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Dear teachers,

You are all part of the *Scope* family, working together to help students engage, connect, and learn this year. As we've continued to refine our offerings and develop new resources, we've relied on you to let us know what's working, what can be improved, and what else you and your students need.

Here are three changes we've made, based on your feedback:

1

Our activity library, which includes evergreen activities, has been redesigned with color and interactivity.

2

We've added **write-on lines** to the printable versions of skill builders.

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Slide decks are now available for more features, including debates and fiction.

What else can we do to make your teaching experience easier and more joyful? Let me know via email at KELewis@scholastic.com. I hope to hear from you!

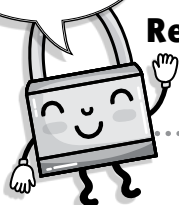
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Story	Summary	Skills and Standards**	Multimedia	Skill Building Activities	More Resources
Grammar , pp. 2-3 "Nature's Noisemakers"	Students practice using plurals and possessives while learning about several of the loudest animals on Earth.	Featured Skill: conventions of standard English CCSS: L.3	Video: Grammar Hack: Plurals and Possessives Video: Loudest Animal Sounds	More practice with plurals and possessives	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Narrative Nonfiction , pp. 4-9 "The Lost Ship"	This gripping World War II narrative tells the story of the sinking of the <i>Indianapolis</i> , the captain who was unfairly blamed, and the middle schooler who fought to clear his name.	Featured Skill: key ideas and details CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.7, W.2, SL.1, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Article and vocabulary Video: Behind the Scenes Background Builder	Preparing to Write: Plan Your Speech Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Nonfiction Elements* Video Discussion Questions Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz* Core Skills: Summarizing*, Text Features, Text Structure, Text Evidence*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Lower Lexile ✓ Spanish version ✓ Answer key
Paired Texts , pp. 10-13 "Sneaker Nation" and "Does He Have the Best Job Ever?"	A nonfiction article about the fascinating history of sneakers is paired with an interview with a sneaker designer.	Featured Skill: synthesis CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6, R.7, R.9, W.2, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Article and vocabulary Vocabulary Slideshow	Preparing to Write: Create a Sneaker Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Choice Board Quiz* Core Skill: Central Ideas and Details*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Drama , pp. 14-19 <i>Go!</i>	Students will have a new hero after reading this inspiring play about Olympic track star Wilma Rudolph.	Featured Skill: key ideas and details CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.5, R.7, R.10, W.2, W.9, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.6	Audio: Vocabulary Video: Wilma at the Olympics	Preparing to Write: Applying a Quote Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Literary Elements: Character Thinking Tool Choice Board Quiz*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Short Read , pp. 20-21 "The Day It Rained Meat"	This bite-sized nonfiction article explores the totally gross, totally true story of the Kentucky meat shower.	Featured Skill: constructed response CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.4, W.1, W.4, W.5, L.4, L.6	Audio: Article and vocabulary	The Short Write Kit Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Quiz*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Debate: Essay Kit , pp. 22-23 "Should We Get Rid of Paper Money?"	Is it time to get rid of cash? Students read arguments on both sides of the debate and take a stand.	Featured Skill: argument writing CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.6, R.8, W.1, W.4, W.5, W.7, SL.1, L.4, L.6	Audio: Article Podcast Background Builder	Essay Kit Quiz*	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Fiction , pp. 24-29 "Plan B"	This humorous work of science fiction by Rebecca Stead tells the story of a family with a very peculiar problem.	Featured Skill: narrative writing CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, W.3, W.5, W.9, SL.1, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Story and vocabulary	Preparing to Write: Plan Your Scene Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice Literary Elements: Character Thinking Tool Choice Board Quiz* Core Skill: Inference	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
You Be the Editor , pp. 30-31 "What Would You Name This Storm?"	Students hone their writing and revision skills while learning about auroras.	Featured Skills: editing and revising CCSS: R.1, W.5, L.3		Run-on Sentences Sentence Variation	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key ✓ Model text
Poem , p. 32 "When My Noisy Mind Quiets"	Students analyze the meaning of a beautiful poem by Georgia Heard.	Featured Skill: analyzing poetry CCSS: R.10, W.2	Audio: Poem	Poetry Analysis Writing Planner	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key

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Our podcasts are perfect for building engagement, knowledge, and listening-comprehension skills. Don't miss this issue's podcast all about the history of money.



Behind the Scenes

In this video, Kristin Lewis talks to your students about the research and writing process of this issue's nonfiction feature, "The Lost Ship."



New Collection: Technology and Me

Our new collection explores students' relationships with technology through a debate, a video, paired texts, and more.



Slide Decks

Have you tried our new slide decks yet? These student-facing versions of *Scope* lesson plans can be used for whole-group instruction or as remote-learning assignments. For a real treat, check out the slide deck for this issue's fiction, "Plan B."

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