



Thank You for Sharing Your Year With Us!

Dear teachers,

As I write this note, I am sitting in my home office in Brooklyn, putting the finishing touches on our final issue of the school year. Outside, a few neighborhood kids are making their way to school, laughing and skipping down the street under the morning sun. Considering how tough the past two years have been, it feels like a gift to witness this carefree moment of joy.

And of course, I can't help but think about their teachers. Because behind every student is a whole team of teachers—guiding them, supporting them, and cheering them on. The *Scope* team is honored to have been part of your classrooms this year.

We hope this issue will bring some moments of laughter and joy to you and your students as this school year comes to a close. We've filled it with stories of celebration ("The Wave Catcher," p. 16), goodness ("Anything Is Possible," p. 26), wonder ("The Return of the Mummy King," p. 4), and creepy fun (*The Experiment*, p. 11).

Wishing you a summer of rest and rejuvenation!

Warmly,
Kristin



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Staff Picks

"Online privacy is an important issue for all of us—including kids. This month's debate does a fantastic job of exploring it in terms accessible to students."

—Jennifer Dignan, *Senior Editor*



"As someone who was fascinated by Tutankhamen as a kid, I'm so excited for your students to read all about him in this month's narrative nonfiction."

—Adee Braun,
Managing Editor



"'Bag for Life' is perfect for inference. More important, it will get your kids thinking deeply about hope."

—Lauren Salisbury,
Education Editor



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 Story	 Summary	 Skills and Standards**	 Multimedia	 Skill Building Activities	 More Resources
Grammar , pp. 2-3 “This Frog Is See-Through!”	Students practice subject-verb agreement while learning about several creatures with translucent skin.	Featured Skill: conventions of standard English CCSS: L.3	 Video: Grammar Hack: <i>Is or Are?</i>	More practice with subject-verb agreement	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Narrative Nonfiction , pp. 4-10 “The Return of the Mummy King”	This fascinating work of nonfiction tells the story of the 1922 discovery of Tutankhamen’s tomb and our enduring fascination with the teenage pharaoh.	Featured Skill: key ideas and details CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.7, W.2, SL.1, L.4, L.5, L.6	 Audio: Article and vocabulary  Video: Time Machine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preparing to Write: The Mummy King Exhibit• Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions• Video Discussion Questions• Choice Board <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice• Quiz*• Core Skills: Summarizing*, Text Features, Text Structure*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Lower Lexile ✓ Spanish version ✓ Answer key
Drama , pp. 11-15 <i>The Experiment</i>	A delightfully creepy play based on Nathaniel Hawthorne’s short story “Dr. Heidegger’s Experiment”	Featured Skill: theme CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.10, W.3, W.9, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.6	 Vocabulary Slideshow	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preparing to Write: Dr. Heidegger’s Experiment• Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions• Theme Anticipation Guide <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Choice Board• Vocabulary: Definitions• Quiz*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Paired Texts , pp. 16-21 “The Wave Catcher” and “Monster Waves”	Two nonfiction texts explore the history and evolution of surfing.	Featured Skill: synthesis CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, R.7, R.9, W.3, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.5, L.6	 Audio: Articles and vocabulary  Video: Beyond the Story	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preparing to Write: Plan Your Speech• Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions• Video Discussion Questions• Choice Board <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice• Quiz*• Core Skill: Text Evidence*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Debate: Scavenger Hunt , pp. 22-25 “Your Phone Is Spying on You”	Our online activity is tracked and our data is sold to advertisers. Carla thinks this is an invasion of privacy. Daniel disagrees. Who makes the stronger argument?	Featured Skill: analyzing arguments CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.4, R.6, R.8, W.1, W.4, W.5, SL.1, L.4, L.6	 Audio: Articles and vocabulary  Video: A History of Advertising	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scavenger Hunt*• Essay Kit• Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Short Read , pp. 26-27 “Anything Is Possible”	In this bite-sized article, students meet Melody Day, who helped her school create a more inclusive playground.	Featured Skill: constructed response CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.4, W.1, W.4, W.5, L.4, L.6	 Audio: Article and vocabulary  Video: My Story: Melody Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Short Write Kit• Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quiz*• Core Skill: Central Ideas and Details*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Fiction In a Flash , pp. 28-29 “Bag for Life” by Joseph Elliott	After reading a thought-provoking story, students complete an activity focused on inference, then write a prequel.	Featured Skill: inference CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, W.3, L.4, L.5, L.6	 Audio: Story and vocabulary	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Narrative Planner• Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Choice Board• Core Skill: Inference	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
You Write It , pp. 30-31 “Meet a Teen Journalist”	Students turn our interview with Zhoriel Tapo, a 13-year-old reporter for Scholastic Kids Press, into an article.	Featured Skills: summarizing, key ideas CCSS: R.1, R.2, W.2		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Writing Planner	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Poem , p. 32 “Grandfather’s Chopsticks”	Students read and analyze a poem by Janet Wong. Then they choose an object to write their own poem about.	Featured Skills: analyzing and writing poetry CCSS: R.10, W.3	 Audio: Poem  Video: Poem read-aloud with Janet Wong	<div>Print, project, or share</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poetry Analysis• Poetry Planner	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key

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* Available on two levels

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Sneak Peek

Get an exclusive sneak peek at some of the exciting stories we're cooking up for the fall—and submit your requests!



Vocabulary Slideshow

The slideshow that accompanies this issue's play, *The Experiment*, is a wonderful pre-reading activity.



Poetry Video

Janet Wong reads her sweet poem "Grandfather's Chopsticks" to your students.



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