

| Lesson Guidance 19 | |
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| Grade | 6 |
| Unit | 2 |
| Selected Text(s) | When Stars Are Scattered Chapter 13 |
| Duration | 2-3 days |

Plan with guidance from the **ELA Instructional Expectations Guide**

Learning Goal(s)

What should students understand about today's selected text?

Explore the significance and weight of "waiting" and how waiting can be expressed

CCSS Alignment

RL.6.1 Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

RL 6.2 Determine a theme or central idea of a text and how it is conveyed through particular details; provide a summary of the text distinct from personal opinions or judgments.

W. 6.3 b Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, To develop experiences, events, and/or characters.

Or

A central idea in this chapter is the fact that waiting is part of a refugee's life. Omar says, "Everyone in this camp was waiting for something better."

Use this <u>Feelings and Options Organizer</u> from Harvard Thinking Routines, to respond to the following:

- Who: Who is involved/affected in this dilemma?
- Feel: What do you think each person is feeling about the dilemma?
- **Imagine:** What options do the people involved have in this dilemma?
- Say: What might those involved say or do in response to this dilemma?

End of lesson task

Formative assessment

Note: When responding, consider the characters in this chapter, but also consider the U.N., government agencies, congress, etc. in terms of laws, and processes for resettlement.

*Detailed directions can be found here.

Knowledge Check

What do students need to know in order to access the text?

Background Knowledge

- The resettlement process could take years, and some may never be resettled.
- U.S. Resettlement Process
- The Resettlement Gap- Few are Resettled



Key Terms

- Central Idea: the idea that unifies the point of an article or text
- Conflict: any form of struggle or opposition faced by a character

Vocabulary Words

Explicit Instruction (before reading)

- Orphan: a child whose parents are dead
- Disability a physical or mental condition that limits a person's movement, senses, or activities
- Interfere: prevent something from continuing

Implicit Instruction (while reading)

- Imagine: form a mental picture or concept of
- **Anxiety:** a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease, typically about an imminent event or something with an uncertain outcome
- **Jumpy**: anxious and uneasy

Core Instruction

Text-centered questions and ways students will engage with the text

Opening Activity

One of the challenges in the resettlement process is the wait. The process can be long and stressful. Have you ever had to wait for something that you really wanted? If so, you might be able to empathize with Omar as he waits for approval to be resettled in America.

Choose one of the **Quotes** on the slide. How would you explain the quote to Omar to give him hope despite the possible long wait to achieve his dream?

Think Pair Share

(ELD Support)

Explicit Vocabulary Instruction

- 1. Introduce each word with these student-friendly definitions.
 - a. Orphan: a child whose parents are dead
 - b. **Disability:** a physical or mental condition that limits a person's movement, senses, or activities
 - c. Interfere: prevent something from continuing
- 2. Model how each word can be used in a sentence.
 - a. The **orphans** were adopted into a wonderful family and had all of their needs met; they were happy.
 - b. The wheelchair bound woman's **disability** was being unable to walk.
 - c. The referee **interfered** with the first down and the play had to be reset.
- 3. Vocabulary slide deck here.
- 4. Active practice:
 - a. Would a 25 year-old man be considered an *orphan* if both of his parents died?
 - b. Would it be accurate to say that a *disability* does not need to get in the way of being successful?
 - c. Should you interfere in something that isn't your business? Why or why not?

(ELD Support)



Content Knowledge

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Teacher Note: It might be helpful to clarify that the learning goal mentions "weight." Weight in this context can be defined in the following way: "If a problem or responsibility weighs on you, it makes you worried or unhappy."

Shared Reading

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Omar thinks he might have done a "bad job" in the interview

- 1. Have you ever second guessed yourself with a decision or a response?
- 2. Explain what Jeri means by, "They say the people with really bad stories are the ones who get resettled." If this is correct, do you agree with this part of this part of the process?

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3. Omar begins to imagine life in America and believes that he could be in America by the end of the year. Do you think that it is beneficial for Omar to have these positive thoughts? Why?

Independent Reading

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4. How is the waiting beginning to affect Omar physically?

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- 5. Explain why Omar feels that Hassan is affected by the waiting.
- 6. How does the illustrator depict the burden of waiting for the reader in the last pane?

Partner Reread/Read; Discuss

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7. Discuss the various ways that refugees are waiting in the camp. Explain how you would feel and react to the "waiting."

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| Fluency, Comprehension and Writing Supports | |
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| Fluency | Practices and strategies to support fluency practice and a recommended passage |
| Sentence Comprehension | Juicy Sentence protocol. |
| Writing | Pattan Writing Scope and Sequence Suggested writing skills for this lesson: II. Content A. Connect ideas to a topic B. Write a series of related sentences and elaborate on ideas |

| Additional Supports | |
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| ELD Practices | Practices to promote Tier 1 access Think. Pair .Share. Graphic Organizer Frayer Model Graphic Organizer Character Map Graphic Organizer Interactive Story Map |
| SpEd Practice | Practices to promote Tier 1 access During opening activity, brainstorm ideas with students For some students it may be appropriate to allow them to dictate their responses For students who need additional support, pair with a peer mentor(s) who understand the task at hand and grasps the content Pre teach new and unfamiliar vocabulary by engaging students in an explicit vocabulary instruction routine Students can complete a vocabulary log or Word Study activity to increase understanding Prior to reading, model for students how to access information from the text Use the strategy Think Aloud |

