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THEME

Explore the problems faced by characters and real people, as well as the strategies used to solve them. This guide can easily be incorporated into a larger discussion of problem-solving strategies that students can use in their own lives.

CONVERSATION QUESTION

What strategies do characters use to solve their problems?

TEACHING OBJECTIVES

- Students will analyze how individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.
- Students will summarize key supporting details and ideas.
- Students will recognize the genre, key elements, and characteristics of literary texts.
- Students will obtain, evaluate, and communicate information.
- Students will analyze places, including their physical, cultural, and environmental characteristics.
- Students will conduct research projects.



In addition to supplemental materials focused on core English Language Arts skills, this flexible teaching tool offers vocabulary-building activities, questions for discussion, and cross-curricular activities.

SELECTIONS

- **Turtles Crossing**
Contemporary Realistic Fiction, 505L
- **Catching Frogs in the Clouds**
Expository Nonfiction, 705L
- **Peter's Wish**
Fairy Tale, 705L