



Modulo 7

LITERATURE

Learning Objectives:

By the end of this module, students will be able to:

- Read and analyze short stories, fables, and poems, identifying key literary elements such as characters, plot, setting, and message/moral.
- Practice and improve oral reading fluency and expression.
- Dramatize poems and short stories in small groups, demonstrating comprehension and creativity.
- · Create original short poems and simple short stories.
- Correctly use singular and plural nouns in their writing and speaking.
- Employ adjectives effectively to describe characters, settings, and events.
- Formulate and answer "Wh-" questions about literary texts.
- Identify basic figures of speech (e.g., similes, metaphors as appropriate for grade level).

This module is structured around the exploration and creation of different literary forms.

- Unit 1: Unpacking Stories: Fables & Short Stories
- Unit 2: The Magic of Poetry
- Unit 3: Bringing Literature to Life

Unit 1: Unpacking Stories: Fables & Short Stories

Concepts:

Literature:

Stories: Basic narrative structure.

o **Fables:** Stories with a moral lesson.

- Analysis: Introduction to literary elements:
 - Characters: Who are the people or animals in the story? (main, supporting)
 - Plot: What happens in the story? (beginning, middle, end; problem, solution)
 - **Setting:** Where and when does the story take place?
 - Message/Moral: What lesson does the story teach?

• Grammar:

- Nouns: Singular / Plural (e.g., one character, many characters; a tree, several trees).
- Adjectives: Describing characters, settings, and objects (e.g., brave, wise, old, dark, mysterious).
- o Wh- questions: What, Who, Where, When, Why, How.

Procedures:

- Reading and analyzing the literary elements: the characters, plot, setting and message of a short story or fable:
 - Teacher-led reading of a simple fable (e.g., "The Ant and the Grasshopper," "The Tortoise and the Hare").
 - Guided discussion to identify characters, setting, and plot events.
 - Identifying the moral lesson of the fable.
 - Introduction to graphic organizers (e.g., a simple story map with boxes for characters, setting, plot, moral).
- Watching and answering questions about videos of a short story or fable:
 - Students watch animated versions of fables or short stories.
 - After watching, they answer comprehension questions (Wh- questions)
 orally and in writing, focusing on literary elements.
- Writing a sketch of a short story invented:
 - Brainstorming ideas for a simple story plot.
 - Working in pairs or small groups to outline a very short story, focusing on having clear characters, setting, and a simple plot.

Attitudes:

- Showing interest for reading short stories and fables: Encouraging active listening and participation during reading activities.
- Being able to identify and appreciate the moral lessons in fables.
- Developing basic analytical skills for narratives.

Progress / Achievement Indicators:

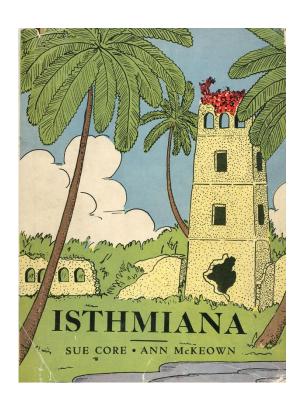
The student:

- Completes a graphic organizer about the literary elements of a short story or fable: Accurately fills in details for characters, plot, setting, and message/moral.
- Completes a written test about the video of a short story or fable: Answers comprehension questions (Wh- questions) correctly.

- Writes a basic outline or short script for an invented short story, demonstrating understanding of plot.
- Uses singular and plural nouns and descriptive adjectives correctly when discussing stories.

Suggested Assessment Activities:

- Reporting the analysis of the short story or fable: Students orally present their completed graphic organizers, explaining the literary elements of a given story.
- Solving a written test about the video of the short story or fable: A short quiz with multiple-choice or short-answer questions based on the video content (e.g., "Who is the main character?", "Where does the story take place?").
- **Story map completion:** Students independently complete a graphic organizer for a new story read in class.
- **Character description:** Students write a short paragraph describing a character from a story, using adjectives and correct noun forms.



Unit 2: The Magic of Poetry

Concepts:

Literature:

- Poetry: Introduction to basic elements of poetry: rhyme, rhythm (simple), stanzas, lines.
- Figure of speech (basic introduction):
 - **Simile:** Comparing two unlike things using "like" or "as" (e.g., "The clouds are *like* cotton balls," "He is as brave as a lion").
 - Metaphor (simple): Stating one thing is another (e.g., "The moon is a pearl").

Grammar:

o Review of Nouns, Adjectives, Wh-questions.

Procedures:

Reading and appreciating simple poems:

- Teacher reads various simple, engaging poems aloud (e.g., nature poems, rhyming poems).
- Discussion about what students notice: rhymes, repeated words, feelings evoked.

Identifying poetic elements:

- o Students identify rhyming words in poems.
- Guided practice in finding similes in poems or creating their own simple similes.

Writing short poems and illustrating it:

- Introduction to specific poem structures:
 - Cinquain: A five-line poem with a specific syllable/word count pattern.
 - Line 1: Noun (2 syllables)

- Line 2: Two adjectives (4 syllables)
- Line 3: Three verbs ending in -ing (6 syllables)
- Line 4: A phrase (8 syllables)
- Line 5: Synonym for line 1 (2 syllables)
- **Diamond poem:** A seven-line poem that starts with one subject and ends with its opposite.
- Students practice writing these specific types of poems, focusing on word choice and illustration.

Attitudes:

- Using their creativity in order to write and illustrate short poems: Encouraging imaginative thinking and artistic expression.
- Developing an appreciation for the beauty and power of language in poetry.

Progress / Achievement Indicators:

The student:

- Creates short poems like cinquain, diamond and so on: Produces original poems following specific structural guidelines.
- Identifies rhyming words and simple figures of speech (similes) in given poems.
- Uses descriptive adjectives in their poems.

Suggested Assessment Activities:

- **Presenting the poem in written and oral way:** Students read their created poems aloud to the class, accompanied by their illustrations. Assessed on clarity, expression, and adherence to poem structure.
- "Rhyme Time" game: Teacher gives a word, students brainstorm rhyming words.
- "Simile Match-up": Students match a phrase to its appropriate simile (e.g., "as busy as..." -> "a bee").
- **Poetry analysis worksheet:** Students answer questions about a short, new poem, identifying rhyme, main idea, and any simple figures of speech.

Unit 3: Bringing Literature to Life

Concepts:

Literature:

- o **Dramatizations:** Turning written works into performances.
- Review of characters, plot, setting, message.
- Oral Reading Skills: Fluency, expression, pronunciation, voice projection.
- **Grammar:** Review and application of all previously learned grammar points in the context of performance.

Procedures:

Practicing oral reading skills:

- Choral reading of poems and short story excerpts.
- Partner reading, focusing on clear pronunciation and appropriate pace.
- Teacher modeling expressive reading.

Dramatize poems in small groups:

- o Students choose a simple poem from class or one they wrote.
- In small groups, they plan movements, facial expressions, and vocal tones to perform the poem.

Writing a sketch of a short story invented:

- Students revise the sketches they outlined in Unit 1 or choose a simple short story (teacher-provided or student-invented).
- They work in groups to turn the story into a short script with dialogue and basic stage directions.

Performing dramatizations:

- o Groups rehearse their sketches and poems.
- o Performance day: groups present their dramatizations to the class.

Attitudes:

- Being able to create short stories: Fostering confidence in their storytelling abilities.
- Showing teamwork and cooperation during group dramatization activities.
- Developing self-confidence through oral presentations.

Progress / Achievement Indicators:

The student:

- Sketches a dramatization about a short story saw in a video: Creates a simple script for a performance.
- Demonstrates improved oral reading fluency and expression during performances.
- Collaborates effectively with group members to prepare and perform dramatizations.
- Uses appropriate voice, body language, and props (if any) to convey meaning in dramatizations.

Suggested Assessment Activities:

- Performing the dramatization created: Group performance assessed on:
 - o Comprehension of the original text.
 - Clarity of speech and appropriate volume.
 - Use of expression and movement.
 - Teamwork and participation.
- Oral Reading Fluency Check: Students read a short, unseen passage aloud to the teacher, assessed on words per minute and accuracy.
- Self/Peer Assessment: Students provide feedback on group performances using a simple rubric focusing on clarity, character portrayal, and overall engagement.

• "Story Retell" activity: After performing a sketch, students verbally retell the main plot points of the story.

