
Introduction

When a student can hold a book in her hand and read it, then she knows that she gets it! That feeling of reading success is something we want for all of our students. This book of 15 reproducible stories allows your young English language learners to practice the vital vocabulary they are learning in your classroom. Each simple 12-page story is based on a key educational theme that has been, or will be, introduced to your students. The word lists provided for each theme cover essential words that your ELL students must know in order to begin mastering the English language. The art in each story offers significant visual clues to help students determine word meaning from context. After each story, students complete a follow-up activity to further support and demonstrate their understanding of the learned vocabulary and concepts.

Perfect for whole class, small group, or individual instruction, the stories are flexible and can be used to introduce, support, or review a key educational theme. Since the 15 stories vary in the level of difficulty, from easier to medium to harder, as students become more comfortable with their new vocabulary, they can gradually build up their skills by progressing to stories with more new words and more complex sentence structures. Based on TESOL standards, high frequency and essential word lists, and nationally recognized key educational themes, this book will start your new readers on the path to reading with confidence and language learning.

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