

Harcourt Reading Series

On-line reading website - <https://www-k6.thinkcentral.com/ePC/start.do>

user name: 16 last name first initial (computer lab name)

Password: lunch account number

THEME 1 - PERSONAL TRIUMPHS

Skills taught - Plot setting

Chronological order

Forms of fiction

Synonyms and Antonyms

Reference Sources

Generalizations

Strategies taught - Story Structure (character, setting, etc.)

Graphic Organizers

THEME 2 - JOINING FORCES

Skills taught - Plot and Characters

Main Idea and details

Poetic devices

Shades of Meaning

Cause and Effect

Strategies taught - Monitor Comprehension: reread

Summarize

Vocabulary strategies

THEME 3 - A CHANGING PLANET

Skills taught - Figurative language

Theme

Prefixes, Suffixes & Roots

Author's purpose & Perspective

Strategies taught - Adjust reading rate

Answering questions

THEME 4 - UNIQUE PERSPECTIVES

Skills taught - Point of View

Make judgements

Foreign words

follow multiple-step instructions

Strategies taught - Ask questions

Self-correction

THEME 5 - ANCIENT WISDOM

Skills taught - Compare and Contrast

Literary Devices

techniques

Strategies taught - Read ahead

THEME 6 - THE OUTER LIMITS

Skills taught - Draw and evaluate conclusions

Characterization

Fact and opinion

Study Techniques

Connotation / Denotation

Point of View

Review of taught skills are retaught and reviewed in later lessons through the series.

Testing is done at the end of lessons and themes.