



Spotlight On: Video!

Dear teachers,

Is it engaging? Is it important? Is it going to build knowledge and vocabulary? These are the guiding questions our team considers as we create videos for you and your students. In this issue, I am excited to share three brand-new videos:

- 1. Beyond the Story:** Take your students on a journey to Ireland, to the time of the Great Irish Famine. The video makes a powerful companion for our nonfiction feature, "Escape to Hope."
- 2. Into the World of Gold:** This issue's paired texts are all about gold! The first article explores the thrilling mystery of a legendary gold mine in Arizona. The second focuses on why gold is valuable. And the video answers the question "Where does gold come from?" (Hint: It has to do with stars.)
- 3. Grammar Hack:** *Accept* or *except*? This short video will help your students remember how to use these commonly confused words.

I hope you'll try these videos out and tell me how it goes!

Warmly,
Kristin



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Staff Picks

"Edd Neary's incredible story (pp. 4-10) of surviving famine in Ireland and making a new life in the U.S. has such rich connections to today's world." —Jane Nussbaum, Executive Editor



"The grammar feature (pp. 2-3) is so delightful. Who doesn't want to read about

real-life landspeeders and hive minds?" —Lauren Salisbury, Education Editor

"Our play based on the story of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde (pp. 22-27) raises big, engaging questions about human nature. It's also a ton of creepy fun!" —Jennifer Dignan, Senior Editor



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Story	Summary	Skills and Standards**	Multimedia	Skill Building Activities	More Resources
Grammar , pp. 2-3 "This Stuff Is Real! (Sort of)"	Students practice using <i>accept</i> and <i>except</i> while learning the science behind Star Wars's hovercraft, Iron Man's armor, and <i>Stranger Things</i> 's hive mind.	Featured Skill: conventions of standard English CCSS: L.3	Video: Grammar Hack: <i>Accept or Except?</i>	More practice with <i>accept</i> and <i>except</i>	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Narrative Nonfiction , pp. 4-10 "Escape to Hope"	In this powerful true story, students learn about the Great Irish Famine through the eyes of young Edd Neary, who grew up in Ireland in the 1840s.	Featured Skill: key ideas and details CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.7, W.3, W.4, SL.1, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Article Video: Voices from the Famine Vocabulary Slideshow	Writing Planner: Causes of the Great Irish Famine Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Choice Board Video Discussion Questions Vocabulary: Definitions Quiz* Core Skills: Summarizing*, Text Features, Text Structure*, Nonfiction Elements	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Lower Lexile ✓ Spanish version ✓ Answer key
Debate , pp. 11-13 "Are Teens Too Young to Go Pro?"	Star athletes as young as 13 are playing professional sports. Is this a good idea? Students read arguments on both sides of the debate and take a stand.	Featured Skill: argument writing CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.4, R.6, R.8, W.1, W.4, W.5, SL.1, L.4, L.6	Audio: Article and vocabulary	Essay Kit Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Short Read , pp. 14-15 "Why Do We Like to Be Scared?"	In this bite-sized article, students explore the science of fear and why getting scared can sometimes be fun.	Featured Skill: constructed response CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.4, W.4, W.5, L.4, L.6	Audio: Article	The Short Write Kit Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz* Core Skill: Central Ideas and Details*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Paired Texts , pp. 16-21 "Is This Mountain Cursed?" and "Gold Fever"	A gripping work of nonfiction exploring the legend of Superstition Mountain is followed by an informational text about why humans are so obsessed with gold.	Featured Skill: synthesis CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, R.7, R.9, W.1, W.2, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Articles and vocabulary Video: Into the World of Gold	Writing Planner: The Lost Dutchman's Mine Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Choice Board Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz* Core Skill: Text Evidence*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Lower Lexile ✓ Answer key
Drama , pp. 22-27 <i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i>	Students will love performing this spine-tingling play based on the classic story by Robert Louis Stevenson. Perfect for Halloween!	Featured Skill: character CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.10, W.2, W.4, W.9, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.6	Audio: Vocabulary	Writing Planner: Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Theme Anticipation Guide Choice Board Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz* Core Skill: Inference	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Fiction In a Flash , pp. 28-29 "When It Rains"	After reading a heartwarming story about two brothers, students write a short response on character.	Featured Skill: character CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, W.2, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Story and vocabulary	Character Thinking Tool Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Choice Board	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
You Be the Editor , pp. 30-31 "Could Your Old Toys Be Worth a Fortune?"	Students hone their writing and revision skills while learning about the fascinating world of toy collecting.	Featured Skill: revision CCSS: R.1, W.5, L.3		Word Variation Linking Words	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Poem , p. 32 "I Grow a White Rose"	A thought-provoking poem by Cuban poet José Martí is presented in English and Spanish.	Featured Skill: analyzing poetry CCSS: R.10, W.4	Audio: Poem	Poetry Analysis	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech

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Where does gold come from? Find out in this fascinating video—perfect for use with this issue's paired texts.



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Scope's contests are a wonderful way to get your students excited about writing—and winners get awesome prizes!

Entries for contests from this issue must be received by **November 14, 2022**.

For details: scope.scholastic.com/contests

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