

# Aloe Vera's Special Gift

By Jeanette Gil



29 pages & 12 activities  
KINDNESS, SELF-ESTEEM  
HELPING THOSE IN NEED

# WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THIS RESOURCE:

Intended Audience: 4-8

Digital Integration: The digital world is where education is heading. Teachers are expected to incorporate digital components into their classrooms. This resource has it covered! With interactive activities, writing prompts for students to type their responses, and the ability for the teacher to assign the pages of the resource to his/her students and review/grade their submitted assignments makes this resource is even more valuable.

SEL Components: Teaching to the WHOLE child and not just focusing on academics is critical. Life lessons, character traits, and essential social-emotional learning virtues are woven within this resource. Some of the SEL concepts explored in this book include gratitude, friendship, and helping others in need.

Standards-Based: No matter what state you teach in, the activities and lessons in this resource are standards-based. Just SOME of the standards that are covered are:

Predicting

Story Concepts

Theme

Self-Reflection

Sequencing

Vocabulary

Writing Prompts

Providing Text Evidence

Summarizing

Art / Creative Opportunities



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# Predicting

What do you predict (think) the book  
Aloe Vera's Special Gift  
is going to be about?



# Theme / Message

Write what you think the theme or message of the story is below.





# Story Concepts

Characters:

Setting:

Problem:

Favorite Part:

Solution:



# Summarizing

In your own words,  
write a couple of  
sentences from the  
beginning, the middle, and  
the end of the story.  
Put it all together, and  
you will have the  
summary of the story.

Beginning:

**B**

Middle:

**M**

End:

**E**





SPRING



WINTER

Directions: Cut out the story cards and glue them in the order they happened in the story on the "Sequence of Events" page.

# Sequence of Events

Cut out the picture cards and glue them in the order they happened in the story.

1

2

3

4

5

6

If you could ask the author, Jeanette Gil, one question, what would it be and why?

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# Sequencing of Events

1.



2.



3.



4.



WINTER

5.



SPRING

6.



# YOU ARE IMPORTANT

Aloe felt very important after being able to help everyone.  
In the word "YOU" below or anywhere around it, list some reasons or  
draw pictures of why YOU are important!

YOU



# HOW DID ALOE HELP?

Fill in the following chart with how Aloe helped each of the animals.



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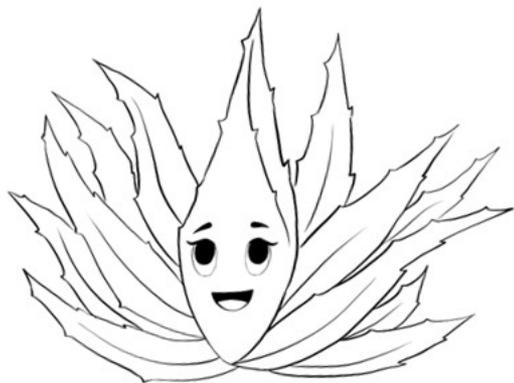
		
<p>Aloe helped Bunny by giving him gel for his hurt paw.</p>	<p>Aloe's gel helped Robin's face, which was sunburned and stinging.</p>	<p>Aloe's gel helped Squirrel when he rubbed against itchy plants and was itching everywhere.</p>



# FUN FACTS ABOUT ALOE VERA

1. Aloe Vera's Healing Gel: Aloe Vera gel is not only great for your skin but can also be added to drinks like smoothies for a health boost!
2. Ancient Use: People have used Aloe Vera for over 4,000 years.
3. Aloe Loves Sunlight: Aloe Vera loves the sun! Make sure it gets at least 6 hours of sunlight each day to grow strong and healthy.
4. Watering Aloe Vera: Aloe Vera is a succulent, meaning it doesn't need much water. Allow the soil to dry completely before watering it again. About once every two weeks is best.
5. Aloe Vera's Lifespan: Aloe Vera can live for many years and grow tall, sometimes reaching three feet if cared for properly.
6. Aloe Vera Leaves: The leaves on an Aloe Vera plant look pointy and tough, but inside they are filled with a clear, jelly-like substance.
7. More about Aloe Gel: The gel is about 95% water, which helps keep the plant cool and moist in hot places.
8. Baby Plants: Aloe Vera plants make baby plants, called "pups," that grow around the base. You can separate them and grow a whole new plant!

# FUN FACTS BOOKLET



ALOE GEL

SUNLIGHT

BABY PLANTS

ALOE VERA LIFESPAN

Directions: Using the FUN FACTS ABOUT ALOE VERA PAGE, make a foldable about what you learned. The foldable template is on the next page.

Pick four of your favorite facts and write them on your foldable.

1. First, you will cut out the foldable around the perimeter.
2. Next, you will cut the SOLID lines and STOP at the dotted line.
3. You will decorate the top of the foldable and write the topics on the flaps. (See example)
4. Next, you will glue the TOP part (above the dotted line) down in your journal or on a separate sheet of paper.
5. Finally, you will write each fun fact underneath the flap with its matching topic.

# FUN FACTS BOOKLET

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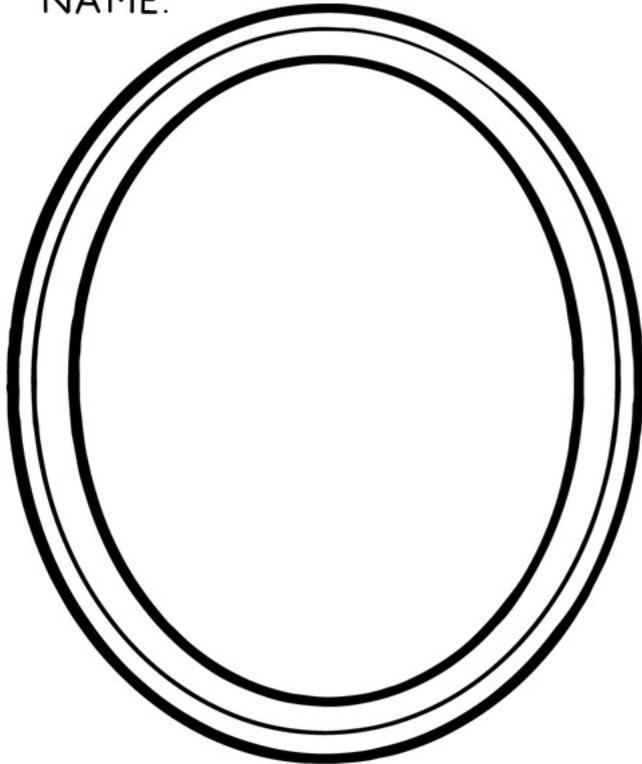


# GRATITUDE

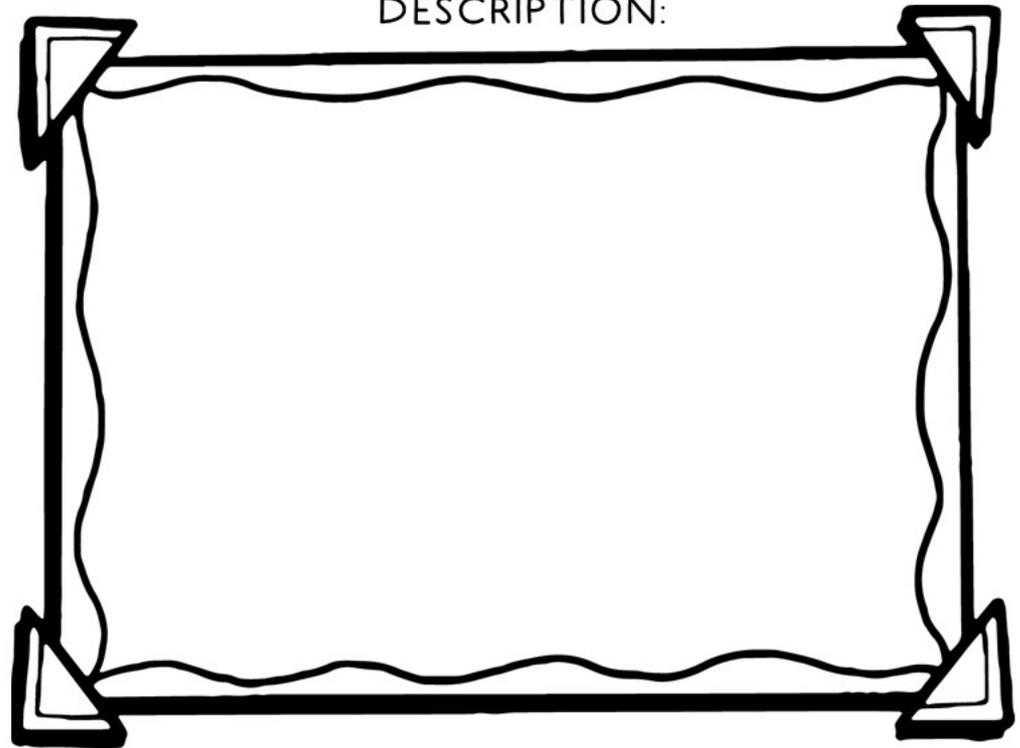
All the animals expressed gratitude and thanked Aloe for helping them.

Is there someone in your life you'd like to thank for doing something special for you? Draw a picture of this person and label the picture with their name. Next, write a short description explaining what he/she did that you want to thank them for. On the next page, you will get the opportunity to make a thank-you card for them.

NAME:

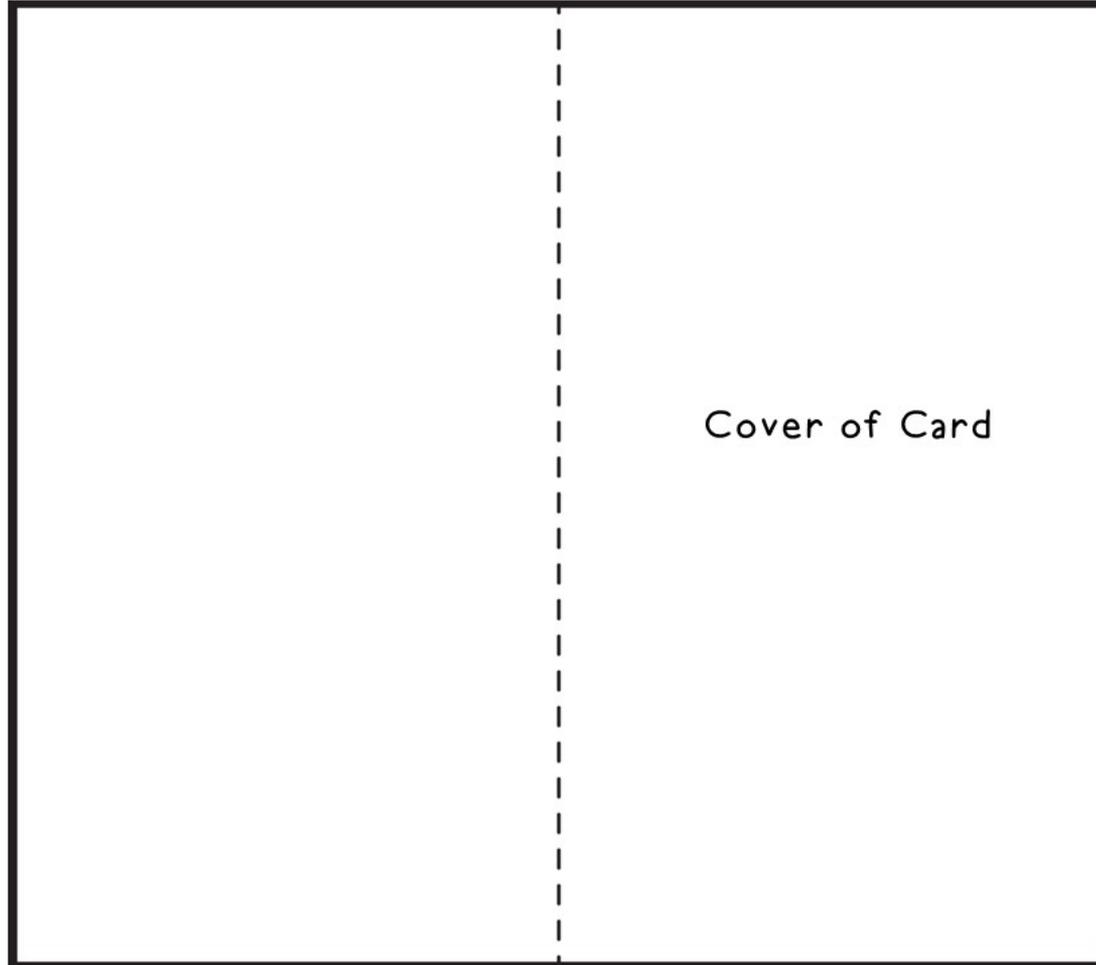


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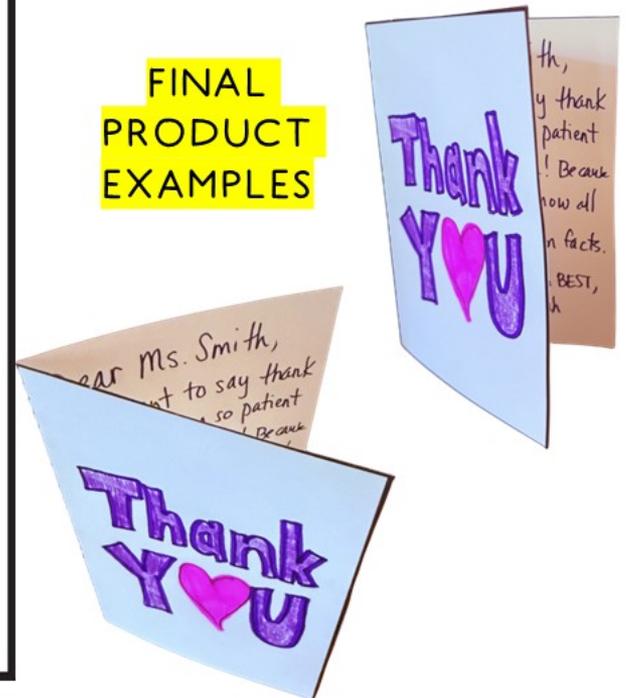
# THANK YOU CARD

Now it is time for you to have the opportunity to make this person a thank-you card!  
Don't forget to be specific about why you are thankful for them.



Directions: Cut out one of the card templates and then fold along the dotted line. Next, you will decorate the front cover and then write your thank-you message inside the card.

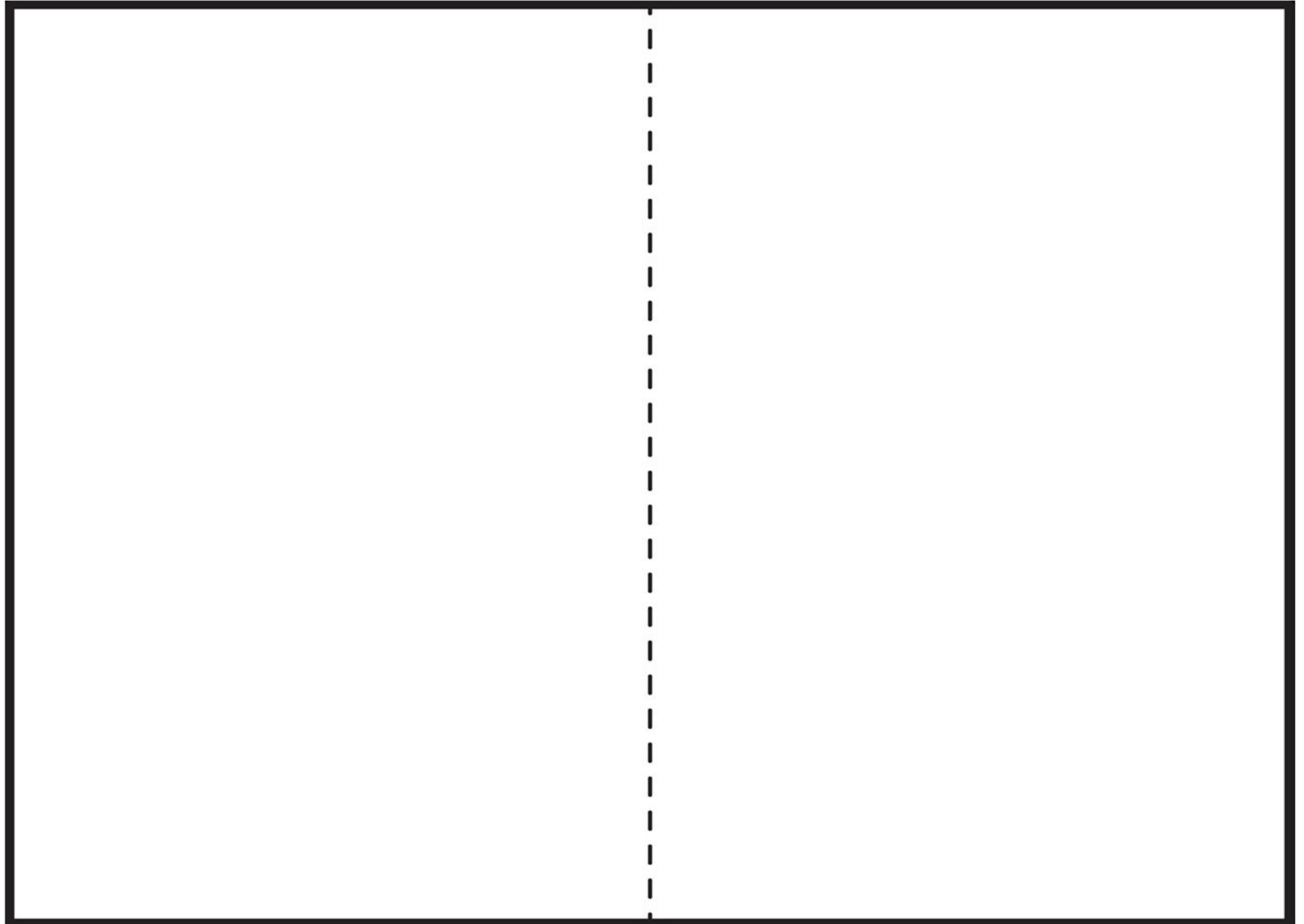
**FINAL  
PRODUCT  
EXAMPLES**



TEMPLATE ONE:

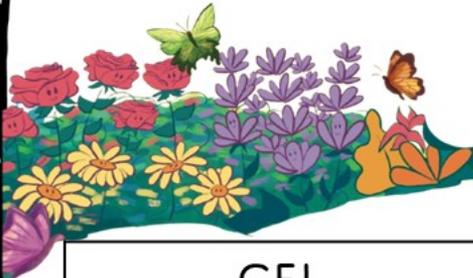
THANK  
YOU!

TEMPLATE TWO:



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# VOCABULARY WORD FIND

L	G	P	B	H	E	C	D	G	D	M	H	R	V	J
U	V	Q	U	N	A	J	A	R	E	U	A	M	N	R
S	C	E	N	T	U	X	I	Z	T	L	F	L	L	O
X	K	R	N	Q	X	U	S	L	D	C	S	G	O	S
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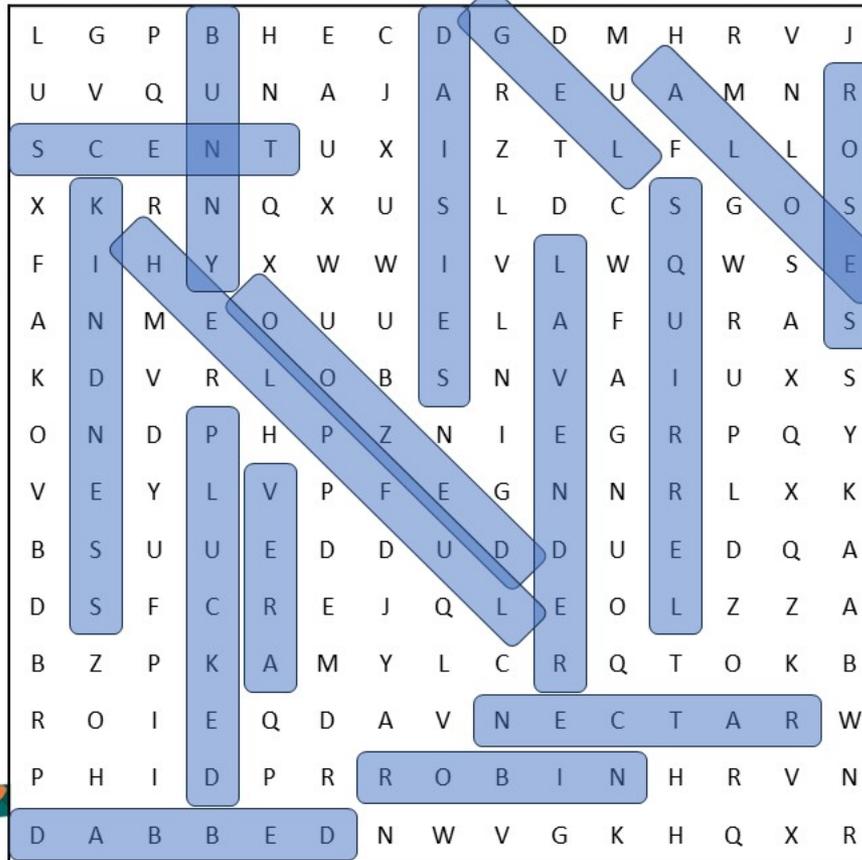
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“What matters

**MOST**



IS WHAT'S

**INSIDE.**”



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My experience is diverse and extensive, spanning 21 years of teaching in both Title I and affluent schools. This breadth of experience has equipped me with a deep understanding of the unique needs of students across the educational spectrum. I am ESL and GT certified, hold a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education, and have undergone numerous digital and curriculum training sessions.

My priority focuses on the WHOLE child and targeting state curriculum frameworks and standards to help empower teachers to have creativity, fun, and diversity in their classrooms.

All resources are designed to be engaging and fun, incorporating cross-curricular components, SEL (social-emotional learning) aspects, creative writing, academic concepts, creative/art opportunities, and more!

Also, all lesson plans include digital integration through Google Classroom or other platforms to enable teachers to combine digital components into their lessons, including an exciting new game option, Blooket, to accompany the themes, vocabulary, story development, characters, etc.

Learning can be engaging, fun, and memorable for all students. I believe that the more engaged students are in lessons, the more they will retain the message or concepts that are taught.



# Credits

Thank you to all the incredible artists who contributed to this resource with their beautiful design elements and expertise!

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