Level 6A
Comprehension Resource Book

All directions and text on these worksheets are decodable. The skills and sight words needed for each title are listed inside each Decodable Reader.
The Shark

1. List three ways a shark differs from a fish.

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2. Why is the shark called the “perfect hunter”?

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3. Label the shark by using the words in the box.

  jaws   dorsal fin   gills   lateral line

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Excerpt from SPIRE Workbook 6, Item #2721
The Inventor of the Telephone

1. How did Bell’s family influence his interest in communicating?

2. Why do you think Bell did poorly in some subjects in school?

3. How did Bell’s grandfather make him interested in improving himself?

4. Bell went to Boston, Massachusetts to teach at a school for the deaf. How did this turn out to be a good move?
5. When Bell was working on transmitting sounds, what weakness did he have that made his work slow and difficult? How did he solve this problem?


6. Was Bell the only person at that time working on inventing the telephone? Explain.


7. How did Bell's life turn out? What kind of person would you say Bell was?


8. How was Bell honored when he passed away?


The Boy Who Thought Friends Had to Be Bought

1. Why do you think Dilbert’s mother and father gave him whatever he wanted?

2. How did having everything he wanted turn out to be a problem for Dilbert?

3. When did Dilbert first have a problem at school?

4. What happened after Dilbert gave a bribe to his classmates?

5. What happened to solve Dilbert’s problem?

6. What lesson did Dilbert learn?
The Statue of Liberty

1. How did the idea of the Statue of Liberty come about?

2. Who built the Statue of Liberty? How did the builder design the face of the statue?

3. What was the problem with constructing the actual full-scale model of the Statue of Liberty?

4. How was the statue sent to the United States?

5. What was the problem when the statue first arrived in the United States?

6. Why do you think the Statue of Liberty is important?
The City of Troy

1. Do we now believe that the city of Troy existed? How do we know? Was it ever discovered?

2. What were the people who lived in Troy called?

3. How many times was Troy rebuilt? How do we know?

4. What was the importance of the Trojan horse?
The Hawk

1. Discuss how the hawk is built for hunting.

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2. Where is the one place in the world where you will not find hawks?

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3. Name and describe the most common hawk in the United States.

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4. How long does it take for a baby hawk to grow up?

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Valley Forge

1. Who is this article about?

2. What is a volunteer? What was the problem with the members of the Continental Army?

3. Why did General Washington choose Valley Forge to camp?

4. Describe the hardships at Valley Forge.

5. How long were the troops at Valley Forge before things began to get better? How did they get better?

6. The Continental Army did finally claim victory over the British. What happened to General George Washington?
The Tomb of King Tut

1. When and where did Howard Carter make his discovery?

2. How do you think he felt at the beginning of the seventh try to find King Tut’s tomb?

3. When Howard reached the door at the end of the tunnel, what did he find?

4. Who was George Herbert?

5. Who was King Tut?

6. Describe what was found when they opened the huge stone container holding King Tut’s body.

7. Where are the artifacts found in King Tut’s tomb now kept?

8. How long did it take Howard Carter to finish his work?
1. What is the difference between a space probe and a spaceship?

2. Discuss the goals of Voyager 1 and Voyager 2.

3. What did the space probes discover about Jupiter?

4. What did the Voyagers find out about Saturn?

5. Where are the Voyagers now?

6. What messages do both space probes carry?

7. If the Voyagers reach another planet, will we know what they discover?
A Tale of King Midas

1. How did King Midas happen to meet Silenus?

2. What did Dionysus say when he appeared to thank King Midas for taking such good care of Silenus?

3. Why did King Midas wish for gold?

4. When did King Midas first discover his wish had caused a problem?

5. How was the wish broken?

6. How did the king’s life change?

7. What does it mean today if someone is described as having “the Midas touch”?