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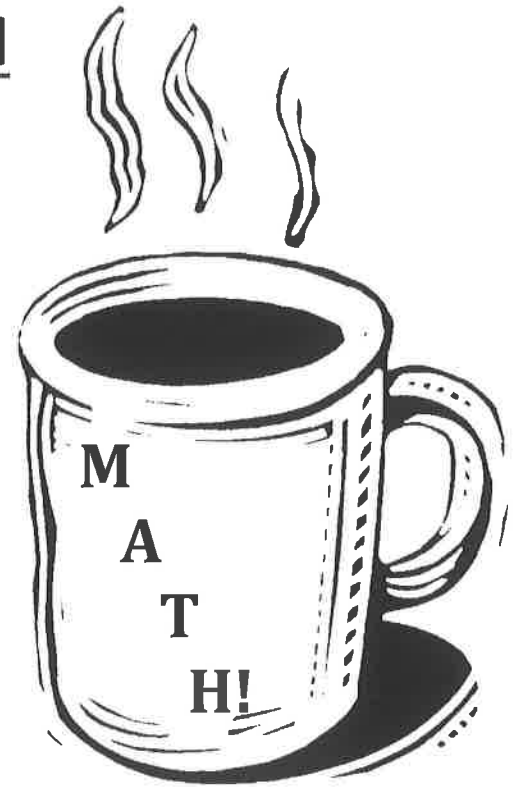
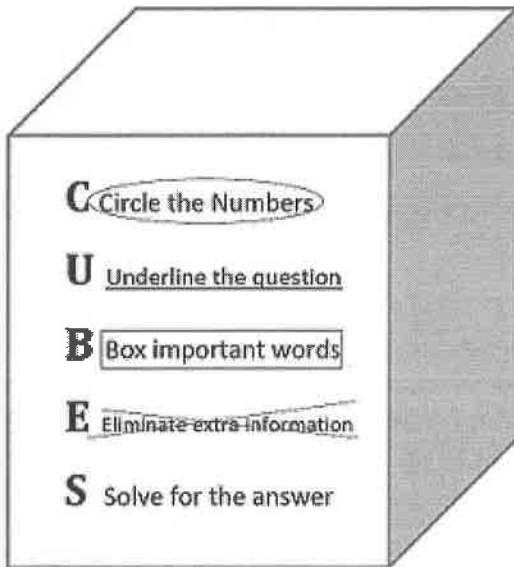
DECEMBER Week 1: 12/1-12/5

READING MATH

WARM-UPS

Trouble solving word problems?

Try using CUBES



DAILY TO-DO LIST:

1. Agenda BEFORE YOU BEGIN
2. Learning Target
3. Answer the Bell Ringer
4. Word Problem of the Day (USING C.U.B.E.S.)
5. Daily Paragraph Edit (D.P.E.)
6. Literacy Strand
7. Silent Reading Time
8. Word of the Day (completed together as a class)

*Keep this packet in your Reading Folder. You will need it with you DAILY to be prepared for class. Every Friday we will turn in the packet and complete a quiz over the word of the day and Math skill.

Learning Target: Copy down the learning target for today's lesson. When class is finished, rate your overall understanding of the day's skill and lesson. Please ask any questions you still have next to your target rating.

MONDAY: _____



TUESDAY: _____



WEDNESDAY: _____



THURSDAY: _____





BELLRINGER QUESTIONS: Every answer should be in a complete sentence with your best handwriting.

MONDAY:

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Literacy Strand –2014 –

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Grading Code

U=you need to underline something in the text

S=needs to be a complete, grammatically correct sentence (not a fragment and not a run-on)

G=grammar problem such as not capitalizing first word or not placing a period at the end

W=reword to make your answer make sense

P=plagiarism (no more than 5 words in a row the exact same as the paragraph. Copying words from the task in order to rephrase it is fine).

C=your answer needs to have a stronger connection to what the text says

Q=you did not really answer what the question (or task) was asking

R=you need to rephrase the task in your answer

M=needs more explanation or more detail

X=your answer is inaccurate or basically wrong (reread the text carefully)

Classic Holiday Performances – December – 2014

□ **Monday – “The Nutcracker”** – The Nutcracker” Ballet was written in the 1890's when many famous ballets were being performed. “The Nutcracker” story is based on the book, “The Nutcracker and the Mouse King” about Clara, her brother Fritz, and Clara’s dream about her toy nutcracker’s battle with the Mouse King. Russian composer Peter Tchaikovsky wrote the music for the ballet during the 1890’s, and this ballet is often performed during the December holiday season. Some of the most popular songs are: “The Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairies”, “The Arabian Dance,” and “Dance of the Flowers.” The Sugar Plum Fairy’s dance with the Prince is probably the most famous pas de deux (dance for two) in ballet.”

<http://dance.about.com/od/adultdancers/p/Nutcracker.htm>

In one sentence, explain who wrote the music for “The Nutcracker” ballet, and what dance is the most famous in all of ballet?

Tuesday – “The Messiah” is an oratorio composed in 1741 by George Frederic Handel. It relies on words from the King James Bible and the Book of Common Prayer. Handel wrote this magnificent piece in just 24 days. Many feel as though the swift genius of the work as well as its ability to inspire and lift the spirits of the audience are proof of divine [Godly] inspiration. At the end of his manuscript, Handel wrote the letters “SDG”—*Soli Deo Gloria*, “To God alone the glory”. The “Hallelujah Chorus” is the most dramatic moment in the oratorio. King George was so moved upon hearing it that he stood in awe and gratitude. Audiences have stood during the singing of the “Hallelujah Chorus” ever since. Clearly, “The Messiah” is one of the best known and frequently performed musical compositions, and is often performed in December – although originally, it was intended more for an Easter audience, when Christian tradition claims that Christ rose from the dead – “Hallelujah”!

In one sentence, explain why audiences stand during the singing of “The Hallelujah Chorus”.

Wednesday: “The Gift of the Magi” - This short story by O’Henry is often read during December; themes surrounding Christmas gift-giving fuel the narrative. A poor couple try to buy their spouse a special present. The husband, Jim, sells his watch to be able to buy his wife exquisite hair combs, and the wife, Della, cuts off her hair to be able to buy her husband a gold chain for his pocket watch. O’Henry, known for his ironic, or surprising endings, ends the story as Jim and Della realize they had sacrificed in a way that made their gifts to each other unusable. Even so, their laughter at this irony and their steadfast love for each other allow readers to feel depth of their love. The last line of the story is a Biblical allusion to the Magi, or wise men, who brought their most precious treasures to the infant Jesus. O’Henry writes, “Of all who give gifts these two were the wisest...Everywhere they are wisest. They are the magi.” A theme of this story is that even though one lives in poverty, sacrifices can be made out of love, and gifts from the heart and love for one another are the most appreciated gifts of all.

http://www.loulit.org/audio/magi/pages_01

In one sentence, state a theme of O’Henry’s story, “The Gift of the Magi”.

Thursday – “It’s a Wonderful Life” – “This is director Frank Capra’s classic bittersweet comedy/drama about George Bailey (James Stewart), the eternally-in-debt banker in the typical American small town of Bedford Falls. As the film opens, it’s Christmas Eve, 1946, and George, who has long considered himself a failure, faces financial ruin and arrest and is seriously contemplating suicide.” An angel is sent to show George what the world would have missed if he had not been born. By seeing the good impact he had made on the lives of so many people, George is inspired to embrace joy, and in so doing he is helped out of his financial troubles by neighbors and friends. It is one of the most highly acclaimed dramas of all time. http://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/1010792-its_a_wonderful_life/

In one sentence, explain how the angel helped George.

More Than A Bucket and Sponge

A car wash in Surrey, England, doesn't give just an ordinary wash. Using costly Brazilian waxes, purified water, and imported towels, the enterprise caters to famous entertainers and pro sports stars. The car wash owner charges 4,800 British pounds for his exclusive 61-stage wash.

If a British pound is worth \$1.86, how much is a car wash in U.S. dollars?

Show your work here:

COMPUTE OR SIMPLIFY — USE A FORMULA — MAKE A PICTURE, DRAW A DIAGRAM — USE LOGICAL REASONING

MAKE A TABLE, LIST, OR CHART — GUESS AND CHECK — BRAINSTORM — FIND A PATTERN — WORK BACKWARDS

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Decimals

Go Figure!

Big Fish

A man fishing in Lake Erie near Erie, Pennsylvania, speared that state's record carp while bow fishing. The fish was 49 inches long and weighed 54 pounds, 4 ounces.

To the nearest thousandth of a pound, how many pounds per inch is that?

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Decimals

Go Figure!

Marathon Toddler

A four-year-old Indian boy set a track record for his age when he ran an average of 5.7143 miles per hour for seven hours. He ran nonstop and would have continued to run, but doctors stopped him fearing exhaustion might set in.

How far did he run? (Round to the nearest whole number.)

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Decimals

Go Figure!

The Big Chill

A Briton set a record in May, 2006 when he swam 1.2 kilometers in the bone-chilling waters of a Norwegian glacial fjord. It took him 24 minutes to accomplish the swim.

Since a kilometer is .625 miles, how long would it have taken him (at his current rate) to swim one mile?

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Go Figure!

Pandora's Mysterious Box

When Pandora was created by the gods and goddesses of Mount Olympus each one gave her a special gift they blessed her with beauty wisdom and happiness. When they had finished bestowing their gifts? The gods agreed that he was almost perfect.

"Wait a goddess said. There is another gift she must have. If she has no interest in learning about all on earth Pandora will be bored." The goddess therefore also gave her curiosity.



- names of places
- dialog



MONDAY

WEEK 12

Before Pandora left the house of the gods she was given a chest that was tied and locked. Jupiter cautioned her, "Whatever happens, do not open the chest. Keep it locked forever. The contents will bring great unhappiness to the world."

On Earth, Pandora was loved and admired by everyone. Her laughter and song charmed the birds and animals in the forests. She chose a handsome partner, Epimetheus, as her husband. They lived a happy life dancing, singing, and celebrating with their friends.



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TUESDAY

WEEK 12

Name _____

For a long time the chest sat undisturbed in a corner of Pandora's house when visitors came to call they commented on the beautiful carvings. That decorated the lid. Many asked to look inside the chest but Pandora explained that they were a gift from the gods that was never to be opened unfortunately, that only prompted an even greater interest in some of the visitors.

"A gift from the gods?" asked one. Then of course it must hold great magic or priceless jewels. No chest should be closed for ever.

WEDNESDAY

WEEK 12



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One quick look inside this beautiful gift from the gods would surely do no harm, insisted another visitor. "No one would ever need to know. Even the gods themselves would not learn of it."

No matter how much her guests pleaded Pandora refused to follow their suggestions that she disobey Jupiter's instructions. As time went by however curiosity about the contents of the mysterious chest began to take hold of Pandora. Pandora soon found herself wondering about the chest morning noon and night

THURSDAY

WEEK 12



- dialog



Word of the Day: K.I.M. Charts

K ey Word: Poinsettia	I nformation/Definition:	M emory Clue: (picture)
Use the word in a sentence.		
K ey Word: Advent	I nformation/Definition:	M emory Clue: (picture)
Use the word in a sentence.		
K ey Word: Carol	I nformation/Definition:	M emory Clue: (picture)
Use the word in a sentence.		
K ey Word: Yuletide	I nformation/Definition:	M emory Clue: (picture)
Use the word in a sentence.		

