

Format of Teacher's Guide

This guide is designed for use by grade levels 4-8. All activities and suggested lessons were developed with consideration of standards, grade-level performance indicators and current educational theory regarding curriculum, instruction and assessment. Content and specific lessons should be modified and adapted according to age and grade level, teacher style and learning objectives. The format and assessment of each activity will determine which standard is addressed. Use the standard matrix located in the appendix as a reference tool to record which standards are met while teaching this unit.

Vocabulary	Vocabulary: Opportunity to use dictionary, thesaurus and create a vocabulary journal
Fact and Details: Literal Meaning What's Going On: Reading Comprehension	Use these questions for group discussion, independent work, homework or chapter assessment
In Your Own Words	Journal Writing Application skills, personal thoughts, prior knowledge
Background and Additional Information	In this section you are provided with additional information related to the chapter or the exercises
Author's Notes	Insight from the author of "Ariadne and the Magic Thread"
Newspaper Activity	Demonstrate real-life application and relevance by providing a learning experience which relates to today's world... writing prompts, occupational studies, creative writing lessons
Multidisciplinary Connections	Additional ideas to connect and transfer skills and concepts across the disciplines
Skill Builders	Skills Grammar, punctuation, mechanical writing conventions
Resources	Web sites, Books and other resources to support your teaching
Standards Matrix	Standards-based lessons chart
Appendix	Prediction Chart Vocabulary Acquisition Model Portfolio Requirements Self-evaluation and Peer evaluation checklist Word Search Unit Assessment/ Pre- and Post- test