

# Unit 2 Text Set 3 Newsletter

## Important Dates

**Jan. 11 Vocab. Quiz**

**Jan. 12 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**

**Jan. 15 No School**

**Jan. 16 No School**

## Vocabulary Words

**Jan. 29 No School**  
creative - the ability to do something in a new way

brittle - something that is easily broken

descriptive - words that describe or tell about something

outstretched - extended to full length

metaphor - compares two unlike things

simile - compares two things using like or as

rhyme - Words that sound the same

meter - a pattern of syllables in a line of poetry

## Learning Targets

I can refer to the structural elements of poetry (e.g., stanza, line/verse) when writing or speaking about a text.

I can determine the theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text.

I can compare and contrast the viewpoint of different stories, especially in first- and third-person narration.

I can explain the meaning of simple similes and metaphors.

I can demonstrate understanding of figurative language and word nuances in word meaning.

I can write an opinion essay with an introduction, reasons, and conclusion.

## Reading Skills

### Poetry

-What is the poem about?

-What is the theme of the poem?

-How many stanzas does the poem have?

-Does the poem rhyme? If so, what is the rhyme scheme?

### Figurative Language

Idiom – a phrase that doesn't mean what it literally says

Simile- a comparison of 2 things using like or as

Metaphor- a comparison of 2 unlike things

Alliteration- repetition of the same sound

Hyperbole - exaggeration

Personification – giving something human-like qualities

## Grammar

Singular & Plural Nouns  
Possessive Nouns

## Writing

Opinion Writing

## At Home Practice Ideas

Read 20 minutes  
Study vocabulary words  
ixL Skill Plans

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