Third Grade
Unit Plan
Language Arts/Reading
December/January

Content/Concepts:

Non-Fiction Text Features and Structure
Contractions
Singular/Plural Nouns
Syllables
Abbreviations
Homophones
Compound words
Nouns/Verbs/Adjectives
Subject/Predicate
Sentence structure/types
Comprehension
Sequencing
Summarization

Skills:

Spell Contractions and Christmas words

Read Christmas
Passages/Stories, Dogzilla,
Stone Fox, and Anthony
Reynoso

Answer Prove

Explain

Identify Main Idea and Details

Opinion Writing on our Favorite Holiday

Grade Level State Indicators Covered:

- -Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
- -Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language.
- -Explain how specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story (e.g., create mood, emphasize aspects of a character or setting).
- -Decode multisyllabic words.
- _Read grade level text with purpose and understanding.
- _Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.
- -Explain the function of nouns, verbs, and adjectives.
- -Use dictionaries or glossaries, as needed to check and correct spellings.

Critical Questions:

- 1. Can I ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers?
- 2. Can I determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, distinguishing literal from nonliteral language?
- 3. Can I explain how specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story (e.g., create mood, emphasize aspects of a character or setting)?
- 4. Can I decode multisyllabic words?
- 5. Can I read grade level text with purpose and understanding?
- 6. Can I write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons?
- 7. Can I explain the function of nouns, verbs, and adjectives?
- 8. Can I consult reference materials, including beginning dictionaries or glossaries, as needed to check and correct spellings?

Students may read: Anthony Reynoso, Stone Fox, Dogzilla and various Christmas stories.

Assessments:

Diagnostic - class discussion, reviewing

Formative - classroom work, class activities, homework

Summative - written assessments, SCAs