



A Text Set Extravaganza!

Dear teachers,

As you've probably discovered, *Scope* is much more than a print magazine. It also includes an extensive library of stories, plays, articles, and videos at Scope Online. To make this library more useful for you, we've created a series of Special Collections—multi-genre text sets centered on a theme or topic. Each collection comes with a set of essential questions. Here are three of my favorites for November:

- 1. Celebrate Native American Heritage:** From the riveting story of an Inupiaq teen trapping in the Arctic to an article about restoring the American buffalo to its ancestral habitats, this collection is a great way to celebrate Native American Heritage Month in your classroom.
- 2. Stories for Veterans Day:** Explore this robust text set featuring a range of stories and articles about military service members, their families, and wars past and present.
- 3. Gratitude:** How do we cultivate gratitude? How is gratitude expressed? This text set is perfect for the Thanksgiving season.

Be sure to explore the Special Collections, and tell me what you'd like us to create next!

Warmly,
Kristin



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Staff Picks

"'Rescue in the Rainforest' (pp. 4-10) is not only a thrilling story, it's also knowledge building and packed with powerful, evocative writing."
—Jane Nussbaum, *Executive Editor*



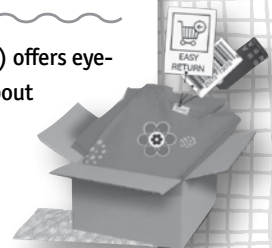
"What will life be like 100 years from now? This is the fascinating question explored in this issue's paired texts (pp. 11-15). This feature is sure to spark your students' imaginations!"

—Adee Braun, *Managing Editor*



"The debate (pp. 29-31) offers eye-opening information about the environmental cost of free returns. I'm so glad to bring this topic to our readers' attention."

—Jennifer Dignan, *Senior Editor*



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Your November 2022 Issue at a Glance

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Story	Summary	Skills and Standards**	Multimedia	Skill Building Activities	More Resources
Grammar , pp. 2-3 "Could These Lights Be Aliens?"	Students practice using <i>then</i> and <i>than</i> while learning about Texas's mysterious Marfa Lights.	Featured Skill: conventions of standard English CCSS: L.3	Video: Grammar Hack: <i>Then or Than?</i>	More practice with <i>then</i> and <i>than</i>	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Narrative Nonfiction , pp. 4-10 "Rescue in the Rainforest"	This moving nonfiction article takes readers on a journey to Costa Rica, where an incredible group of conservationists rescues sick, injured, and orphaned sloths.	Featured Skill: key ideas and details CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.7, W.2, W.4, SL.1, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Article and vocabulary Video: Behind the Scenes Slideshow: Background Builder	Writing Planner: Saving Sloths Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Choice Board Video Discussion Questions Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz* Core Skills: Summarizing*, Text Features, Text Structure*, Nonfiction Elements	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Lower Lexile ✓ Spanish version ✓ Answer key
Paired Texts , pp. 11-15 "Welcome to 2122!"	An informational text about what life could be like in 100 years is paired with a magazine article from the year 1900 predicting what life will be like in the 21st century. A poem follows both texts.	Featured Skill: synthesis CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, R.9, W.2, W.3, W.4, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Articles and vocabulary Slideshow: Vocabulary	Writing Planner: Welcome to 2122 Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Poetry Analysis Questions Choice Board Poetry One-Pager Vocabulary: Definitions Quiz* Core Skill: Text Evidence*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Drama , pp. 16-21 <i>The Mystery of the Stolen Jewel</i>	Students will love performing this exciting play featuring the iconic detective Sherlock Holmes.	Featured Skill: summarizing CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.7, R.9, R.10, W.2, W.4, W.9, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.6	Audio: Vocabulary	Writing Planner: Sherlock Holmes Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Choice Board Theme Anticipation Guide Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz* Core Skill: Inference	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Short Read , pp. 22-23 "The Secret Powers of Doodling"	In this bite-sized article, students explore how doodling can help us learn.	Featured Skill: constructed response CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.9, W.2, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Article and vocabulary	The Short Write Kit Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz* Core Skill: Central Ideas and Details*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Fiction , pp. 24-28 "How to Make S'mores" by Hena Khan	After moving from Pakistan to Maryland, Raniya is uncertain about her new life in America. Can a class trip help her see things differently?	Featured Skill: character CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, W.2, W.9, SL.1, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Story and vocabulary	Writing Planner: Raniya's Outlook Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Choice Board Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Debate: Scavenger Hunt , pp. 29-31 "Are Free Returns Out of Control?"	Americans are shopping online more than ever—and mailing back tons of unwanted items. All those returns are causing a big problem. How should it be solved?	Featured Skill: analyzing arguments CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, W.2, W.9, SL.1, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Debate and vocabulary Video: Background Builder	Scavenger Hunt* Essay Kit Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Contest , p. 32 "First-Line Fiction Contest"	Students choose one of three first lines by famous author Claribel A. Ortega and use it to write an original piece of fiction.	Featured Skill: narrative writing CCSS: W.3		Contest Checklist	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key

** Common Core Anchor Standards. For grade-level-specific Common Core standards as well as Texas State Standards, go to Scope Online.

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Author Read-Aloud

Hena Khan reads her story
“How to Make S’mores” to your
students. Many middle-schoolers will
connect to its themes of being new
and feeling lonely and unsure.



Behind the Scenes Video

Step into the rainforests of Costa
Rica as author Mackenzie Carro
takes you behind the scenes of her
feature nonfiction article.



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Background Builder

Our video about free returns is
the perfect companion to this
issue's debate.



Contest Deadline Alert!

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 **December 19, 2022**.

For details: scope.scholastic.com/contests

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