

Close Reading with Paired Texts

Level K



Engaging Lessons
to Improve
Comprehension

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SHELL EDUCATION

Stars

Look up in the night sky. What do you see? You can see the moon. You can see stars.

A star is a big ball of gas. The sun is a star. It gives us light. It gives us heat. You can see the sun in the day.

At night, you can see many other stars. Long ago, people used stars to travel. Stars helped them know where they were going.



Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

Traditional

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are.
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky.

Then the traveler in the dark,
Thanks you for your tiny spark.
He could not see which way to go,
If you did not twinkle so.



Work, Woof, Work

Your mom or dad goes to work. Do you know that some dogs work, too? Working dogs are usually big dogs like labradors or shepherds.



Some dogs work on farms as herd dogs. They help keep sheep and other animals together.

Other dogs can pull sleds.



Some dogs help the police. They are called K-9. Their good sense of smell can help the police.

Blind people can use dogs to help them get around safely.



Even though dogs can do many jobs, most dogs are pets. They have the hard work of being a pal. That is why dogs are called man's best friend!

Oh Where Has My Little Dog Gone?

Traditional

Oh where, oh where, has my little dog gone?

Oh where, oh where can he be?

With his ears cut short and his tail cut long,

Oh where, oh where can he be?



Trains

Trains help move people and things. Trains need tracks to roll on. There are train tracks all over the world. Trains can go to many places on the tracks.

An engineer drives the train in the engine. The back of a train is called the caboose.

Children like to play with train sets. They like to pretend they are driving real trains. Choo, choo!



Engine, Engine Number 9

Traditional

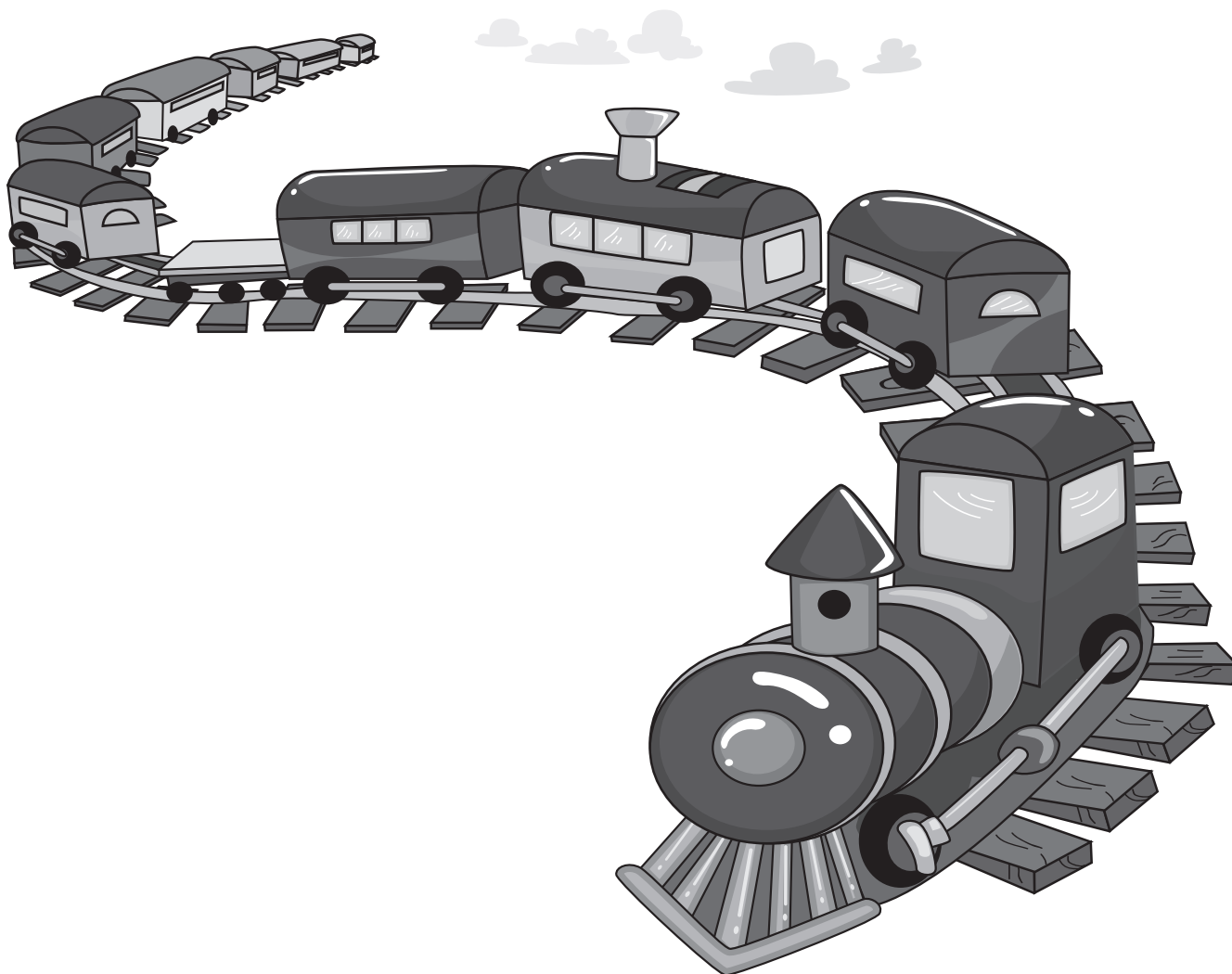
Engine, engine number 9

Going down Chicago Line.

If the train goes off the track,

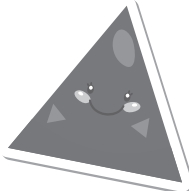



Will we get our money back?

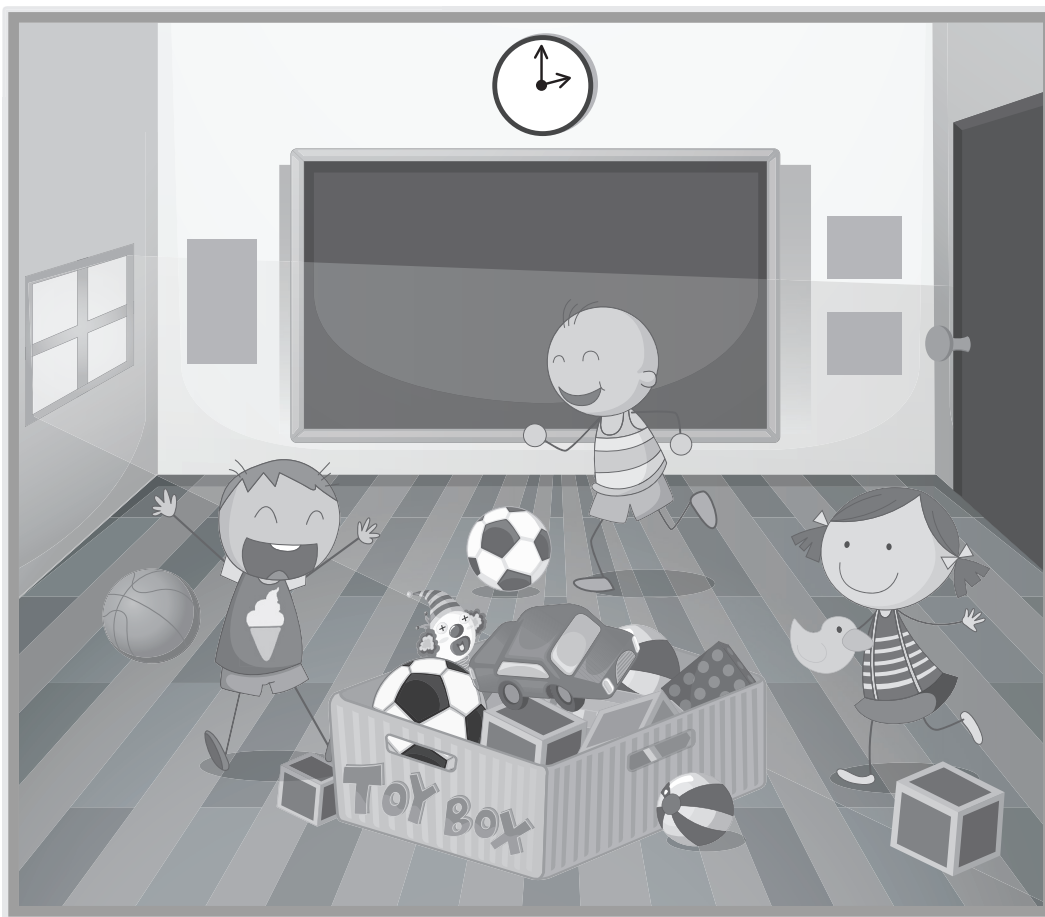
Yes, no? Maybe so!



Shapes Are Everywhere

Shapes are all around you. Take a look around your classroom. The table may be a square. The door may be a rectangle. The clock may be a circle. What shapes can you see?

 <p>A triangle has three sides and three corners.</p>	 <p>A circle is round. It has no sides and no corners.</p>
 <p>A square has four equal sides and four corners.</p>	 <p>A rectangle has four sides and four corners.</p>

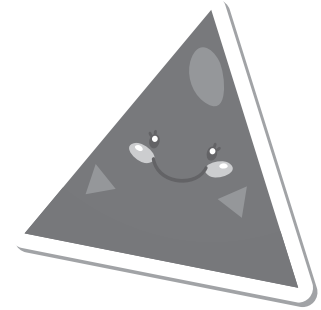


Shapes, Shapes

(sung to the tune of "Are You Sleeping?")



Squares and circles,
squares and circles,

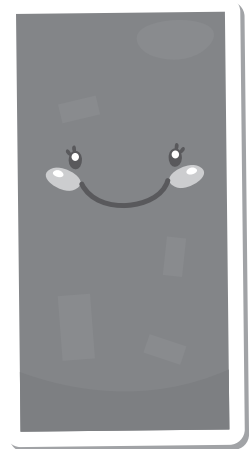
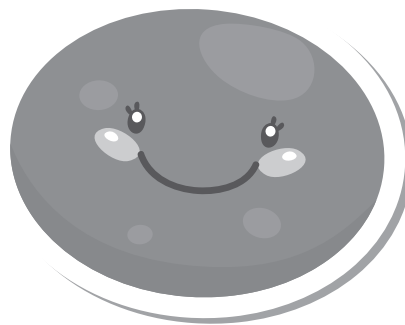
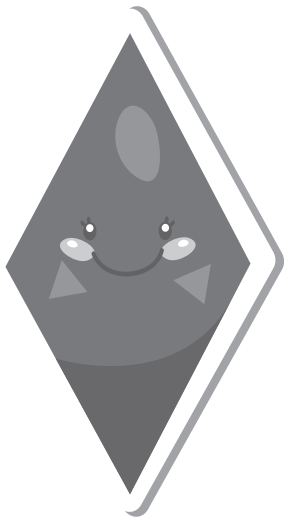


Triangles, triangles,

Rectangles and diamonds,

Rectangles and diamonds,

Crescent moons, ovals, too.



All Sorts of Bears

A teddy bear is a fun toy. It looks like a bear.

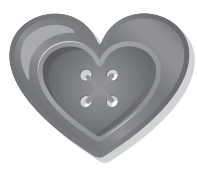
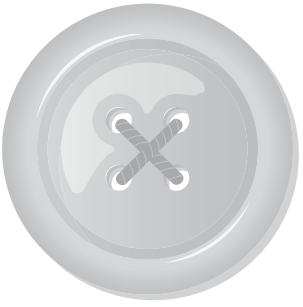
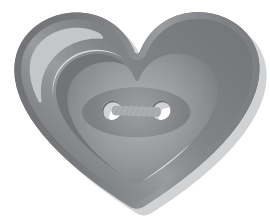
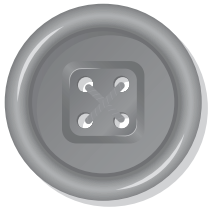
Teddy bears can be brown or black. They can be white or any other color. Teddy bears can be large or small. They can be soft or hard.

It is fun to play with a teddy bear. What does your teddy bear look like?



Buttons, Buttons

Yellow and red,
Green and brown,
Big and tiny,
Square and round;
Buttons, buttons,
Every kind,
But how did it look,
That lost button of mine?



A Number Line

A number line is a line with numbers on it. The numbers are in order. If you go to the right, the numbers get larger. If you go to the left, the numbers get smaller.

The arrow shows the line goes on and on. It means the numbers go on and on, even if you do not see them.

You can count on a number line!

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



I Caught a Fish Alive

Traditional

1, 2, 3, 4, 5,

Once I caught a fish alive.

6, 7, 8, 9, 10,

Then, I let it go again.

Why did you let it go?

Because it bit my finger so.

Which finger did it bite?

The little finger on the right.



Planting Strawberries

Strawberries are easy to grow.
They are good to eat.

They like to get a lot of sun. Pick
a place in the garden that is sunny.
Plant the strawberry plant in the soil.

Strawberry plants like lots of
water. Be sure to keep the soil damp.

Now, just wait. In no time, you
will have big and tasty berries. Yum!



My Garden

(sung to the tune of “Row, Row, Row Your Boat”)

Down, down on the ground,
There’s some dirt down there.
I will take a flower seed,
And I’ll plant it there.
The sun, sun, sun will shine,
And the rain will fall.
Flowers will begin to bloom
And grow straight and tall.



The Weather

By Miriam Myers

The weather is all around us. It can be sunny. It can be rainy.

Sometimes the weather is good. The sun is out. It is a beautiful day. It is a good day to play outside.

Sometimes the weather is not as good. It is cold or rainy outside. It is not a good day to go out and play.

But good weather or bad, there is nothing you can do about weather!



What's the Weather?



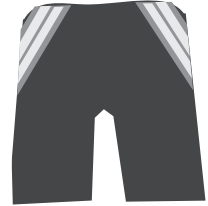
Today it is cloudy.

Mama says, "Get a sweater."



Today it is rainy.

Mama says, "A raincoat's better."



Today it is snowy.

Mama says, "Please wear your hood."

Today it is sunny.

Mama says, "Short pants are good."



Today it is windy.

Mama says, "Keep your cap tied."



Today it is chilly.

Mama says, "Just stay inside."



Sun Facts

The sun is a star. It looks small, but it is bigger than Earth. It looks small because it is so far away.

The sun helps us in many ways. The sun gives light. Plants need light to grow. The sun gives heat. The heat keeps Earth warm.

The sun works with Earth, too! They give us day and night. They give us the seasons.

Can you imagine living without the sun?



Here Comes the Sun

(sung to the tune of “The Itsy Bitsy Spider”)

The bright and yellow sunshine

Peeks out between the clouds.

It warms up the air

And warms up the ground.

Up stretches the plants

To catch the bright sun rays.

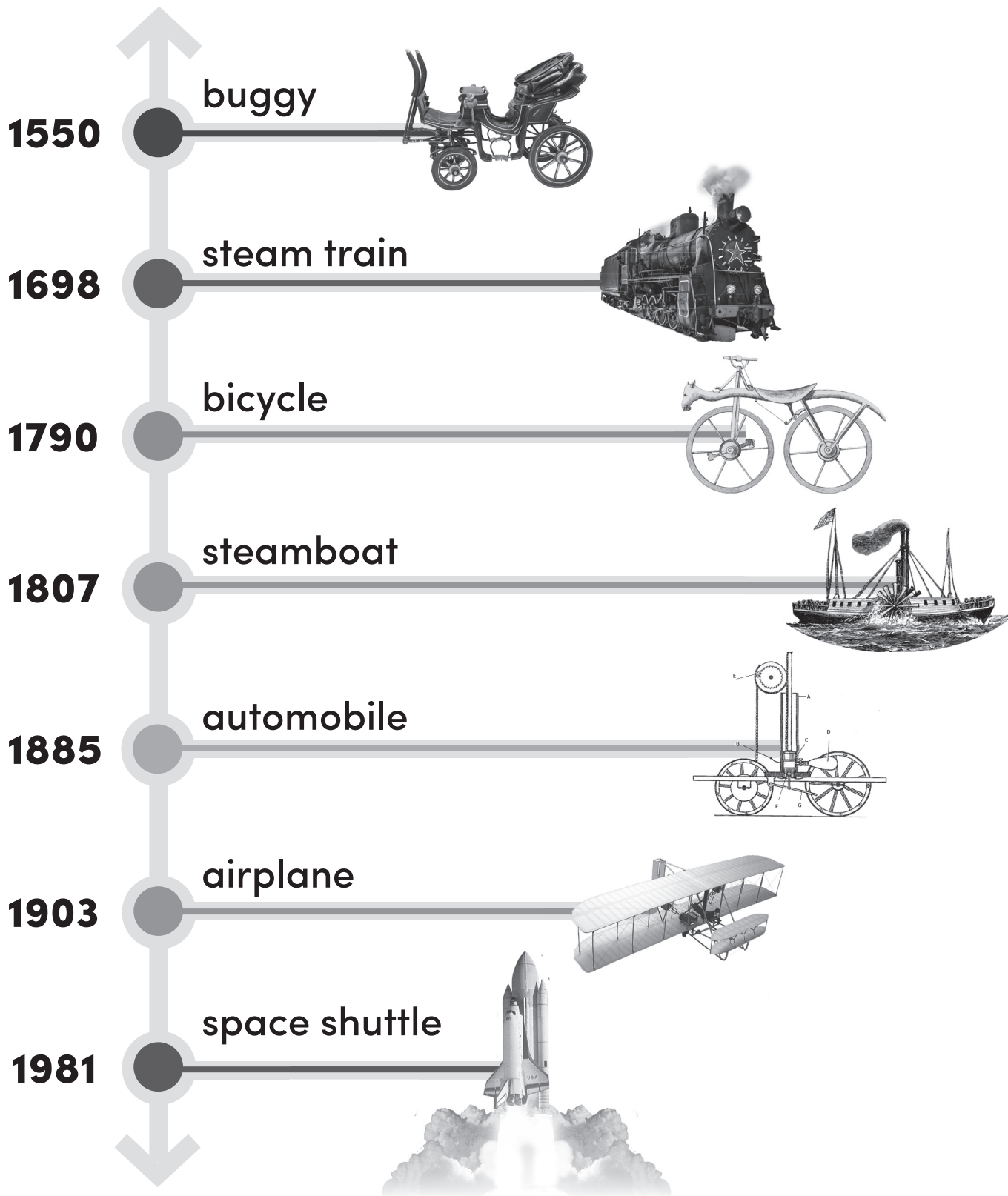
All the flowers seem to smile

When the sun comes out to play.



Travel Inventions

This is a transportation time line. It shows when each type of transportation was invented.



On the Go

We go by car.

We go by train.

We go by bike.

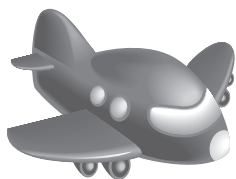
We go by plane.

We go by land.

We go by air.

We go until

We all get there.



What Makes a Family?

By Diana Kenney

Families are great. They may not all look the same. But the people all love one another.

Every family shares. They take care of one another. Families also share time. They eat meals together. They go on trips. They have fun.

Families are fun. They work together. They love one another.



My Family

My family has a mother
And it has a father, too.
It has a little sister
And a brother named Andrew.
It has a funny grandpa
And a grandma who is kind.
But what's best about my family
Is that it's mine, mine, mine!



Firefighters

Firefighters are very busy. They must be ready in case of emergency. They can be called day or night.

Firefighters help people. They put out fires. They rescue people.

Sometimes firefighters give tours of the station. They might even show how the sirens work!



Emergency!

Emergency! Emergency!
They're coming on the run.
Here come the firefighters.
They'll get the job done.

Emergency! Emergency!
Everyone make way.
Here come the firefighters,
And they will save the day!

