



# Family Reading Connections

## Grade 1 Unit 5: Meeting Characters and Learning Lessons



- **Group** stories that teach similar lessons into categories
- **Articulate** changes that the character goes through
- **Share** feelings, thoughts, and ideas about books with their partners
- **Recommend** books to peers

### Overview:

During this unit, *Meeting Characters and Learning Lessons*, students will be going on reading adventures with the characters they meet in their books. Reading Workshop will focus on story elements, as well as the changes that a character goes through. Over the course of this unit, students will become familiar with characters and identify ways they can be stronger readers. They will make predictions based on information gathered on previous pages, use dialogue with the proper intonation, and continue to build fluency. Strategies will be revisited throughout Reading Workshop to reinforce children's thinking skills.

### In this unit, Students will:

- **Predict** what will happen next in the story
- **Connect** parts of the story together
- **Summarize** the story, using important details from what they have read
- **Discover** new details by rereading
- **Identify** lessons taught by the author
- **Match** the problem and solution within the story
- **Compare** and **contrast** books

### Ways to help at home:

- Provide a place for your child to read each night.
- Discuss the story with your child.
  - Make predictions prior to reading and then check them.
  - Reread the story to promote smooth reading.
  - Identify the elements and retell the story.
  - Identify the changes in the characters' feelings throughout the story.
  - Identify the lesson the author is teaching in the story.
- Listen to your child read.

### New Jersey Student Learning

**Standards (NJSL):** Please refer to Morris School District Rubicon Atlas Website to view standards specific to this unit.

