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In the early 1900s, two cousins leave their Russian shtetl with the rest of their family to come to America, hopeful that they will all pass the dreaded inspection at Ellis Island.

The Memory Coat

The Breadwinner

Take a walk in the deciduous forest. Sunlight filters through new green leaves. It's early summer, and squirrels are chattering in the treetops. A warbler calls out. She's building a nest in an oak tree. A fox crouches behind a stump. Will he find a fat mouse for his next meal? Or will he go searching for berries? Discover this critical forest habitat through narrative text, striking photos, and illustrations.

Home

Dog lovers will adore this imperfect yet endearing mutt and his quest for

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excellence! ***Winner of an Ezra Jack Keats New Author Honor Award!*** Everyone in the Ellis family is excellent--except Ed. Ed wonders if this is why he isn't allowed to eat at the table or sit on the couch with the other children. So he's determined to find his own thing to be excellent at--only to be (inadvertently) outdone by a family member every time. Now Ed is really nervous--what if he's not excellent enough to belong in this family? This funny and endearing story offers a subtle look at sibling rivalry and self esteem, and will reassure kids that everyone is excellent at something, and that your family loves you, just as you are. Praise for Excellent Ed: "A dog lover's delight." —School Library Journal "In Julia Sarcone-Roach's joyful, expressive paintings, we see Ed pondering how to demonstrate excellence. The answer is excellent, and entirely endearing." —The Wall Street Journal "A warm, welcome reminder that everyone is excellent at something." —Kirkus Reviews starred review "In a word? Excellent." —The Horn Book starred review

The Writings of Mark Twain [pseud.]: Life on the Mississippi

Stormfield Edition of the Writings of Mark Twain [pseud.]: Life on the Mississippi

This is the sequel to Breadwinner.

Reader's Theater Scripts Improve Fluency, Vocabulary, and Comprehension Grade 4

Because the Taliban rulers of Kabul, Afghanistan impose strict limitations on women's freedom and behavior, eleven-year-old Parvana must disguise herself as a boy so that her family can survive after her father's arrest.

Life on the Mississippi

From Newbery media winner Karen Hesse comes an unforgettable story of an immigrant family's journey to America. "America," the girl repeated. "What will you do there?" I was silent for a little time. "I will do everything there," I answered. Rifka knows nothing about America when she flees from Russia with her family in 1919. But she dreams that in the new country she will at last be safe from the Russian soldiers and their harsh treatment of the Jews. Throughout her journey, Rifka carries with her a cherished volume of poetry by Alexander Pushkin. In it, she records her observations and experiences in the form of letters to Tovah, the beloved cousin she has left behind. Strong-hearted and determined, Rifka must endure a great deal: humiliating examinations by doctors and soldiers, deadly typhus, separation from all she has ever known and loved, murderous storms at sea, detainment on Ellis Island--and is if this is not enough, the loss of her glorious

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golden hair. Based on a true story from the author's family, Letters from Rifka presents a real-life heroine with an uncommon courage and unsinkable spirit.

The Writings of Mark Twain

Traces the history of immigration to America, from the prehistoric peoples who crossed the land bridge from Asia to modern war refugees

Life on the Mississippi

Mud City

Combining a moving, American immigrant experience narrative with family photographs and evocative illustrations, this inspiring story of courage follows 7-year-old Julius Weinstein and his family as they travel to the U.S. through Ellis Island after having escaped a pogrom in their Russian village in 1917. Reprint.

Dreaming of America

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Excellent Ed

Improve Fluency, Vocabulary, and Comprehension. Motivate students and improve fluency with fun repeated reading.

The Complete Works of Mark Twain: Life on the Mississippi

From the first brilliant rush of horses to the triumphant sight of beautiful bays, chestnuts, shiny blacks, whites, grays, and paints galloping across the pages, Paul Goble's very special book will delight all who love horses and all who love stories that tell of the spiritual connection between people and animals. His magnificent, detailed paintings evoke an almost forgotten world as he recounts a stirring legend based on the oral tradition of the Pawnee. Focusing on a poor boy and his grandmother, adventure begins when the boy discovers an old, limping horse. Though ridiculed by his tribe, the boy cares for the horse and brings it back to health. In turn, the animal helps his friend achieve greatness, only to be betrayed. The boy's remorse is sincere, but will he be forgiven? Captivating readers, Caldecott medalist Paul Goble shows how a loving friendship changes the lives of a

people.

A Standard History of Kansas and Kansans

“This immigration story is universal.” —School Library Journal, Starred Dan Yaccarino’s great-grandfather arrived at Ellis Island with a small shovel and his parents’ good advice: “Work hard, but remember to enjoy life, and never forget your family.” With simple text and warm, colorful illustrations, Yaccarino recounts how the little shovel was passed down through four generations of this Italian-American family—along with the good advice. It’s a story that will have kids asking their parents and grandparents: Where did we come from? How did our family make the journey all the way to America? “A shovel is just a shovel, but in Dan Yaccarino’s hands it becomes a way to dig deep into the past and honor all those who helped make us who we are.” —Eric Rohmann, winner of the Caldecott Medal for *My Friend Rabbit* “All the Way to America is a charmer. Yaccarino’s heartwarming story rings clearly with truth, good cheer, and love.” —Tomie dePaola, winner of a Caldecott Honor Award for *Strega Nona*

All the Way to America: The Story of a Big Italian Family and a Little Shovel

The Writings of Mark Twain: Life on the Mississippi

Describes the history of Ellis Island, a gateway for many immigrants coming to the United States in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, and details the restoration of the landmark and its reopening as a museum.

15 Fun-To-Read American History Mini-Books

Letters from Rifka

Fifteen eight-page mini-books on key American history topics.

Hope in My Heart

A celebration of the great immigration movement through Ellis Island introduces readers to the children and families who entered America through there, in a study presented in a question-and-answer format. Reprint.

The brewer's family

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Document students' mastery of specific comprehension strategies and prepare them for standardized reading assessments. Each book includes multiple assessments for specific strategies including summarize, identify main idea and supporting details, make inferences, compare and contrast, and more. Assessments include multiple-choice and constructed-response questions.

Coming to America

Daily Warm-Ups: Reading, Grade 4

Looks at the early life of Martin Luther King, Jr., as seen through the eyes of his older sister.

Journey to Ellis Island

This beautiful graphic-novel adaptation of The Breadwinner animated film tells the story of eleven-year-old Parvana who must disguise herself as a boy to support her family during the Taliban's rule in Afghanistan. Parvana lives with her family in one room of a bombed-out apartment building in Kabul, Afghanistan's capital city. Parvana's father — a history teacher until his school was bombed and his health

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destroyed — works from a blanket on the ground in the marketplace, reading letters for people who cannot read or write. One day, he is arrested for having forbidden books, and the family is left without someone who can earn money or even shop for food. As conditions for the family grow desperate, only one solution emerges. Forbidden to earn money as a girl, Parvana must transform herself into a boy, and become the breadwinner. Readers will want to linger over this powerful graphic novel with its striking art and inspiring story.

The Breadwinner: A Graphic Novel

Mystic Horse

A Walk in the Deciduous Forest, 2nd Edition

Annie Moore cares for her two younger brothers on board the ship sailing from Ireland to America where she becomes the first immigrant processed through Ellis Island, January 1, 1892, her fifteenth birthday.

My Brother Martin

The Melvill Family and Their Bible Readings

This book challenges traditional, sanctioned, and official histories of reading comprehension by examining how ideological and cultural hegemony work to reproduce dominant ideologies through education in general and reading comprehension research and testing specifically. Willis analyzes the ideological and cultural foundations that underpin concepts, theories, research, tests, and interpretations, and connects these to the broader social and political contexts within U.S. history in which reading comprehension research and testing have evolved. The reconstruction of a history of reading comprehension research and testing in this way demystifies past and current assumptions about the interconnections among researchers, reading comprehension research, and standardized reading comprehension tests. A promising vision of the future of reading comprehension research and testing emerges—one that is more complex, multidimensional, inclusive, and socially just. *Reading Comprehension Research and Testing in the U.S.* aims to revolutionize how reading comprehension is conceived, theorized, tested, and interpreted for all children. This is a critically relevant volume for educational researchers, teacher educators, school administrators, teachers, policy makers, and all those concerned with school literacy and educational equity.

Gittel's Journey

It's show time for learning! Improve Grade 5 students' reading fluency while providing fun and purposeful reading practice for performance. You'll motivate students with these easy-to-implement reader's theater scripts that also build students' knowledge through grade-level content. Book includes 12 original leveled scripts, graphic organizers, and a Teacher Resource CD including scripts, PDFs, and graphic organizers. This resource is correlated to the Common Core State Standards. 104pp.

Life on the Mississippi

Describes strategies teachers can use to promote reading comprehension in students from kindergarten through eighth grade; and includes examples of student work, illustrations, and other reference tools.

If Your Name Was Changed at Ellis Island

The Unitarian Register

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A picture book debut by the illustrator of *The Composer Is Dead* offers a whimsical tribute to the myriad possibilities of home, depicting homes in different real-world environments as well as fantastical settings.

The Family Herald

In this sequel to "The Breadwinner," the Taliban still control Afghanistan, but Kabul is in ruins. Twelve-year-old Parvana's father has just died, and Parvana sets out alone to find her family, masquerading as a boy.

Progress Monitoring Comprehension Assessments

Gittel and her mother were supposed to immigrate to America together, but when her mother is stopped by the health inspector, Gittel must make the journey alone. Her mother writes her cousin's address in New York on a piece of paper. However, when Gittel arrives at Ellis Island, she discovers the ink has run and the address is illegible! How will she find her family? Both a heart-wrenching and heartwarming story, Gittel's Journey offers a fresh perspective on the immigration journey to Ellis Island. The book includes an author's note explaining how Gittel's story is based on the journey to America taken by Lesléa Newman's grandmother and family friend.

Strategies that Work

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Parvana's Journey

After her family immigrates to America from Italy in 1903, ten-year-old Sofia is quarantined at the Ellis Island Immigration Station, where she makes a good friend but endures nightmarish conditions. Includes historical notes.

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