

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Perspectives in Literature

Our literature curriculum builds 6th grade reading comprehension by providing students with grade-level-appropriate selections that represent different genres, cultural backgrounds, and life experiences. To provide opportunities for biblical thinking, each unit is centered on a biblical worldview shaping theme. By following the Reading Process Approach within the textbook, students will develop the reading strategies and literary skills they need to comprehend, analyze, evaluate, and respond to each selection.

How will the text build reading comprehension?

The curriculum will teach students to use reading strategies that help them gain more from their reading. Students will complete close readings, predict what might happen in a story, and more. After reading, students will find reading comprehension questions prompting them to analyze and evaluate what they read.

What genres will 6th graders read from?

- **Fiction:** realistic fiction, humorous fiction, allegory, historical fiction, fantasy, science fiction, social novel, and mystery
- **Traditional stories:** myth, folktale, tall tale, legend, and fable
- **Nonfiction:** informational text, autobiography, biography, narrative nonfiction, Biblical epistle, Bible account, memoir, and humorous essay
- **Poetry:** free verse poetry, biblical poetry, rhymed poetry, haiku, hymn, and narrative poetry
- **Other:** speech and play

Features

- An essential question for each unit
- A Big Question for each selection
- Before Reading segments that introduce the Big Question, the genre, author's craft, reader's craft, and any necessary background information
- During Reading questions that prompt students to use reading strategies
- After Reading questions that require students to analyze and evaluate selections

