## Project 3. Comprehension Lesson

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## Student Lily

Reading Grade Level $\qquad$ 5

Pretest: Report Comprehension Assessment Results:
Strengths: Lily understands what part of the paragraph is important and can identify the main ideas in three out of the eight and paraphrase them.
Weaknesses: Lily often writes in the authors words and not in her own.
Results: On the pretest, Lily correctly paraphrased 3/8 paragraphs in the expository text.
Objectives (Qualitative/strategy use; Quantitative measure of comprehension):

1. Short-Term: Lesson Objective .Given.... (materials/task).... student will ... (behavior) with ..... by .... (today's date) When given a $5^{\text {m }}$ grade level text. Lily will paraphrase main ideas of each paragraph by 11/7/19.
2. Long-Term Goal:

Given a 5 " grade level text, Lily will write a summary on an article using notes from the text by $1 / 20 / 20$.

## Material Preparation for the Lesson:



## INTRODUCING COMPREHENSION STRATEGIES AND ACTIVATING BACKGROUND KNOWL.



| LESSON ELEMENT/Introduction of the Comprehension Strategy and Activating Background  <br> Knowledge:  |  |
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| Step 1 <br> Name the strategy | Name Strategy. Ex: "Today, we are learning a strategy called <br> p-think-paraphrase." |
| Step 2 <br>  <br> Develop Bkgd <br> Knowledge | sActivate Background Knowledge: Give real-world <br> example: When I read a book or an article, I need to <br> stop-think-and paraphrase. If I don't, I sometimes realize <br> that I don't understand what I've read, and then I forget <br> the main ideas of my book or article. |
|  | I (we) use a strategy called stop-think- <br> paraphrase. This is important because it helps <br> me focus on what is important and remember <br> those important moments in the story or <br> article. |


| Step 3 <br> Define the strategy, Tell what, how, when \& why | ${ }^{3}$ RELATE TO GOOD READERS This is what good readers do they read a paragraph or page and stop. They think back to what they have read. What was the main idea? What was the article or story trying to say? They paraphrase the information to connect together later. <br> :ELATE TO STUDENT READING BEHAVIOR: GIVE BENEFIT STATEMENT <br> Ex: "Likewise whenever we are reading and we can use the strategy stop-think-paraphrase. It helps me understand better because I can remember what is important and make sense of what is happening in the text." <br> ell $\square$ What, $\square$ $\square$ How, $\square$ When, $\square$ Why. <br> [WHAT] So the strategy we are learning is stop-thinkparaphrase. <br> How we do it is we read a section of the text and stop. We think about what we've just read. What was important? What is the text trying to communicate? Then, we paraphrase what was important to better understand the text. <br> When we can use it is whenever we are reading any type of text. <br> Why it is important is it helps to understand the main ideas in the text and connect sections of the text later. |
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| Step 4 <br> Show Visual Scaffold: <br> Poster/organizer bookmark with <br> ${ }^{2}$ definition ${ }^{\text {(asact }}$ <br> ${ }^{2}$ Self-Talk Stems <br> ${ }^{3}$ strategy steps <br> ${ }^{4}$ student copy | Present/Review cuecard (poster with picture, language, steps, self-talk, etc.) Explain and review the entire poster. Be sure that the poster provides a definition, strategy steps, and models self-talk with inner language prompts for steps. Give copy to student Explain/Describe (put on class poster/student cuecard. Review all following with student): Picture/Image (bookmark/poster) is...: a stop sign to tell us to stop, a thinking student to remind us to think, and a talking bubble to paraphrase information. Strategy definition is (put on poster) is: Stop reading: cover the text with your hand. <br> Think about what you read. <br> Paraphrase. Put It in your own words. |


|  | Steps in the strategy are (Review $1^{\text {tr }}, 2^{\text {nd }}, 3^{\text {rid }} .$. ) See avoce When we use the strategy, we say to ourselves Click or tap here to enter text. <br> "I'm going to stop here..." <br> "I think back to what l've read" <br> "What just happened is..." <br> "What it is saying is..." <br> "The main point it..." <br> We can use the strategy anytime we are reading a text. It is always important! Provide cuecard to each student. What/How/When/Why for strategy (\& bookmark): (same as the poster) |
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| Step 5 <br> Model the strategy through think-aloud. Use post-it notes and/or annotate the text/organizer to record your thoughts. | Model the strategy (ies): <br> Plan 3 places in your text to model the strategy using a thinkaloud. Write these on sticky notes and place in the book. Model the strategy $3 X$ times while you think-aloud about the text, your thoughts, and actions. Include an example of your think-aloud and modeling script for those places. Keep it interactive to some degree. [script this section: Include your marked-up text or post-its in Appendix. Consult the Select/Reflect/Check section for ideas] <br> When I read the first page of Amazing Amazon, I stopped at the end of the first page. I used the strategy Stop-Think-Paraphrase because I'm a good reader and good readers use strategies to understand the text. Stop-Think-Paraphrase helps me to understand and remember the main idea of what l've just read. First, I stopped at the end of the page. I'm going to cover the page with my hand. Now, I need to think about what l've just read (think aloud). Now, I'm going to paraphrase everything I learned. I just learned.... I'm going to write that down on this sticky note and put it right on my page. First page: When I read the first page, I stopped at the end of the page. I thought about the text. It talked about jaguars |




## Be sure to Model Self-Talk \& Self-Regulation [Script or give examples of what you will say]

## Model how to self-instruct, self-monitor, self-evaluate, fix-it, self-

 reinforceSelf-Instruct. I can do this if follow my strategy, So I look at the cuecard. First, I will stop reading and cover the text. Second, I will think about all the new things I learned in the text. Third, I will paraphrase that information. Lastly, I'll jot my paraphrase down on a sticky note and put it in my text.

Self-Monitor: Does it make sense? How am I doing? Did I follow all the steps?

Fix-It Strategy: If I get stuck, I can stop and think about what would make sense in this sentence?

Self-Reinforce: I'm doing great because I'm practicing my new skill by stopping, thinking, and paraphrasing. I'm understanding what I've read!
Click or tap here to enter text.

When I read, I thought $\qquad$ because $\qquad$ .
(text location/strategy/evidence)
$\square$ I am saying to myself ... The voice in my head is saying ... (self-talk \& self-regulation) When I read this text clue... it made me think ... so I ...
Why I made this $\qquad$ (prediction/connection/question) is because $\qquad$ (evidence from text) How I performed the strategy is ... First, I ... Second, I ...Third (models how to do strategy) By doing this, it helps me to understand the text because
(value of strategy) I check myself by ... I didn't understand, so I ... If I get stuck, I can ....(self-regulation/fix-up) $\square$ I'm going to make a note/action (record on post-it, organizer, text, chart, etc.) I annotated the text with my thoughts as a reader.
$\square$ Review strategy talk, process [Do you see how I talk to myself/How I performed the strategy is ...
$\square$ This doesn't make sense. I don't understand ... [self-monitoring].... So I will [fix-it action] Model Self-reinforce, self-instruct, self-monitoring talk (If I get stuck... I can check ...Great! I use strategy Self-monitor (How am I doing? Did I follow the steps)Fix-It (I can check/fix it by...) Self-Reinforce

## Step 6.

Provide Guided Practice:
Support Strategy (We-Do)

## Guided Practice with Feedback (Do it with Me)

Plan 3 places in your story/read-aloud where students will apply the strategy with the teacher using a read-aloud and think-aloud technique. Give students a language frame or cuecard that they can use. Suggested language framework: When I read ... I thought ... because ... Mark 3 stopping places in advance. Prompt students to employ the language frame and strategy as they stop \& think-aloud 3 times. Consult the Select/Reflect/Check Goals for ideas and follow-up prompts. So ask Ss to Stop. 1. Stop and Jot. 2. Turn and talk [talk to text


| Where do you see that? $\square$ Why do you think that? <br> What are you saying to yourself? What are you marking? What are you recording? Why? <br> Does it make sense? What can you do now? What can you do next? How do you know? <br> Explain to me how/when/why... [Ask students to teach/explain/show on document camera, etc.] Students asked to ... <br> $\square$ Think-aloud and use self-talk (use cuecard) as they perform strategy. [What are you thinking?] Identify places in text where they used strategy (\& explain why) [Where did you think that...] Explain their thinking \& justify (I used... (strategy)... because ... ) [Why ?] Name steps in strategy $\ldots 1$ st $\ldots 2^{\text {nd }} \ldots 3^{\text {nd }} .$. or $\square$ How I performed strategy was... Perform strategy \& explain/justify thinking with evidence 2-3 times T/S Record thinking on post-its/anchor chart/document camera, text, etc. Share (report out) their thinking, notes, \& ideas with partner \& the group / class Share their self-talk statements (fix-it routines, self-monitoring, etc.) |  |
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| Step 7. <br> Provide Collaborative Practice (We-Do with Partners) <br> share | Collaborative Practice with partners/small groups. <br> Identify 3 places in your core program story/read-aloud where students will apply the strategy with a partner or small group. Provide post-it notes, strategy cuecard, and partner-reading scaffolds. 1) Ask students to work together to apply strategy and share their strategies and ideas. <br> 2) Have students record post it notes or the text (student choice). 3) Provide a language frame for talking together and discuss how students should work together: [EX: When I read $\qquad$ I thought $\qquad$ because .... Why I think so... ]. <br> 4) Debrief group: Ask them to report out to the class as 5) student/teacher records strategy/summarizes on an anchor chart/document camera. 6) Discuss: (1) how the strategy helped; (2) how they performed the strategy (3) what they learned. Write your plan/directions/language frame for this step and procedures for reporting out to group here: <br> This section of the lesson will have to be on the second day. I am currently only giving this lesson to Lily, and she is practicing with me one-on-one. On Day 2, we will do a small group review of S-T-P and begin the second half of the lesson (starting at step 7 and continuing through the rest of this plan). <br> Directions/Plan/script what Ss will say/do on each page; and your instructions to the partners/group below. <br> Now the text is an article about how migration has affected the population of Qatar. When I read the first section on Population Size, I need to <br> S-T-P. What is the writer trying to say about Qatar's <br> population? When I read the Baby Boomers paragraph, I stopped and <br> thought that the population can not be expanding so quickly |

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decreasing. How can I paraphrase what this paragraph is\end{array}\right]\)| saying in my own words? |
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| $\square$ When I read the Migration paragraph, I thought about |

$\left.\begin{array}{|l|l|}\hline & \begin{array}{l}\text { Plan for performance Review and Feedback on lesson plan } \\ \text { (Discuss transfer) }\end{array} \\ \hline \text { Review what, how, when, why }\end{array}\right\}$

|  | Graphic Organizer [recall/retell] <br> Strategy self-evaluation (Self-evaluate/check off steps in strategy; parts of graphic organizer) <br> Pretest Results: Lily paraphrased 3/8 paragraphs correctly. Posttest Results: Lily paraphrased 6/8 paragraphs correctly. <br> Long-term progress monitoring (How to measure progress at end of quarter, year, etc. Specify): I would use her weekly notes to progress monitor long term. <br> Short-term lesson progress monitoring: Continue to use articles as probes, but use articles we are reading for social studies or science. |
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| Step 11. Error Correction | Error Correction. What Prompts and Follow-up Did you Employ in your lesson? (Mark) Does it make sense? [If not] Reread it and think what strategy makes sense. What can you try? $\square$ What else can you do? What are you thinking now? How can you do that? Did you find all the $\qquad$ or follow all the $\qquad$ steps? Check yourself. Reread it. Does it make sense now? Provides feedback on comprehension strategy, self-regulation, or scoring After Error: Model-Lead-Test. My turn. Watch me do $\qquad$ Your turn. Others: (Refer to strategy poster; language stems, etc. explain) |
| Step 12. <br> Uses Evidence-Based Practices <br> \& Talk moves | Evidence-based Practices in the lesson. Did you? (Self- <br> Check. Click those that apply) Use think-alouds (Teacher and student) Provide Guided Practice and Rehearsal (guided practice) Use Visual Aids and Mnemonics (Comprehension Poster, <br> Anchor chart, cuecards, etc.) Recording Tools or (whiteboard, anchor chart, post-its, annotations, graphic organizer,.) Allow Discussion or create student-to-student dialogues Offer Error Correction and Feedback Promote transfer of comprehension skills to other books and contexts Represent \& teach text structures (story map or graphic organizer) Collect comprehension data (retelling, tracking form, multiple choice, Maze) |


|  | $\square$ Use Effective teacher prompting: Prompts used to extend |
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| thinking and metacognition |  |
| $\square$Offer self-regulation supports \& rubrics (self-talk, goal setting, <br> graphic organizer, strategy steps) <br> $\square$ |  |
|  | Promote self-evaluation of comprehension; self-regulation; self- <br> graphing |
|  | Reteach missed elements and skills during/end of lesson <br> $\square$ <br> Promote high dialogic activity and student talk using <br> discussion protocols |

Stop-Think-Paraphrase: The Peanut Man Assessment


Key:
Series1: Number of Paragraphs Correctly Paraphrased

## Reflection

The day before the lesson, Lily was given a short article, "The Peanut Man". The article is a fifth grade level expository text. Lily was asked to use a sticky note for each paragraph and write the main idea of the paragraph. Lily correctly paraphrased $3 / 8$ paragraphs in the pre-test. After the lesson, Lily was given the same article and task. Lily was able to paraphrase 6/8 paragraphs. Her goal was to paraphrase 6 paragraphs correctly, so she was able to meet her goal. The data does support the conclusion that my student learned the skill partially, but needs more instruction and practice on the skill.

The assessments that I used were not effective in evaluating comprehension. I can assume that my student comprehended the text better on the post test, but I focused more on assessing her ability to use the new skill. Next time, I would add comprehension questions to the article and use them to judge if my student comprehended the text better when using the strategy.

I learned from my student that she doesn't stop to think about the text when she reads. She reported that to me during the lesson and I've noticed that on her texts she doesn't use Talking-to-Text strategies to annotate very often. I also learned that she perseveres in reading interventions. This lesson took much longer than I had anticipated. I gave her the opportunity to continue on with me or I could assess another student and she chose to persevere through the lesson.

I think this lesson was a good start but needs work before I would teach it again. As I was reflecting on this lesson, I realized that I need to be more explicit about the difference between paraphrasing and main idea. I used the ideas interchangeably because I was really trying to get at main idea. However, if I were to teach this lesson again, I would focus first on paraphrasing and then on main idea in a separate lesson. I also think the strategy needs more than one opportunity to practice and will be continuing on in my reading intervention class.

I think that the repetition of me explaining the strategy annoyed my student but was essential to her learning the steps of the strategy. She was able to explaining each step throughout the process. I also think the bookmark was important for her to continue to reference back to. Even today in social studies, she asked for another copy to keep with her folder. I saw her pull it out when reading about Qatar and use sticky notes (though she won't cover the text with her hand, she has informed me that she is too old for that). The only part that I thought didn't work was my pacing. It took such a long time to get through the first part of the lesson that I had to wait another day to finish the lesson and it wasn't as effective as it could have been.

In this lesson, I was focusing on trying to think aloud for my student and show her what I was thinking when I use this strategy. I could not stress enough that this skill is essential for a good reader. I showed her in every step what I was thinking, and we wrote down her thoughts as well. I think that this was moderately successful. I have used this strategy consistently in my classroom so I was expecting this portion to be very easy for her and I think that it was a little bit trickier than I thought. Moving forward, I want to keep a close eye on her when we do this strategy in class. This is also how I tried to promote self-regulation and inner thinking. I also had her graph her results and goals on a graph. I think that I can further promote fix-it strategies by creating a checklist for her to see if she is going through all the steps as she reads.

This lesson was certainly a starter lesson, but I think that it was a successful one. There is a lot of things I would do differently next time, but for a first try I was excited that my student was able to make gains in her post test.


S-T-P Bookmark/Handout


S-T-P poster

Pre-test Front Page

Name: $\qquad$ Class: $\qquad$

## The Peanut Man

By America's Library

George Washington Carver (1860s-1943) was an African American inventor and scientist who studied plants. Carver was born into slavery as it did not officially end in Missouri until 1865. In this informational text, the author discusses how Carver showed farmers the benefits of planting peanuts. As you read, take notes on how George Washington Carver helped African American farmers.
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:Aton one year, then the next year plant peanuts and potatoes. It worked! The peanut plants grew and ugh nutrients to the soil so cotton grew the next year. ny for their families and animals - and no place to sell ow what he did?

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 making things down more than 300 uses for arver thought that if farmers star would be more self-sufficient. ${ }^{2}$ A if other people started making things out of peanuts, they would want to buy the extra peanuts, so farmers would make more money. Although not many of Carver's peanut products were ever massproduced, ${ }^{3}$ he did help spread the word about peanuts.

Peanuts became more and more popular. By 1920 there were enough peanut farmers to form the United Peanut Association of America (UPAA). In 1921 the UPAA asked Carver to speak to the U.S. Congress about the many uses for peanuts. Soon the whole country had heard of George Washingtı Carver, the Peanut Man! And by 1940 peanuts had become one of the top six crops in the U.S.

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NOTE: Rainforest can be spelled in two ways: rainforest or rain forest. We will use the one-word spelling. And when this book uses the word rainforest, it means tropical rainforest.


In the Amazon rainforest

## Chapter 1: There Is a Place

There is a place where monkeys swing and howl. There is a place where jaguars leap from tree to tree. Bananas and pineapples grow for frt Tiny frogs live in flowers. Pink-colored dolphins swim in the river. Storms come often, and the ai is sweet. $\times 1 \times$ sounds beautify,


## During the lesson

## Rainforests

Tropical rainforests are forests where it rains a lot. In fact, a tropical rainforest receives between 150 and 400 centimeters (59-157 in) of rain every year. They are also warm. The temperature ranges from $25^{\circ}$ to $35^{\circ}$ Celsius $\left(77^{\circ} \mathrm{F}-95^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right)$. Rainforests are green vear-round. Their hot and humid climate is
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The Amazing Amazon • Level


The rainforest's dense foliage

## The Amazon

The Amazon rainforest is in South America. It is the largest tropical rainforest in the world. It has more kinds of insects, plants, and animals than any other place on Earth. Everv vear


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So just how big is the Amazon River?

- The Amazon River can be more than 48 kilometers ( 30 mi ) across at its widest point during the rainy season.
- It flows almost 6,437 kilometers ( $4,000 \mathrm{mi}$ ) to the Atlantic Ocean.
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## From the Amazon Yearbook



Sloths are slow-ms animals. They seem $t$ hang out (upside don in the trees.

The tapir is a big animal that is relate horse and the rhinc Tapirs often weigh over 136 kilograms


At around 1.2 ( 4 ft ) long, the cap is the world's larg rodent. (But don' Katie a big rat.)

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## The Peanut Man

By America's Library


Post-test Front Page


## Qatar's migrants: how have tl changed the country?

Qatar has become almost unrecognisable from the tiny nation it once was. We look at the data to find out how migration changed everything and what happens when a nation swells so quickly.

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Read our exclusive on Qatar's World Cup slaves $\square$


A Qatari investor follows the stock market activity but whose keeping an eye on demographics? Photograph: Karim Janfar/AFP/Getty Images


Second day: Independent Practice (Lily is absent, so this is another student's work)


40 years

## Baby boomers?

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A quick look at the fertility of female Qataris shows that they're having far fewer children - on average, just 2.4 each compared to the 5.45 children per woman in 1980. The number of children dying before their $5^{\text {th }}$ birthday has fallen - but not by enough to explain that growth.

So if it's not bigger families, what else is making Qatar grow?

Women are
having less a
but the pop
still grows

## Migration


[^0]:    1. Restore (verb): to bring back
