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### Dear teachers,

Welcome to your final issue of the school year! We've filled it with wonderful stories for those special end-of-year weeks—from a play about a legendary tornado scientist to a paired text on the history of breaking.

Here are a few things to keep in mind as the school year wraps up:

- Your subscription doesn't end when the school year does—digital access continues until July 31.
- We're planning fantastic stories and videos for next school year. Don't miss out! If you haven't renewed yet, see below.
- We'd love to visit your classroom—either virtually or in person.

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Thank you for making *Scope* part of your teaching life.

Wishing you a joyful summer!

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### Staff Picks

"It it OK to kill bugs? The debate (p. 10) is sure to make your students think twice before swatting that fly."

—Lauren Salisbury, Education Editor



"Get ready to meet your new favorite animal: the quokka (p. 2).

Students practice using *less* and *fewer* while

reading about this adorable marsupial."

—Jennifer Dignan, Senior Editor



"I'm fascinated by the paired texts (p. 13) about the history of breaking (aka breakdancing), and your students will be too!"

—Albert Amigo, Art Director



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next year—renew now.

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what comes with your issue!

# Your May 2024 Issue at a Glance

To get your online resources, you will need to register at [scope.scholastic.com](https://scope.scholastic.com).

Find your lesson plans at Scope Online!

Story	Summary	Skills and Standards**	Multimedia	Skill-Building Activities	More Resources
<b>Grammar</b> , pp. 2-3 "Saved by Selfies?"	Students practice using <i>less</i> and <i>fewer</i> while learning about the adorable quokka.	<b>Featured Skills:</b> grammar, usage, and mechanics CCSS: L.1	<b>Video:</b> Grammar Hack: <i>Less or Fewer?</i>	<b>Less or Fewer?:</b> Anchor Chart and Practice Activity <b>In-Magazine Activity:</b> Interactive Version	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Narrative Nonfiction</b> , pp. 4-9 "Lost Boy, Found"	This is the incredible true story of Salva Dut, who fled the civil war in Sudan at 11 years old and now works to bring fresh water to his people.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> key ideas and details CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.7, W.2, SL.1, SL.2	<b>Audio:</b> Article and vocabulary	<b>Featured Skill:</b> Key Ideas and Details <b>Close-Reading &amp; Critical-Thinking Questions</b> <b>Choice Board</b> <b>Vocabulary:</b> Definitions & Practice <b>Quiz*</b> <b>Core Skills:</b> Summarizing*, Text Features, Text Structure*, Nonfiction Elements	✓ Lesson plan and slide deck ✓ Lower Lexile ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Spanish version ✓ Answer key
<b>Debate: Essay Kit</b> , pp. 10-11 "Would You Squash This Bug?"	Is it OK to kill bugs? Students read arguments on both sides of the debate and take a stand.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> argument writing CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, R.8, W.1, SL.1, SL.4	<b>Audio:</b> Debate and vocabulary	<b>Essay Kit</b> <b>Vocabulary:</b> Definitions & Practice <b>Morphology Scavenger Hunt</b> <b>Anchor Charts:</b> Transitions & Argument Essay Checklist	✓ Lesson plan and slide deck ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Root Power</b> , p. 12 "Impossible Mountain"	Students learn about the root <i>vis</i> through a graphic-novel-style story.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> vocabulary acquisition CCSS: L.4	<b>Audio:</b> Story	<b>Root Power: vis</b>	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Paired Texts</b> , pp. 13-17 "The Amazing History of Breaking" and "Meet an Olympic B-Girl"	A fascinating article about the history of breaking (also known as breakdancing) is followed by an interview with Sunny Choi, one of the first American breakers to compete in the Olympics.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> synthesis CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, R.7, R.9, W.2, SL.1	<b>Audio:</b> Article, interview, and vocabulary <b>Video:</b> Beyond the Story	<b>Featured Skill:</b> Synthesis <b>Close-Reading &amp; Critical-Thinking Questions</b> <b>Choice Board</b> <b>Video Discussion Questions</b> <b>Vocabulary:</b> Definitions & Practice <b>Quiz*</b> <b>Core Skill:</b> Text Evidence*	✓ Lesson plan and slide deck ✓ Lower Lexile ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Drama</b> , pp. 18-24 <i>Storm Chaser</i>	This historical fiction play is based on the Super Outbreak of 1974 and the inspiring career of tornado expert Tetsuya Theodore "Ted" Fujita.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> key ideas and details CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, W.2, SL.1	<b>Audio:</b> Vocabulary <b>Slideshow:</b> Vocabulary	<b>Featured Skill:</b> Key Ideas and Details <b>Close-Reading &amp; Critical-Thinking Questions</b> <b>Choice Board</b> <b>Word Scales</b> <b>Vocabulary:</b> Definitions <b>Quiz*</b> <b>Core Skill:</b> Inference	✓ Lesson plan and slide deck ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Poem</b> , p. 25 "Birdfoot's Grampa"	Students analyze a poem by Joseph Bruchac about the value of all living things.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> analyzing poetry CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.4, W.4, W.5	<b>Audio:</b> Poem <b>Video:</b> Poetry Read-Aloud	<b>Poetry Analysis</b>	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Fiction In a Flash</b> , p. 26-27 "Into the Tunnel"	Two friends find themselves in a mysterious cave. The story is great for exploring characterization.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> character CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, W.3, SL.1	<b>Audio:</b> Story and vocabulary	<b>Featured Skill:</b> Character <b>Close-Reading &amp; Critical-Thinking Questions</b> <b>Vocabulary:</b> Definitions & Practice <b>Quiz*</b> <b>Choice Board</b>	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Short Read</b> , pp. 28-29 "When Ice Ruled the World"	This bite-sized article explores the fascinating history of ice.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> constructed response CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, W.2	<b>Audio:</b> Article and vocabulary	<b>The Short Write Kit</b> <b>Vocabulary:</b> Definitions & Practice <b>Quiz*</b> <b>Core Skill:</b> Central Ideas & Details*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Write Like a Pro</b> , pp. 30-31 "The Mystery of the Taos Hum"	This short article about a mysterious sound in Taos, New Mexico, provides a lesson in using dashes.	<b>Featured Skills:</b> grammar, usage, and mechanics CCSS: L.2	Print, project, or share digitally!	<b>Dashes:</b> Anchor Chart and Practice Activity <b>In-Magazine Activity:</b> Interactive Version	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
<b>Infographic</b> , p. 32 "The Scoop on Ice Cream"	A delightful infographic on ice cream.	<b>Featured Skill:</b> visual literacy CCSS: R.1, R.7, W.7		<b>Infographic Planner</b>	✓ 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.

\* Available on two levels

# What to Love This Month at Scope Online

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## SNEAK PEEK!

Get a preview of what you'll find in  
*Scope* next year.



## Paired Texts Video

Our Beyond the Story video  
dives into the fascinating history  
of breaking (also known as  
breakdancing).



## Special Collection: Our Digital Lives

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fiction stories explores the role of digital  
media in our lives.



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## Contest Deadline Alert!

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about writing—and winners get awesome prizes!

Entries for contests from this issue must be received by **June 17, 2024**.

For details: [scope.scholastic.com/contests](https://scope.scholastic.com/contests)

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