

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ HOUR: \_\_\_\_\_ DUE FRIDAY!

January Week 1: 1/5-1/9

READING

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DAILY TO-DO LIST:

1. Agenda
2. Learning Target
3. Bell Ringer
4. Daily Paragraph Edit (D.P.E.)
5. Literacy Strand
6. Read Silently
7. 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.

**Learning Target:** Copy the learning target for today's lesson. Rate your understanding after each day's lesson. Also write any questions you may still have.

**MONDAY:** \_\_\_\_\_

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- 1 - I don't understand.
- 2 - I have a lot of questions still.
- 3 - I have a few questions.
- 4 - I understand.
- 5 - I could teach this!

**TUESDAY:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**WEDNESDAY:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**THURSDAY:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

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**Literacy Strands - New Year Traditions – December 2014 - Week 3**

**Monday – New Year Traditions** – In America, people ring in the New Year in various ways. Many people attend New Year's parties, wear silly hats, blow horns, and toast each other as the clock strikes midnight and the New Year officially begins. Many people kiss a loved one just after the clock strikes twelve. Others sing the traditional song, "Auld Lang Syne", countdown to midnight as they watch the crystal ball drop from Times Square, and make New Year's resolutions.

**In one sentence, name three traditions associated with celebrating the New Year.**

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**Tuesday – New Year Traditions** – "Auld Lang Syne" is sung by millions on New Year's Eve. The lyrics were written in 1788 by Scottish poet Robert Burns. The phrase Auld Lang Syne literally translates to mean: "Old Long Since," or more commonly - "long, long ago" or "days gone by."

"Should old acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind? Should old acquaintance be forgot, and auld lang syne? For auld lang syne, my dear, for auld lang syne; we'll take a cup of kindness yet, for auld lang syne." [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2009/12/31/auld-lang-syne-lyrics-wor\\_n\\_408106.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2009/12/31/auld-lang-syne-lyrics-wor_n_408106.html)

**In one sentence, infer why "Auld Lang Syne" is sung by millions on New Year's Eve.**

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**Wednesday: New Year Traditions** – Many superstitions surround New Year celebrations. It is thought to bring good luck and good financial fortune to eat black-eyed peas on New Year's Day. Also, making noise and merriment at the stroke of midnight is a way to scare off the Devil, or Old Scratch, and his minions. You are to open the door to let Old Scratch out just before midnight, and then close the door quickly as the New Year begins to keep him out. You are to wear something new on New Year's Day to symbolize a new beginning, and babies born on this day are supposed to have luck throughout their lives.

**In one sentence, list three superstitions observed on New Year's Day.**

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**Thursday – New Year Traditions:** Many people make a list of New Year's Resolutions, or pledges, which they intend to keep to make themselves healthier, happier, and or more organized. Unfortunately, many New Year's resolutions are broken or ignored by the time February rolls around. Many people make resolutions to lose weight, to spend less time playing on-line games, to save more money, to pray more often, to quit smoking, or to stop drinking too much alcohol. If a person is serious about keeping a New Year's resolution, it is often helpful to have an "accountability partner", or someone who will call or text you often to encourage you to keep your resolution.

**In one sentence, write down two resolutions you might make this New Year's Day.**

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**Literacy Strands - Derivation of the Months of the Year**

**Monday** – The names of our calendar months often come from mythology. For instance, the name “January” comes from the Roman God Janus, the God of gates and doorways (depicted by two-faced God who faces both backwards and forwards). February comes from the Roman festival of forgiveness of sins, and March from the Roman God of War (Mars). Many consider January to be the most dismal of months, but others see it as a chance for new beginnings. Others consider it a time to write thank you notes for Christmas presents, to stock up on firewood, and to get ready for the blanket of winter.

In one sentence, infer why January might be named after a two-faced God who faced both backwards and forwards.

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**Tuesday** – The name April comes from the Latin word *aperire*, which means open (April is the month during which flowering plants bud open), May is derived from the Roman Goddess Maia, the Goddess of growth, and June comes from the Roman God Juno, the queen of the Gods. British writer Geoffrey Chaucer once said, “April is the cruelest month” because we have a tease of spring, but often a harsh late frost comes and destroys the early blooming buds. April also means “showers that bring May flowers.”

In one sentence, explain why May is named after the Goddess Maia.

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**Wednesday** – The derivation of the name “July” comes from the Roman leader Julius Caesar who reorganized the calendar. “August” comes from Augustus Caesar, another Roman leader; and the name “September” comes from the Latin word “Septem” which means 7, since September is the 7<sup>th</sup> month from March, which used to be the start of the calendar year until Julius Caesar changed the calendar year to begin with January. For many people, July, August, and September mean family cookouts, parades, family reunions, and the preparation for the start of another school year.

**In one sentence, infer why Julius Caesar would name a month after himself.**

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**Thursday** – The month of “October” comes from the Latin word “Octo”, which means “8”, for the 8<sup>th</sup> month from March, which used to be the beginning of the calendar year. Thus, “November” comes from the Latin word “Novem”, which means “9”, for the 9<sup>th</sup> month from March, and finally, “December” from the Latin word “Decem”, which means “10” for the tenth month from March. If someone is in the Autumn of their lives, they are said to be entering into their middle years – ages 40 – 60; whereas, the when someone is said to be in the “Winter of their lives”, they have entered into the final decades of life for most people – ages 70-100! In the fall, leaves turn wonderful colors and dance in the wind, the air turns brisk, and the anticipation of the Holiday season begins.

**In one sentence, write the name for “ten years” that also has the Latin root “Deca”, meaning “ten”.**

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**WORD OF THE DAY**

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Date: Jan 5-9

<p align="center"><b>Description</b></p> <p>Explain what this word means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>firmness of mind or purpose; the answer to a problem</b></li> </ul> <p>Part of speech: <b>noun</b> Pronunciation:</p>	<p align="center"><b>Connections</b></p> <p>Synonyms:</p> <p>Life experience: or Example : (does not have to use word)</p>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; margin: 0 auto;"><b>Resolution</b></div>	
<p align="center"><b>Context</b></p> <p>Word used within a correct contextualized sentence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Many people make a New Year's resolution to lose weight in January, but the resolution is broken by February.</b></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>Illustration</b></p>

<p align="center"><b>Description</b></p> <p>Explain what this word means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>enforced isolation of people or animals that may have been exposed to a contagious or infectious disease.</b></li> </ul> <p>Part of speech: noun Pronunciation:</p>	<p align="center"><b>Connections</b></p> <p>Synonyms:</p> <p>Life experience: or Example : (does not have to use word)</p>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block; margin: 0 auto;"><b>quarantine</b></div>	
<p align="center"><b>Context</b></p> <p>Word used within a correct contextualized sentence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>During the polio epidemic in the 1940's and 1950's, local health departments would often put a yellow sign on doors to indicate when a family was quarantined so no one would enter or leave the home</b></li> </ul>	<p align="center"><b>Illustration</b></p>



<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Description</b></p> <p>Explain what this word means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <u>present everywhere at once, or seeming to be everywhere.</u></li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Connections</b></p> <p>Synonyms:</p> <p>Life experience: or Example :</p>
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**ubiquitous**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Context</b></p> <p>Word used within a correct contextualized sentence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>On April 15, the day all citizens must file the taxes they owe to the United States government, long lines are ubiquitous at any post office in the nation.</b></li> </ul>	
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Description</b></p> <p>Explain what this word means:</p> <p>a sudden, almost intuitive understanding or insight;</p>	
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**Epiphany**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Context</b></p> <p>Word used within a correct contextualized sentence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>At the end of every 9 weeks, some students have the frightening epiphany that they really should have done their homework and studied for their tests.</b></li> </ul>	
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