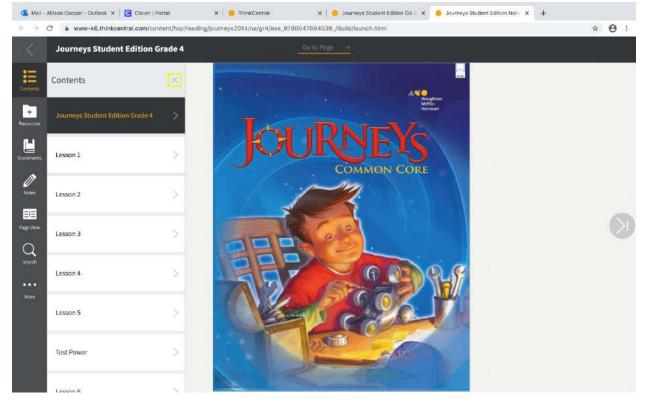
Once you click on it, your screen will look like the picture below. You will then click "enter book".



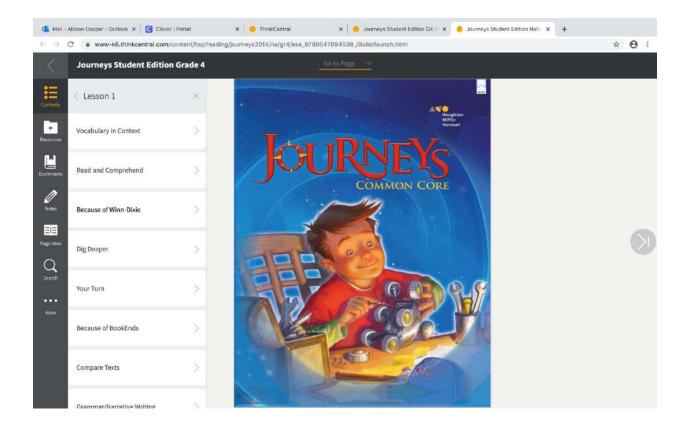
Once you click "enter book", you will see all these options (below) on the left sidebar. Click on "contents".



Once you click on "contents", you will see all the lessons pop up. For this document, I will click on Lesson 1.



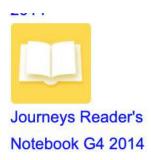
Once you click on "Lesson 1", it will open another menu. You can click on vocabulary or other tabs, but the most important one is normally the third option down. It will have the story name. For this example, the story name for Lesson 1 is "Because of Winn Dixie", so I will click on that one and it will take me directly to the story to read.



You will see in the picture below that the story pops up and you can use the arrows on the left and right sides of the screen to scroll through the pages. You can also type in a page number in the top box that says "go to page". When you type in the page number, you can hit enter and it will take you directly to that textbook page.



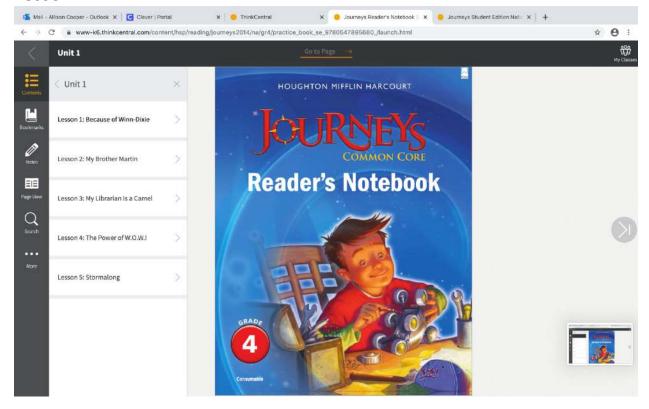
Now I will review some other buttons we could have pushed instead of going directly to the reading textbook. The rest of the buttons I am going to show you would be helpful if your student needs extra practice at home. The button below is the 4th grade Reader's Notebook. This has many workbook pages in it that go along with each lesson. Your button will say "Journeys Reader's Notebook G3 2014" instead of G4. Remember, "G" stands for "grade".



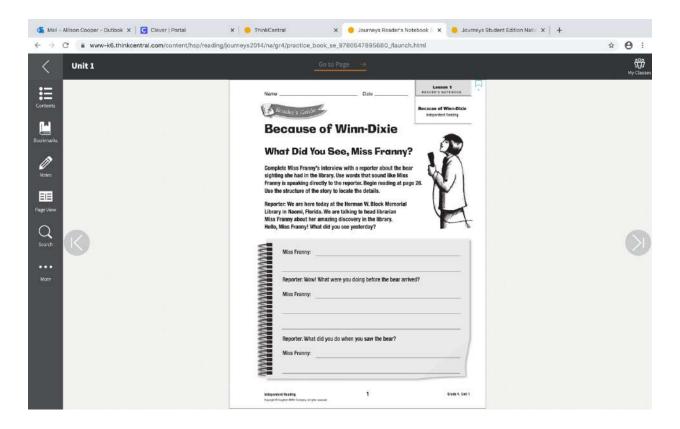
Once you click on it, it will bring up the page below. You will see the options on the left sidebar. Generally, each unit has 5 stories in it. So, for example, if you are on Lesson 1, you will know you are also in Unit 1. For this example, I will be clicking on Unit 1.



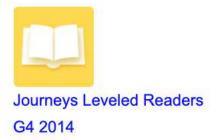
You will then see Lessons 1-5 on the left sidebar. I will be clicking on Lesson 1.



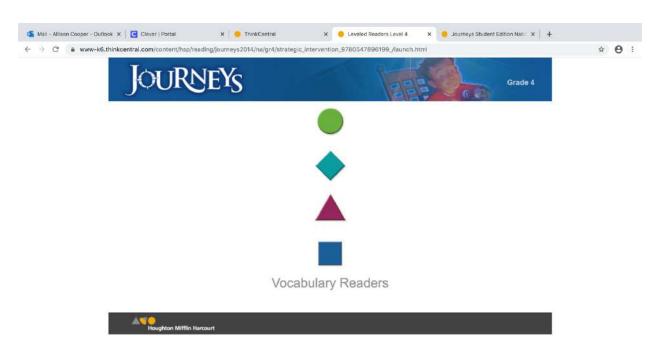
Here you will see the workbook pages that go along with Lesson 1. Please note that each lesson is labeled on the worksheets on the top right corner of each page. You can use the arrows on the right and left sides of the screen to scroll through the workbook pages, or you can use the "go to page" box up at the top of the screen to directly jump to a certain workbook page. These pages can also be printed for extra practice.



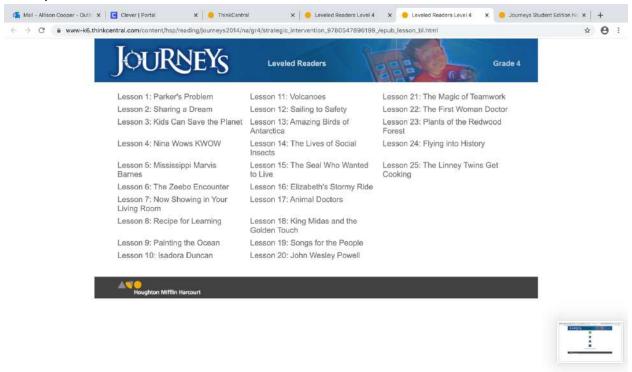
If we go back to the screen with all the buttons, you can also use the leveled readers button. This will provide you with short stories that have similar topics as the main story for the week, and there are various levels to choose from so your child can get extra practice with reading. Remember that your button will be for third grade, so it will say "Journeys Leveled Readers G3 2014", not G4.



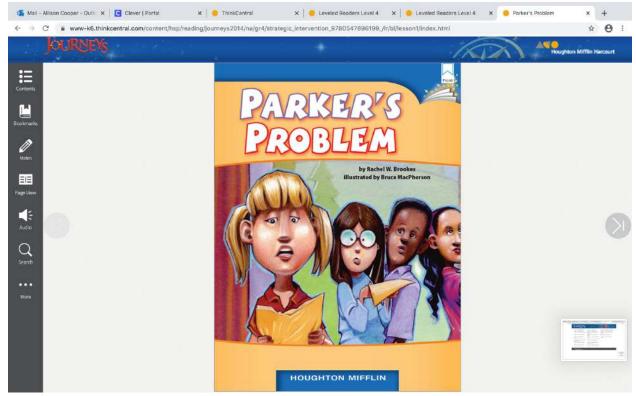
You will then see this screen. Each of the shapes represents a different reading level. The green circle is the level for struggling readers, and the difficulty increases from there. For this example, I am going to click on the green circle.



It will then bring up all of the lessons. If we are reading Lesson 1 in class, then I will choose the Lesson 1 leveled reader.



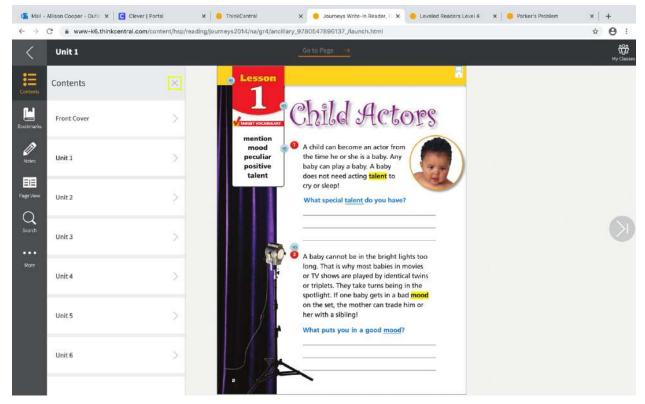
When I click on the story, it will bring it up. You can use the left and right arrows to scroll through the pages.



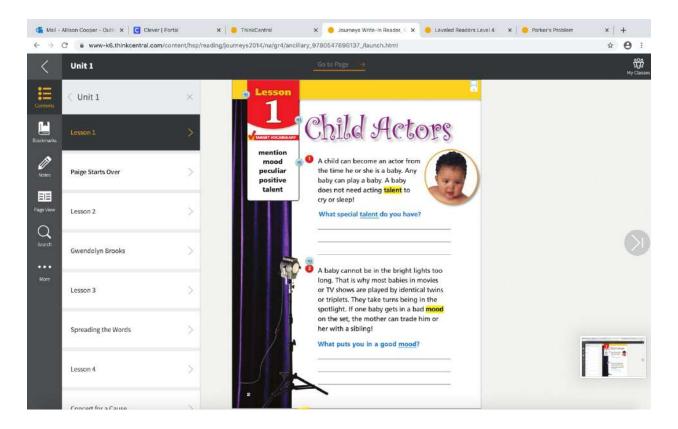
Going back to the different options, you can also click on the write-in reader. Remember, yours for third grade will say "Journeys Write-In Reader G3 2014".



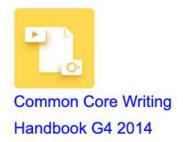
When you click on it, the left sidebar will show different units. Remember, each unit generally has 5 lessons. So, if I am on Lesson 1, then it will be in unit one.



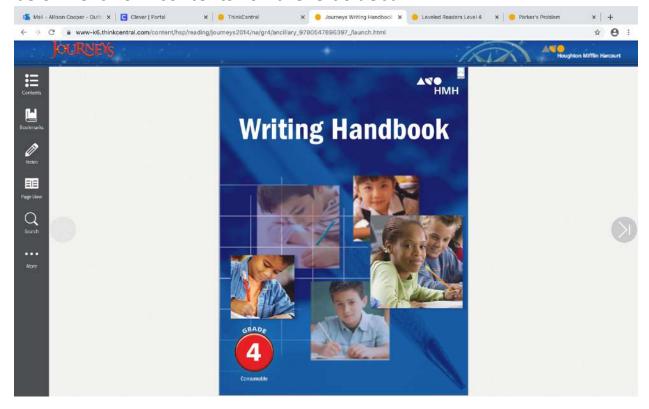
Once you click on Lesson 1, it will bring up the write-in reader activity for that lesson.



Another resource button that I want to point out is the writing handbook. Keep in mind that for third grade, the button will say "Common Core Writing Handbook G3 2014", not G4. Click on this button.



It will bring up a writing handbook that looks like the one pictured below. Click on "contents" on the left sidebar.



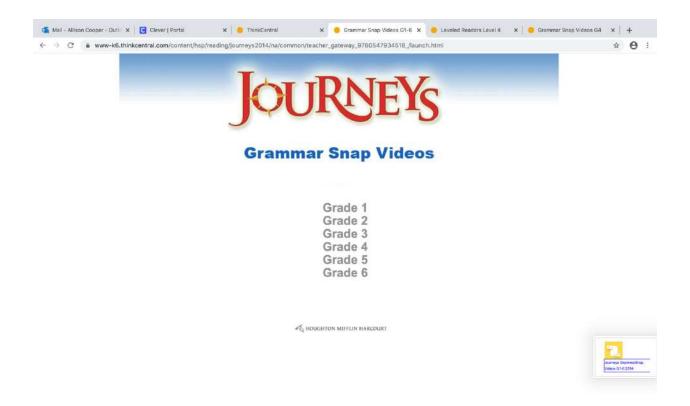
Once you click on "contents", it will open the menu as pictured on the left sidebar below. You will be able to click through different resources to use if your student needs extra help with writing.



The last button I want to point out is the GrammarSnap Videos button. This button includes instructional grammar videos for grade levels 1-6.



Once you click on the button, the screen below will pop up. You can then choose the appropriate grade level. You can even click a lower grade level to review important skills. For this example, I will click on Grade 4.



Here you will be able to click on video lessons that support various corresponding reading lessons. For example, if we are reading story Lesson 1 in class, then I may want to watch the "Complete Sentences" video because it supports Lesson 1. Simply click the gray words to watch the video.



This is an example of what the video will look like once you click on it.

