

STANDARDS-BASED DIFFERENTIATED ASSESSMENTS

R.4

R.5

R.6



INCLUDES
SELF-GRADING
DIGITAL FORMAT

Name: _____ Date: _____

The Land of Counterpane
adapted from the poem by Robert Louis Stevenson

When I was sick and lay in bed,
I had two pillows at my head,
And beside me, all my toys lay
To keep me happy all the day.

And sometimes for an hour or so
I watched my metal soldiers go,
With different uniforms and drills,
Between the blankets, through the hills;

Sometimes I sent my ships in fleets
All up and down within the sheets;
Or brought my trees and houses out,
And planted cities all about.

I was the giant great and still
That sits upon the pillow-hill,
And sees before him, on the plain,
The pleasant land of counterpane.*

*counterpane: quilt, cover, bedspread

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Answer these questions about The Land of Counterpane. R.4

Which of the following sentences would probably most match the point of view of the narrator?

Answer these questions about The Land of Counterpane. R.5

How many stanzas are in the poem? _____

Answer these questions about The Land of Counterpane. R.6

When the poet writes, "planted cities all about," what does he mean by planted?

a. put seeds down b. dug in the dirt
c. placed d. buried

In the verse, "I was the giant great and still," was he really a giant? What does the poet mean?

Without changing the meaning of the following verse, which word can be used instead of pleasant?

The pleasant land of counterpane

a. ugly b. gloomy

Among the bedclothes, through the hills,
And sometimes sent my ships in fleets
All up and down among the sheets,
Or brought my trees and houses out,
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The poem is written in (pick one) *

☐ first person point of view
☐ third person point of view

Which of the following is the best title for the poem?

☐ The Land of Counterpane
☐ The Giant Great and Still
☐ The Pleasant Land of Counterpane

DISCREETLY LEVELED WITH SYMBOLS:

◈ 2ND GRADE ▲ 3RD GRADE ● 4TH GRADE ■ 5TH GRADE

Name: _____ Date: _____

Pandora's Box

The Titan, Prometheus, disobeyed the king, Zeus. Zeus wanted men to be poor and dumb so the Mighty Ones would always be the greatest and smartest. But Prometheus did not listen. Instead, he helped men by showing them how to make fire so they could cook their food. He taught them how to build houses, and he helped them learn to farm. Prometheus also showed men how to make tools and protect themselves.

Zeus saw how wise the men in the world were, so he decided to punish Prometheus. He ordered his blacksmith to mold a woman from clay. The woman that the blacksmith made was as perfect as a statue. She was the first woman to ever be in the world. The Mighty Ones all gave her gifts: beauty, manners, and curiosity. They named her Pandora, which means all-gifted.

Zeus sent Pandora down to the world to be the wife of Epimetheus, Prometheus's younger brother. He sent her with a golden box, which he said she must never open. Prometheus had warned his brother not to accept any gifts from Zeus. However, Epimetheus forgot his warning when he saw how beautiful and smart Pandora was. Even Prometheus was amazed at Pandora's beauty.

Pandora liked her new home, but every day, she stared at the box, wondering what was inside. "Maybe there are jewels," she thought. "Why did Zeus give them to me if I can never wear them?" Pandora was so curious to see what was in the box. She tried to see inside without taking off the lid.

Then one day, she opened the lid just a little bit to peek inside. All of a sudden, thousands of creatures with dreadful faces came flying out. They all soared to different homes in the world. All of these creatures were greed, pain, diseases, and troubles. No one in the world had any sickness or worries before Pandora opened the box. Opening Pandora's Box ended the joy of mankind.

Opening Pandora's Box: when something seems small and harmless but it turns out to create many problems

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Answer these questions about Pandora's Box.

R4

What is the meaning of disobeyed?

- a. respected
- b. followed the rules
- c. broke the rules
- d. kept

Which word is a synonym for mold in this sentence?

Zeus ordered the blacksmith to mold a woman from clay.

- a. mildew
- b. shape and form
- c. inspire
- d. destroy

Write your own sentence with the word mold without changing the meaning from the sentence above.

Answers will vary.

Possibility: I will mold the clay into a bowl for my mom.

Which sentence in the second paragraph includes nonliteral (figurative) language? Copy it on the lines below.

The woman that the blacksmith made was as perfect as a statue.

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R4

What does the prefix of disobeyed mean?

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- b. not
- c. past
- d. in

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What is the simile in paragraph 2? What two things does it compare?

The woman that the blacksmith made was as perfect as a statue.

It compares the woman to a statue.

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4 LEVELS
OF EVERY
PASSAGE

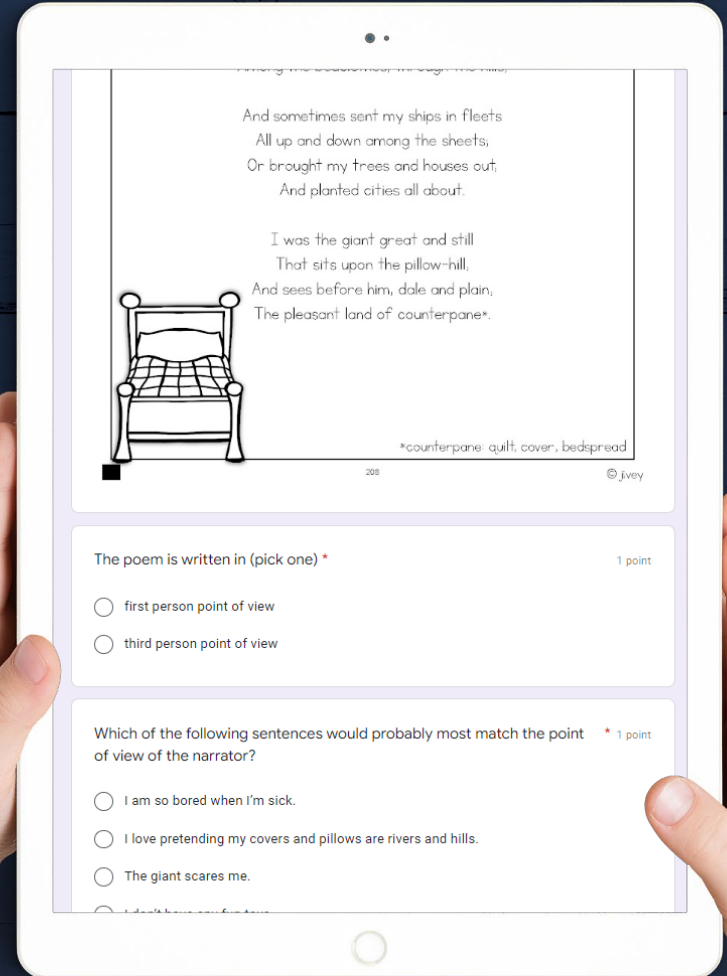
3 LEVELS
OF

QUESTIONS

QUESTIONS ARE ADJUSTED WHEN GRADE LEVEL
EXPECTATIONS ARE DIFFERENT FOR THE STANDARDS

WAYS TO USE THIS RESOURCE

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The poem is written in (pick one) * 1 point

☐ first person point of view

☐ third person point of view

Which of the following sentences would probably most match the point of view of the narrator? * 1 point

☐ I am so bored when I'm sick.

☐ I love pretending my covers and pillows are rivers and hills.

☐ The giant scares me.

☐ I don't know for sure.

MIX & MATCH IDEAS

Answer these questions about Pandora's Box.

R5

What caused Zeus to punish Prometheus?

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Answer these questions about The Land of Counterpane.

R6

The poem is written in (circle one)

first person point of view third person point of view

Which of the following sentences would probably most match the point of view

- a. I am so bored
- b. I love pretend
- c. The giant scar
- d. I don't have a

How does the nar is told?

Who is narrating

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Name: _____ Date: _____

The Nest

I love watching the bees fly from flower to flower in our yard while I play in my sandbox. My older sister always runs screaming when she sees them. She's so silly. Bees don't want to hurt us! Dad always says to me, "Son, I know you like looking at the bees. But, remember, they are protectors. You must respect them and leave them alone."

This morning, I was sitting in my sandbox. I was making tracks in the sand for my toy trucks. I looked up just in time to see some bees flying from Mom's rose bushes. They all went to the same tree. I climbed out of my sandbox and walked over to the tree to take a look. They were going into their funnel-shaped nest hanging from a branch. There was a hole at the bottom of the funnel. Bees were going in and out of the hole. I picked up a long stick. I pushed it in the hole to see if I could get any honey on it. It was just a tiny poke. The bees didn't like it one bit! Suddenly, a hundred bees were swarming around me. They were sticking me with their tiny daggers. Their buzzing sounded like a roar in my ears. I ran screaming, just like my older sister. I certainly learned my lesson!

Answer these questions about The Nest.

Fill in the blank: The story is told in _____ person point of view.

Who is telling the story? Describe the narrator using evidence from the story.

How does the narrator's point of view affect the story?

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ONE SHORT PASSAGE AND ONE LONG
PASSAGE TO ASSESS ONE STANDARD

ONE SHORT PASSAGE AND ONE
POEM TO ASSESS ONE STANDARD

MIX & MATCH IDEAS


ASSESS GRADE LEVEL
SKILLS WITH A
LOWER-LEVEL TEXT
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2nd grade level text

Answer these questions about The Nest. R6

Who is telling the story? Describe the narrator using details from the story.

Who can you relate _____

Why is paragraph 1 in _____

a. It presents the p _____

b. It shows how silly _____

c. It shows how the _____

d. It is the s _____

If the boy hadn't see _____

you think the next eve _____

Answer these questions about The Nest. R5

What caused the bees to sting?

Answer these questions about The Nest. R4

Which sentence shows a nonliteral (figurative) phrase?

a. There was a hole at the bottom of the funnel.

b. I picked up a long stick.

c. Their buzzing sounded like a roar in my ears.

d. I certainly learned my lesson!

Did the bees actually have daggers? What are the daggers in the story?

What is a synonym for swarming in the underlined sentence in the story?

a. flying close

b. stinging

c. heating up

d. spreading out

3rd grade level questions


ONE PASSAGE WITH ALL STANDARDS

MIX & MATCH IDEAS

PUSH YOUR
ADVANCED
READERS WHILE
STILL ASSESSING
GRADE LEVEL
SKILLS WITH A
HIGHER-LEVEL
TEXT

Name: _____ Date: _____

The Nest



I love watching the bees zip from flower to flower in our yard while I play in my sandbox. My older sister always runs screaming when she sees them. She's so ridiculous. Bees don't want to hurt us! Dad always says to me, "Son, I know you like admiring the bees, but remember, they are protectors. You must respect them and leave them alone."


This morning, I was sitting in my sandbox, making tracks in the sand for my toy trucks. I looked up just in time to see some bees flying from Mom's rose bushes. They all flew to the same tree. I clambered out of my sandbox and strolled over to the tree to take a look. Hanging from a branch was their funnel-shaped nest, and the bees were arriving and departing from a hole at the bottom. I picked up a long stick and pushed it in the hole to see if I could get any honey on it. It was just a tiny poke, but the bees didn't like it one bit! Suddenly, a hundred bees were swarming around me. They were sticking me with their tiny daggers. Their buzzing sounded like a roar in my ears. I ran screaming, just like my older sister. I certainly learned my lesson!

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5th grade level text

Name: _____ Date: _____

The Nest



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This morning, I was sitting in my sandbox, making tracks in the sand for my toy trucks. I looked up just in time to see some bees flying from Mom's rose bushes. They all flew to the same tree. I climbed out of my sandbox and strolled over to the tree to take a look. Hanging from a branch was their funnel-shaped nest, and they were going in and out through a hole at the bottom. I picked up a long stick. I pushed it in the hole to see if I could get any honey on it. It was just a tiny poke, but the bees didn't like it one bit! Suddenly, a hundred bees were swarming around me. They were sticking me with their tiny daggers. Their buzzing sounded like a roar in my ears. I ran screaming, just like my older sister. I certainly learned my lesson!

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Answer these questions about The Nest. R6

Fill in the blank:
The story is told in _____ person point of view.

Who is telling the story? R5
evidence from the text: _____

How does the author use figurative language? R4

Answer these questions about The Nest. R5

What caused the bees to sting?

Why is paragraph 2 important?
a. It presents the problem.
b. It shows the bees are dangerous.
c. It shows the boy is brave.
d. It presents the solution.

If the boy had not been so curious, what might have happened?

Which phrase shows figurative language?
a. They are protectors.
b. It was just a tiny poke.
c. Their buzzing sounded like a roar in my ears.
d. I certainly learned my lesson!

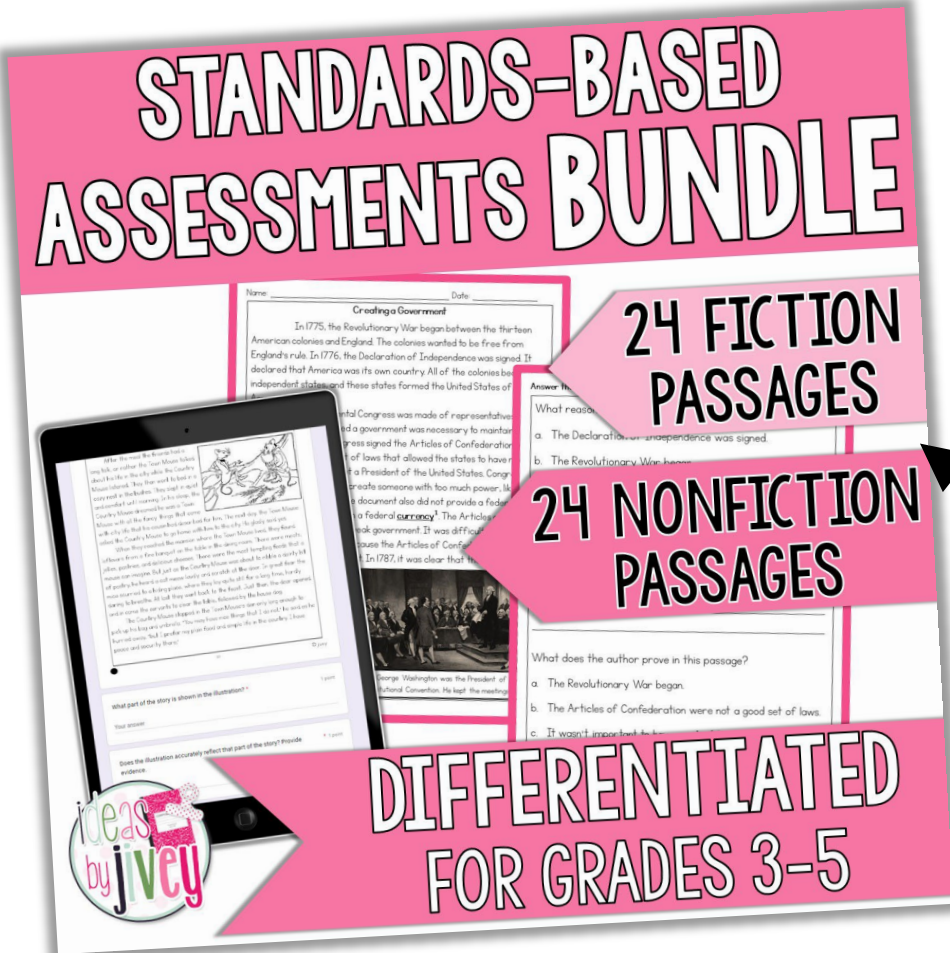
What did the boy do in this story to "open Pandora's box"?

What is a synonym for swarming in the underlined sentence in the story?
a. flying close
b. stinging
c. heating up

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4th grade level questions

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Miss Nguyen, 3rd Grade Teacher

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Amanda N., 3rd Grade Teacher

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Thank you!

Emmalee P., 3rd / 4th / 5th Grade Teacher

I loved this resource because it provided me with **useful data** and the students were **fully engaged**. There were multiple levels making **differentiation** a breeze.

Maureen L., 4th Grade Teacher