



Grade 2 Reading Unit 5 - Narrative Nonfiction

In this unit, your child will be immersed in narrative nonfiction texts. He/she will notice and enjoy the variety of writing styles that nonfiction writers can use.

The skills your child will develop in this unit are:

- Visualizing descriptive passages in nonfiction
- Using text features to understand, question, and interpret text
- Understanding what is important to an author
- Identifying the author's audience, purpose, and message
- Understanding the different types of nonfiction (expository and narrative)

Questions to ask as your child is reading at home:

- What has the author done to interest you in this topic?
- What strategies do you use to figure out what new vocabulary words mean?
- What powerful questions did you ask yourself while reading?
- What is the author trying to make you think about this topic?
- What did you like about the author's writing? How can you use his writing ideas in your own writing?

Books we may enjoy together during this unit:

- Big Blue Whale
- What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?
- Surprising Sharks
- Bat Loves The Night
- The Blue Whale

To support your child at home, find a book of interest that can help create dialogue to get him/her excited about reading! You could discuss author's purpose and ask for evidence directly from the text, including nonfiction text features, to help support those findings.