

Wonders Reading

Grade 3

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Unit 4

Weeks 1-5



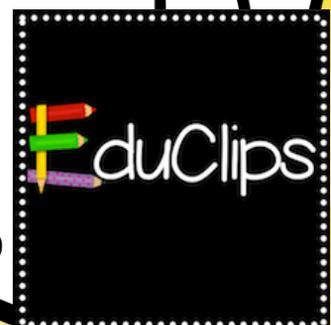
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These newsletters / study guides go along with the McGraw-Hill Wonders Reading Program for Grade 3. These were designed to be sent home each week so that parents are aware of what their child is learning each week in reading. They can also be used by the student as a quick reference to the information to study. The newsletters come in color and black and white.

Each newsletter / study guide includes the Essential Question, the Genre, the Comprehension Strategy, the Comprehension Skill, the Vocabulary Strategy, the Vocabulary words and the Spelling words. For each week.

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Folktale

Unit 4 Week 1
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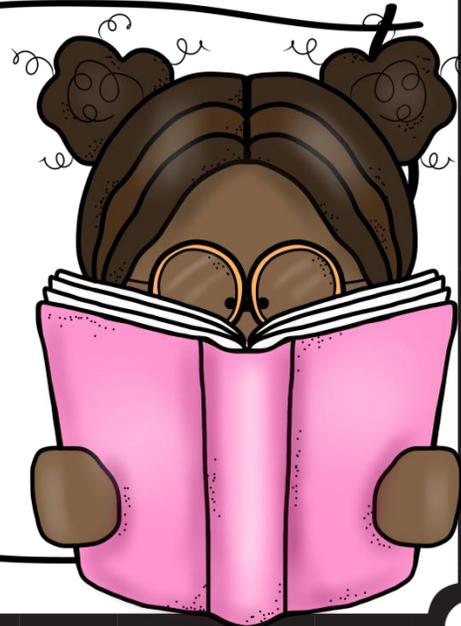
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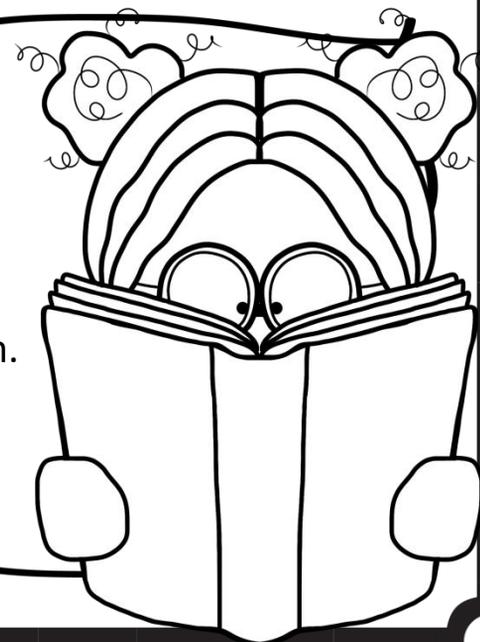
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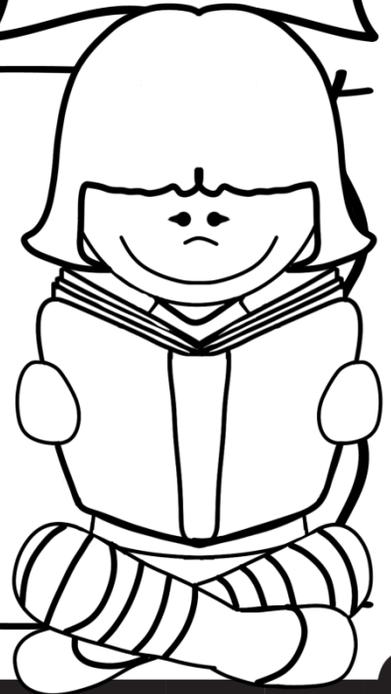
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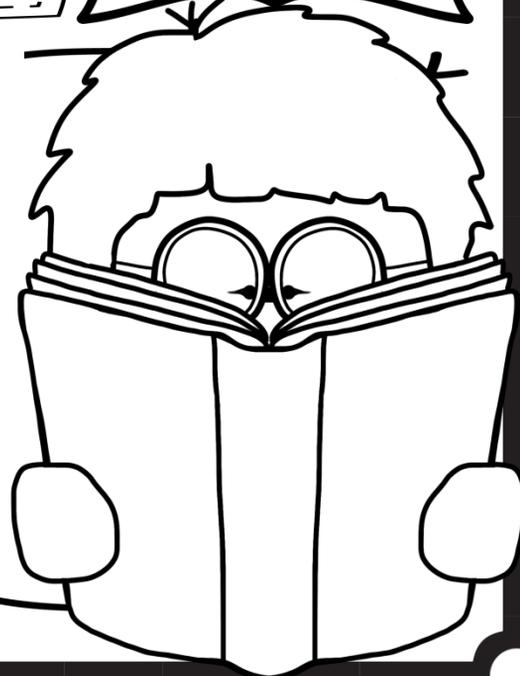
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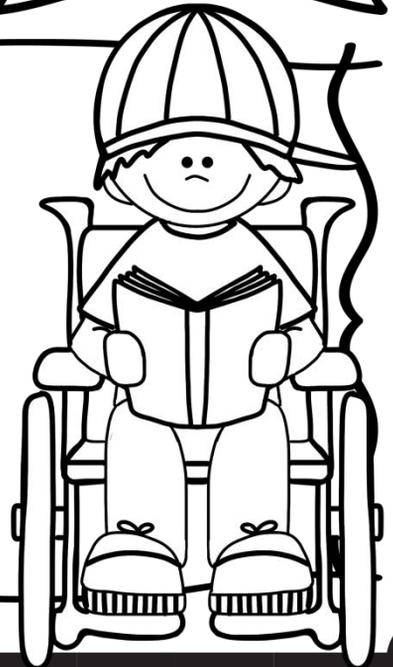
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