



Stories of Empowerment

Dear Scope teachers,

As I write this, the *Scope* team is putting the final touches on the November issue. Throughout the process of creating it, I found myself returning to one word again and again: empowerment. From the kids who organized their own Black Lives Matter protest to the 13-year-old girl who summited Mount Everest to the newsies who fought their bosses in 1899 and won, this issue is packed with stories of empowerment.

In this year of such tremendous challenges, these stories remind me of a comforting truth: Humans are capable of greatness. And sometimes that greatness is as simple as having the courage to admit your mistakes and work to fix them, as Emma does in this issue's fiction, "Girl Can't Dance."

This knowledge fills me with hope—and I believe it will fill you and your students with hope too.

Thank you for everything that you do!

Warmly,
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Story	Summary	Skills and Standards**	Multimedia	Skill Building Activities	More Resources
Grammar , pp. 2-3 "Voting in the Wild"	Students practice using <i>number</i> and <i>amount</i> while learning about how certain animals "vote."	Featured Skill: conventions of standard English CCSS: L.3	Video: Grammar Hack: <i>Number and Amount</i>	More practice with <i>number</i> and <i>amount</i>	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text-to-speech ✓ Answer key
Narrative Nonfiction , pp. 4-9 "Out of the Death Zone"	This gripping nonfiction article tells the story of 13-year-old Poorna Malavath and her quest to climb Mount Everest.	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 Vocabulary Slideshow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing to Write: Climbing Mount Everest • Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions • Nonfiction Elements* • Choice Board • Quiz* • Core Skills: Summarizing*, Central Ideas and Details*, Text Features, Text Structure 	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text to speech ✓ Lower-Lexile ✓ Spanish version ✓ Answer key
Debate: Scavenger Hunt , pp. 10-11 "Should You Get to Vote?"	Sarah thinks that the voting age should be lowered. The mayor of her town disagrees. Who makes the better argument?	Featured Skill: analyzing arguments CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.4, R.6, R.8, W.1, W.4, W.5, SL.1, L.4, L.6	Audio: Debate and vocabulary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice • Scavenger Hunt* • Essay Kit 	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text to speech ✓ Answer key
Drama , pp. 12-17 <i>Newsies</i>	Students will love performing our exciting play inspired by the Newsboys Strike of 1899 in New York City.	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: In the Time of the Newsies Background Builder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing to Write: The Newsboys Strike of 1899 • Theme Anticipation Guide • Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions • Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice • Choice Board • Quiz* • Core Skill: Text Evidence* 	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text to speech ✓ Answer key
Short Read , pp. 18-19 "The Rise of the GIF"	This bite-sized nonfiction article explores GIFs and how they've changed the way we communicate.	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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Short Write Kit • Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice • Quiz* 	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text to speech ✓ Answer key
Fiction , pp. 20-24 "Girl Can't Dance"	In this humorous story by award-winning author Lisa Yee, a young girl learns an important lesson about fame and friendship.	Featured Skill: synthesis CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, W.2, W.9, SL.1, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Story Podcast	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing to Write: Fame's Sting • Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions • DIY Vocabulary • Literary Elements: Character Thinking Tool • Choice Board • Quiz* • Core Skill: Inference 	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text to speech ✓ Answer key
Paired Texts , pp. 25-31 "Making Our Voices Heard" and "How to Be a Changemaker"	A nonfiction article explores the Black Lives Matter protests and introduces students to important concepts including racism, systemic racism, and anti-racism. An informational text follows and provides tips for how to bring about change.	Featured Skill: synthesis CCSS: R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.7, R.9, W.2, SL.1, SL.2, L.4, L.5, L.6	Audio: Articles and vocabulary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing to Write: Making Our Voices Heard • Close-Reading & Critical-Thinking Questions • Vocabulary: Definitions & Practice • Choice Board • Quiz* 	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text to speech ✓ Answer key
Infographic , p. 32 "The Amazing Peacock Mantis Shrimp"	After analyzing our infographic about mantis shrimp, students write an essay arguing that the mantis shrimp should be their school's new mascot.	Featured Skills: interpreting visual text, supporting a claim CCSS: R.1, R.7, W.1		• Writing Planner	✓ Lesson plan ✓ Text to speech ✓ Answer key

** Common Core Anchor Standards. For grade-level-specific Common Core standards as well as Texas State Standards, go to Scope Online.

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