

THE SOLAR SYSTEM / WEATHER

Anchor Literature

Start-to-Finish novel
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Book Summary

Huck runs away from his home along the Mississippi River and joins up with Jim. Old Jim is a slave. Huck gets to know Jim and learns to respect him.

Author's Intention

Use humor to poke fun at racism and responsibility.

INSTRUCTIONAL ELEMENTS

English Language Arts Standards

- Answer “Why?” Questions
- Figuring Out Why
- Identify the Main Characters
- Identify the Meaning of Idioms
- Order of Events

- Problem-Solution
- Related Ideas
- Remember Details
- Summarization

Science Topics

The Mississippi River

Use a map to identify the Mississippi River and other bodies of water.

Rain | Learn about rainfall and collecting precipitation data.

Snow | fantastic facts about snow and snowflakes

Space Travel

Use a chart to find out how far away stars and planets are from the sun.

Storms | a comparison of storms on Earth and Jupiter

Water Cycle | Learn about rain and the water cycle.

Social Studies Topics

Mark Twain | a biography

Slavery | a timeline of slavery in the United States through the American Civil War

Text Types Taught

- Biography
- Chart
- Claims and Evidence
- Compare and Contrast
- Directions
- Fantastic Facts
- Map
- Timeline
- Two Text Types

Selected Sight Words

after, also, down, fast, house, it*, me*, night, remember, those, use, write
*AAC Core Vocabulary Words

Key Vocabulary Words (Content-specific)

abolitionists, adventure, Civil War, Confederate soldiers, drunk, flood, fog, gauge, hail, hurricane, lightning, precipitation, sediment, slave, snowflake, steamboat, tornado, tributaries, Union soldiers, Water Cycle, water vapor, weather, whiskey

Instructional Terms Taught

argue / argument, article, biography, chart, claim, compare, contrast, describe, directions, evidence, explore, fact, forecast, map, report, sidebar, temperature, timeline

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FUNCTIONAL LITERACY / LIFE SKILLS

Real Life Experience Activity

Daily Living Skills

- Caring for Personal Needs
- Buying, Preparing, and Consuming Food
- Utilizing Recreational Facilities and Engaging in Leisure
- Choosing and Accessing Transportation

Self-Determination and Interpersonal Skills

- Being Self-Aware
- Communicating with Others
- Good Decision Making
- Developing Social Awareness

Employment Skills

- Knowing and Exploring Employment Possibilities
- Exploring Employment Choices
- Exhibiting Appropriate Employment Skills

MATH

Math Domains

- Expressions & Equations
- Geometry
- Money
- Multiplication
- Statistics & Probability
- Time

Math Vocabulary Taught

after, bar graph, before, coins, data, different, dollar, during, equal, group, object, perimeter, side

