

The Week of October 6-10, 2014

This week we are reading *The Meyers Family* by Leonard S. Marcus

Spelling Words: Homophones

1. waist – I wear a belt around my waist.
2. waste – You should not waste water when you take a shower.
3. patience – It takes a lot of patience to wait for summer vacation.
4. patients – The doctor treated fifty patients at the hospital today.
5. rite – Graduation is a rite of passage we all must go through.
6. right – Should I turn right or left when I get to the corner?
7. write – On rainy days, I really love to write about sunny places.
8. muscle – I hurt an arm muscle when I tried to lift something too heavy.
9. mussel – A mussel is a kind very delicious kind of seafood.
10. principal – The teacher made me go see the principal in her office.
11. principle – Telling the truth is a principle we all should follow.
12. summary – I had to write a summary of the book on my WIRSF.
13. summery – We wore shorts and t-shirts to the beach on the summery day.
14. sight – That man lost his sight, and now he is blind.
15. site – I found a really good site on the Internet for learning about homophones.
16. cite – You should always cite where you found the information when writing a research report.
17. stationary – It is easier to hit a stationary target than a moving one.
18. stationery – I like shopping for pens at the stationery store.
19. coward – They all called the soldier a coward after he ran away during the battle.
20. cowered – The soldier cowered in fear before the ferocious monster.

Target Vocabulary Words:

1. predominantly (adv.) – mostly (i.e. The class is *predominantly* (mostly) girls.)
2. tendency (n.) – a quality that makes something likely to happen; a common way of behaving
3. welfare (n.) – health and safety
4. credit (n.) – recognition or special attention for doing something
5. aspect (n.) – a part (characteristic) of something; the way a person, place, or thing appears
6. aptly (adv.) – fittingly; appropriate; suitable
7. tension (n.) – pressure; stress
8. parallel (adj.) – very similar or happening at the same time
9. innovation (n.) – a new idea, gadget, or device
10. genuinely (adv.) – truly (not fake or false)

Essential Question: How can facts and opinions tell a true story?

Target Reading Skill: Fact and opinion

Target Reading Strategy: Summarize

Grammar Focus: Plural and possessive nouns

Read the sentences below, underline the nouns, and write if the nouns are singular, plural, singular possessive, or plural possessive.

1. The man took the dog's bone.
2. The people asked for their countries' flags.
3. The monkey ate the tree's fruit.
4. The women demanded their husbands' return.

Writing and Reading Response Activities:**Your Turn:**

Get Creative! Finish commercials for a new ACES Phone and present it to class.

Making Connections:

Write a Story! Write an imaginative story that explains what a food you don't like "really" is.