

Cluster 4, Module 4: Week 20

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4th Grade Weekly Pacing Guide | Ending, Significance, and the Full CREATURES ECR | Extended Constructed Response (ECR): Opinion

Essential Question: How do Ending and Significance complete a CREATURES argument and leave the reader with a meaningful Bluebird Moment?

Passages: "The Wealth of Mansa Musa" and "Four Regions, One Big Adventure" (Very High Stamina) **TEKS:** 4.11B(ii), 4.11B(iii), 4.11C(vi), 4.12C(i), 4.12C(ii); Editing: 4.11D (i), (xvii), (xxi) to (xxix)

ELPS: 4(F)(i), 4(C)(i), 4(D)(i), 4(E)(ii), 3(E), 3(G) | **Framework:** CREATURES

Strand	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
GRADUATE Lesson (15 min/day)	G R Gather + Reveal Distinguish an Ending from Significance and reveal how the full CREATURES path completes a case. TLP p. 187 Deck Slides	A Attempt Practice building E and S endings that leave the reader with a Bluebird Moment. TLP p. 187 Deck Slides	D U Discuss + Use Diagnose the full argument, then independently plan and draft a full ECR about Texas regions. TLP p. 188 Deck Slides	A T Award + Target Revise and edit the complete argument, recognize a strength, and set a next-letter target. TLP p. 189 Deck Slides	E Educate + Explain Teach the whole roadmap, explain the Bluebird Moment, and transfer the learning to final writing. TLP p. 190 Deck Slides
Reading Passage*	Read aloud the passage. DOT unfamiliar words. NOTICE/WONDER. Passage text (TLP p. 181)	Return to passage for guided practice. Mark key evidence. Passage text (TLP p. 181)	Reread passage for discussion and independent application. Passage text (TLP p. 181)	Reread for evidence: identify key details and connections. Passage text (TLP p. 181)	Apply passage evidence to the writing assignment. Exit ticket. Passage text (TLP p. 181)
Writing* (Student Workbook)	Gather + Reveal: I listen for whether a sentence is E: Ending or S: Significance Workbook p. 198	Attempt: BUILD THE FULL CREATURES CASE Workbook p. 201	Discuss + Use: I explain why my full case is coherent Workbook p. 206	Award + Target: I revise and edit my full CREATURES ECR Workbook p. 210	Explain/Educate: I teach the whole CREATURES roadmap Workbook p. 211
Standards Block (20 min: 4 Triplets)	Writing Wk 20 Triplet 1 Editing Wk 20 Triplet 1 Writing Slides Editing Slides	Writing Wk 20 Triplet 2 Editing Wk 20 Triplet 2 Writing Slides Editing Slides	Writing Wk 20 Triplet 3 Evidence Wk 20 Triplet 1 Writing Slides Evidence Slides	Writing Wk 20 Triplet 4 Evidence Wk 20 Triplet 2 Writing Slides Evidence Slides	Editing Wk 20 Triplet 3-4 Evidence Wk 20 Triplet 3-4 Editing Slides Evidence Slides
Writing Workout (optional)	Introduce thesis (central idea) building with the passage prompt. Check MATE	Practice thesis (central idea) with a second prompt. Check MATE	Select evidence from the passage to support a thesis (central idea). Evidence Detective	Main idea thinking levels with passage content. OnRAMP	DEEP FACTS explanation for the writing assignment. Explanation Station
Stations / Small Group (optional)	Set up station rotation for the week. Introduce four stations. Station Rotation Guide	Correct It station / Prove It station (rotation begins). Correct It Prove It	Shape It station / Create It station. Shape It Create It	Continue rotations. Teacher pulls small group for reteaching. Station Rotation Guide	Complete all stations. Finish drafts in stations if needed. Print All Four Stations
Assessment / Check the Learning (per district requirements)	Embedded Check: oral analysis during Gather + Reveal. TLP p. 187	Practice accuracy check: guided partner activity. TLP p. 187	Day 3 independent application with accuracy check. Cluster 4 Assessment	Identified strength, next step, and reflection recorded. TLP p. 189	Day 5 Exit Ticket + Module Writing Assignment. Cluster 4 Assessment WB p. 211
Home Connection	Send Family Letter home (English and Spanish). Introduce the week's focus. Conversation starters. Family Letter (TLP p. 158) Homework C4 M4		Family Activity: practice the week's skill at home with a real-world connection. TLP p. 159	Family Activity: discuss the passage topics. Connect learning to family experience. TLP p. 159 Homework C4 M4	

* Reading Passage and Student Workbook work happen within the 15 minutes of the GRADUATE Lesson.