

Theme 4:

# Amazing Animals



Selection 3:

Title: The Great Ball Game

Retold by: Joseph Bruchac

Illustrator: Susan L. Roth



Dial Books

Genre:

# Folktale



(A story from an oral tradition that may be a blend of history and legend)

# Comprehension Strategy:

First, the wolf blew down the straw house. Next he blew down the twig house. Then he...

## Summarize

to tell, in your own words, what happened so far in the story.



# Comprehension Skill:

## Cause and Effect

Cause  
and Effect



When one event causes another event to happen. The **cause** is telling why it happens. The **effect** is telling what happens.

# Comprehension Skill Review:

Information Skills:

Using Directions

Phonics:

Vowel Pairs *oa, ow*

Phonics review:

Words with *nd, nt, mp, ng, nk*

# Word Work:

## Spelling Focus:

### More Long o Spellings

#### Basic:

boat

gold

hold

cold

old

most

road

load

toe

blow

snow

do

Review:

so

show

Challenge:

goal

rainbow

# Key Vocabulary:

**accept**- agree to

**advantage**- something that gives a benefit; something helpful

**argument**- a disagreement

**guarded**- protected; took care of

**penalty**- a punishment for breaking the rules

**quarrel**- a disagreement

## Other Vocabulary:

**jeered**- made fun of

**pity**- feeling for the troubles of others

**horizon**- the point where earth or water seems to meet the sky

**dim**- not bright; only a little light

## Vocabulary Skills:

**Dictionary:**

**Parts of a Dictionary Entry**

## High-Frequency Words:

ago

half

field

war

## High-Frequency Review:

across

more

behind

most

during

once

great

soon

Grammar Skills:

**Plural Possessive Nouns**

Writing:

**A News Article; Adding Details**

I ♥ Reading Books: 45-46

Phonics Library: *Crow's Plan*

*Brent Skunk Sings*

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