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Emperor Penguins Up Close

Everything you ever wanted to know about ladybugs— and why they're crucial to our environment. When you think of a ladybug, you might picture a little red beetle with seven black spots on its back—but did you know there are thousands of types of ladybugs, spread across the world? With her signature combination of simple text, clear illustrations, and simple diagrams, Gail Gibbons explores the world of ladybugs. These small beetles live on six of the seven continents, ranging in size,

markings, and coloration. Follow a ladybug through the four stages of its development from egg to adult, and learn about its behavior and habitat—plus, how little ladybugs help protect crops by eating harmful insects. Bright illustrations and an easy-to-read text make this ideal for young readers studying the natural world. A page of quick ladybug facts and resources for learning more are included.

Frogs

"Gail Gibbons is known for her ability to bring the nonfiction world into focus for young students. Through pictures, captions, and text, this book provides a window into the world of growing things Erin Mallon complements Gibbons's text with a clear, clipped, and purposeful narration." -AudioFile Magazine

An A From Miss Keller

A kid favorite of life in the far north, Recess at 20 Below is now repackaged in a new design with bonus content from the author! Experience from a kid's perspective what it is like playing during recess when it is really cold: how the world sounds outside, how it tastes outside, how it looks, and even how it smells when the thermometer says it's 20 below. Learn about the layer after layer of clothing you have to put on to avoid frostbite before you could hit the playground,

the tiny ice crystals you could just see in the air, the loud crunch, crunch, crunch sound your boots make when you walked. Photographs of real kids with words by award-winning teacher Cindy Lou Aillaud have made this book popular all over North America because all the kids want to know what happens at 20 below zero. This revised edition also includes the author's answers to real questions she has received from kids everywhere about what life and school are like in Alaska.

Cats Vs. Dogs

From Seed to Plant

"Christina Moore uses her talent for storytelling to create a more narrative-like tale. An attractive offering for listening centers and for young children interested in nature and science." -School Library Journal

Teaching for Deep Comprehension

When a young pig knocks on a fox's door, Mr. Fox thinks dinner has arrived, but the pig has other plans, in a funny trickster tale with a surprise ending. Reprint. BOMC.

Mapping Penny's World

The wolf loves to eat more than anything in the world and one day he has a terrible craving for chicken stew. He spots a chicken who seems just right, but then he thinks how much more stew there will be if he fattens her up before dining himself. So he goes home and begins to cook all kinds of scrumptious food for the chicken to eat. A big surprise is in store for the wolf when he finally visits Mrs. Chicken to collect his meal.

Sharks

Guides teachers through a variety of projects, samples, and classroom anecdotes that demonstrate how teachers can help students become more effective writers of good nonfiction.

The Laura Ingalls Wilder Companion

When Pierre, an African penguin living at the California Academy of Sciences, begins to lose his feathers, the zoo staff is at a loss as to what to do. The lack of feathers causes Pierre to lose warmth, making him afraid to swim in the zoo pool. And the other penguins start to shy away, giving Pierre the "cold" shoulder.

Unfortunately, heaters and medications fail to correct the situation. But one rainy day, inspiration strikes a biologist named Pam. While walking her dog in the rain, Pam notes that her pet wears a raincoat. Could a "raincoat," or wet suit, help Pierre? A tiny neoprene wet suit is designed especially for Pierre. But will it work? Told in rhyme by noted I SPY author Jean Marzollo, this true story of veterinary ingenuity charmingly comes to life. Jean Marzollo has written more than 100 children's books, including the award-winning I SPY series. With a graduate degree from Harvard, she has taught school, written books about teaching and parenting, and was the editor of Scholastic's Let's Find Out kindergarten magazine for 20 years. Jean lives in upstate New York. Nationally known for her many award-winning children's books that feature exotic flora and fauna, Laura Regan's artwork has been used to raise funds for many wildlife organizations. She is the illustrator of A is for Anaconda: A Rainforest Alphabet. Laura lives in the Bay Area in California.

This is Your Life Cycle

How did Patricia Polacco become a writer? A perfect companion to the classic Thank You, Mr. Falker, The Art of Miss Chew, and Mr. Wayne's Masterpiece, this book celebrates a teacher who inspired a young Patricia Polacco to become the writer and storyteller she is today. Trisha is nervous about being chosen for Miss Keller's writing class. "Killer Keller" demands that her students dazzle her with

their writing, and rumor has it that she has never given an A. The rumors turn out to be all too true—there’s just no pleasing Miss Keller. Then an unexpected loss leaves Trisha heartbroken. Thoughts of teachers and grades forgotten, she pours out her soul in a personal narrative. And when Miss Keller reads it, she tells Trisha, “You’ve given your words wings.”

Teaching Text Features to Support Comprehension

A 40th anniversary tribute to the Last Great Race on Earth describes the brutal natural elements that challenge competitors, profiling the intrepid dogs whose history dates back to the famous Balto while sharing historical facts and offering insight

Grizzly Bears

Gail Gibbons explores the mysterious world and workings of owls. She depicts numerous species of owls and discusses their biological similarities as well as their differences. She portrays their ideal habitats, life styles, birth and development and

The Everything Guide to Informational Texts, K-2

Presents facts and comparisons about the physical characteristics, senses, eating habits, and behavior of cats and dogs.

Complete Comprehension

The Laura Ingalls Wilder Companion helps eager readers experience and discover Wilder's books like never before. Author Annette Whipple encourages children to engage in pioneer activities while thinking deeper about the stories and real-life circumstances of the Ingalls and Wilder families as portrayed in the nine Little House books. This valuable companion provides brief introductions to each Little House book, chapter-by-chapter story guides, and additional information related to each of the books' content and history. "Fact or Fiction" sidebars tell the surprising truth about Laura Ingalls Wilder's writing, while 75 activities, crafts, and recipes encourage kids to "Live Like Laura" using easy-to-find supplies. Thoughtful questions help the reader develop appreciation and understanding for stories. Every aspiring adventurer will enjoy this walk alongside Laura from the big woods to the golden years.

My Lucky Day

After learning about maps in school, Lisa maps all the favorite places of her dog

Penny.

Mush!

Takes a journey to the harsh terrain of Antarctica where Emperor Penguins thrive in the frigid landscape, tending to their young, swimming in the icy waters, and hunting for food.

The Wolf's Chicken Stew

Writing nonfiction is a key skill that students will need throughout their school lives, and beyond. This remarkable book is designed to help teachers develop a writing program that will enable their students to harness all of their Nonfiction Writing Powers: to Describe, to Instruct, to Compare, to Persuade, to Explain, and to Report. It illustrates ways to encourage students to write because they have something to say, and to recognize that writing well means considering intent and purpose, and choosing the best form of expression. Ideal for teaching writing in the content areas, the book includes guidance on linking writing forms to Science, Social Studies, and other subject areas.

Hana's Suitcase

The beloved classic about friendship—a Newbery Honor Book! Frog and Toad are best friends—they do everything together. When Toad admires the flowers in Frog's garden, Frog gives him seeds to grow a garden of his own. When Toad bakes cookies, Frog helps him eat them. And when both Frog and Toad are scared, they are brave together. School Library Journal called this story collection from Arnold Lobel "a masterpiece of child-styled humor and sensitivity." Winner of the Newbery Honor award, Frog and Toad Together is a Level Two I Can Read book, geared for kids who read on their own but still need a little help. Whether shared at home or in a classroom, the engaging stories, longer sentences, and language play of Level Two books are proven to help kids take their next steps toward reading success. The classic Frog and Toad stories by Arnold Lobel have won numerous awards and honors, including a Newbery Honor, a Caldecott Honor, ALA Notable Children's Book, Fanfare Honor List (Horn Book), School Library Journal Best Children's Book, and Library of Congress Children's Book.

Reindeer

An informative introduction to the "world records" held by fourteen members of the animal kingdom. Each spread portrays an animal that is the largest, slowest, longest lived. Readers can see the animal's size in relation to something familiar.

Powerful Writing Structures

Did you know that the biggest sharks are bigger than a bus? Did you know that some sharks have camouflage to hide on the ocean floor? Did you know that baby sharks can swim as soon as they are born? Learn all about the amazing world of sharks, and follow their lives from pup to adult. By the time you've finished reading, you'll be a shark expert! The Animal Lives series is a great introduction to the world of animals - where they live, how they grow and learn, what they eat and the dangers they have to face. Animal Lives has all the facts on your favourite ocean animals. Each title in this appealing series takes an up-close look at a different creature, exploring habitat, conservation and animal adaptation, as well as looking at the life cycle of the particular animal and the way the young survive - often against tremendous odds. This series also discusses the importance of protecting endangered species and their habitats. The Animal Lives series includes: Dolphins and Porpoises: 978-1-60992-689-2, Sharks: 978-1-60992-690-8, Lions: 978-1-60992-691-5, Giraffes: 978-1-60992-692-2

I Want to Be a Veterinarian

When K–5 students understand how to read text features like bullets, insets, and bold print, they are reading the whole page—essential for deep comprehension of

nonfiction and fiction text. In this revised edition, seasoned educators Michelle Kelley and Nicki Clausen-Grace show you how to explicitly teach K–5 students to read text features, use them to navigate text, and include them in their own writing. Sixty mini-lessons for teaching print, graphic, and organizational features provide ample choices for meeting the standards while adapting to students' needs. The lessons, which follow the gradual release of responsibility model and increase in difficulty, can be used within the typical 90-minute reading block, during content-area instruction, in small groups, and as part of independent practice opportunities. Each lesson offers concept review, suggestions for differentiation, assessment options, and technology connections, requiring students to find, explore, manipulate, and create text features in their own writing. Also included are Thinksheets, visual examples of each text feature, rubrics, the assessment picture book, and readers' theatre scripts that can be downloaded for use. Many of these important resources and convenient lesson supports can be filled out directly on the computer.

Bloom Boom!

This timely book uses thinking structures to deepen student writing. It revolves around “brain pockets” to help students appreciate the qualities of different writing forms. Some powerful examples include memory pockets for personal narrative writing, fact pockets for nonfiction, and imagination pockets for story writing.

Detailed lesson plans are featured along with sample anchor books and book lists. Based on extensive classroom testing, student samples throughout the book illustrate this unique approach to teaching writing. Suggestions for setting up an effective writing program and assessment tips for guiding instruction complete this comprehensive approach to developing a year-long writing program.

Penguins!

“A fascinating and frightening book” (Los Angeles Times)—the bestselling true story about a house possessed by evil spirits, haunted by psychic phenomena almost too terrible to describe. In December 1975, the Lutz family moved into their new home on suburban Long Island. George and Kathleen Lutz knew that, one year earlier, Ronald DeFeo had murdered his parents, brothers, and sisters in the house, but the property—complete with boathouse and swimming pool—and the price had been too good to pass up. Twenty-eight days later, the entire Lutz family fled in terror. This is the spellbinding, shocking true story that gripped the nation about an American dream that turned into a nightmare beyond imagining—“this book will scare the hell out of you” (Kansas City Star).

Pierre the Penguin

You don't have to love or even like spiders to love this book. In fact, if you really don't like spiders, you'll have a lot in common with the book's narrator, who despite his/her best intentions, cannot help smooshing them! This fresh and very funny non-fiction picture book shares lots of fascinating facts about spiders-like a single spider can eat 50 pounds of bugs in a year!-and in an entirely captivating way. If I'm Trying to Love Spiders doesn't cure your spider phobia, it'll at least make you appreciate how amazing they are and laugh a lot as you learn about them.

Tigers

Did you know that grizzly bears can climb trees? Find out more facts about grizzly bears.

Nonfiction Mentor Texts

"Mazzoli's steady, clear narration is perfect for articulating facts about these birds of the Arctic. Listeners will relish hearing about the variety of penguins and their distinctive characteristics. Penguin calls and sounds from the habitat complete the recording." -AudioFile 2011

Shark

Follow a reindeer through its day as it eats, sleeps, and cares for its young.

Nonfiction Writing Power

Discusses reading comprehension and offers ways for teachers to develop it in their students, exploring the cognitive and social aspects of comprehension while viewing it as an active process.

The Amityville Horror

"Writing allows each of us to live with that special wide-awakeness that comes from knowing that our lives and our ideas are worth writing about." -Lucy Calkins
Teaching Writing is Lucy Calkins at her best-a distillation of the work that's placed Lucy and her colleagues at the forefront of the teaching of writing for over thirty years. This book promises to inspire teachers to teach with renewed passion and power and to invigorate the entire school day. This is a book for readers who want an introduction to the writing workshop, and for those who've lived and breathed this work for decades. Although Lucy addresses the familiar topics-the writing process, conferring, kinds of writing, and writing assessment- she helps us see

those topics with new eyes. She clears away the debris to show us the teeny details, and she shows us the majesty and meaning, too, in these simple yet powerful teaching acts. Download a sample chapter for more information.

I'm Trying to Love Spiders

Provides facts about tigers, including their habitat, talents, and feeding habits.

Teaching Writing

Describe the natural habitat, physical characteristics, diet, and behavior of sharks.

Frog and Toad Together

This ebook includes audio narration. This winning heroine will inspire every child to cheer her on as she ventures through a bitter cold snowstorm in William Steig's classic *Brave Irene*. Brave Irene is Irene Bobbin, the dressmaker's daughter. Her mother, Mrs. Bobbin, isn't feeling so well and can't possibly deliver the beautiful ball gown she's made for the duchess to wear that very evening. So plucky Irene volunteers to get the gown to the palace on time, in spite of the fierce snowstorm that's brewing-- quite an errand for a little girl. But where there's a will, there's a

way, as Irene proves in the danger-fraught adventure that follows. She must defy the wiles of the wicked wind, her most formidable opponent, and overcome many obstacles before she completes her mission. Brave Irene is a 1986 New York Times Book Review Best Illustrated Book of the Year. NARRATED by MERYL STREEP.

Brave Irene

Your resource for best texts and best practices! Kathy Barclay and Laura Stewart have written the book that teachers like you have been pleading for—a resource that delivers the “what I need to know ” to engage kids in a significant amount of informational text reading experiences. No filler, no lofty ideals about college and career readiness, but instead, the information on how to find lesson-worthy texts and create developmentally appropriate instructional plans that truly help young readers comprehend grade-level texts. What you’ll love most: The how-to’s on selecting informational texts High-impact comprehension strategies Model text lessons and lesson plan templates An annotated list of 449 informational texts

Make it Real

Host Bob Beetle takes special guest Dahlia Dragonfly down memory lane, highlighting the most influential creatures and experiences during her time as a

nymph and giving young readers facts about the life cycle of a dragonfly.

Ladybugs

Discover the magic—and the science—behind spring flower blooms with this companion to the celebrated Raindrops Roll, Best in Snow, and Full of Fall. When spring arrives, flowers of all kinds sprout and grow buds and bloom. Sometimes, they bloom a few at a time. But other times, many will bloom at once in a colorful flower boom! This photographic exploration of flowers goes from the desert to the woodlands and beyond, celebrating their beautiful variety and the science behind these colorful displays.

Recess at 20 Below, Revised Edition

A biography of a Czech girl who died in the Holocaust, told in alternating chapters with an account of how the curator of a Japanese Holocaust center learned about her life after Hana's suitcase was sent to her.

Monarch Butterfly

Introduce young readers to the fascinating process of how caterpillars become

butterflies. Follow the transformation from a tiny white egg laid on a leaf to a brilliantly colored butterfly in this kid-friendly introduction to metamorphosis. With detailed, bright watercolors, Gail Gibbons illustrates the life cycle of the monarch butterfly, stage by stage, as it grows, changes, and takes flight. With clear, labeled diagrams and simple text that defines and reinforces important vocabulary, *Monarch Butterfly* introduces key concepts of insect anatomy and behavior. And of course, the unique migration of the monarch-- which can range up to four thousand miles-- is covered, with descriptions of how the insects travel, and how people in their path celebrate the occasion. This classic look at butterflies also includes directions on raising your own monarch at home, and a page of fun facts about these colorful butterflies.

Rude Giants

For the child who says, "I want to be a veterinarian when I grow up!" And for any child who wants a gentle behind-the-scenes look at being a veterinarian. Veterinarians help sick and hurt animals feel better. Did you know that there are many different ways to be a veterinarian? When a father and child bring Gus the dog to his check-up, they learn that there are vets who work with very large animals, vets who work with wild animals—and more. *I Want to Be a Veterinarian* is part of a new *I Can Read* series that introduces young readers to important community helpers. This Level One *I Can Read* is perfect for children learning to

sound out words and sentences. Whether shared at home or in a classroom, the short sentences, familiar words, and simple concepts of Level One books support success for children eager to start reading on their own. For anyone looking for books about community helpers for kids, the I Can Read My Community books are a great choice. The books are bright and upbeat and feature characters who are diverse in terms of gender, race, age, and body type. Kids ages 3-6 will enjoy finding out more about the people who do so much to help all of our communities.

Owls

Linda Hoyt provides a practical, classroom-friendly guide to unlocking the treasures of informational text.

Biggest, Strongest, Fastest

When two nasty giants kidnap Gerda the cow, Beatrix the butter maid devises an ingenious plan to outwit the giants and teach the rude barbarians a lesson in manners.

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