

# ELA: Grade 3

UNIT/Weeks	Timeline/Topics	Essential Questions
6	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Good Citizens</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People make a community strong</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the parts of a story?</li> <li>• What helps you make decisions about characters?</li> <li>• What clues in a story tell you about the characters?</li> <li>• How are two bridges alike and different?</li> <li>• What causes someone to be called a hero?</li> </ul>
6	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Express Yourself</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We communicate in many ways</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What clues in a story help you figure out the sequence of events?</li> <li>• How do pictures help to tell a story?</li> <li>• How can readers figure out the message in a story?</li> <li>• How can a new invention cause people's lives to change?</li> <li>• Why are details important in a biography?</li> </ul>
6	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Learning Lessons</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facing a challenge helps us grow</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can you tell what an author thinks about a topic?</li> <li>• How do characters affect the plot of a story?</li> <li>• How might people change after facing a challenge?</li> <li>• Why do authors write different kinds of texts?</li> <li>• What clues in a story help you understand its characters?</li> </ul>
6	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Extreme Nature</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our world is an amazing place</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why do some authors write funny stories?</li> <li>• Why is it important to understand the author's purpose for writing?</li> <li>• How can you figure out ideas the author doesn't state directly?</li> <li>• How can pictures and labels give you more information?</li> <li>• How can one event lead to a series of adventures?</li> <li>• Where are main ideas often found in nonfiction text?</li> </ul>

<p>6</p>	<p><b><u>Going Places</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are many reasons to take a journey</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What might the problem be in a story about ants?</li> <li>• How can a story's structure help to move a story along?</li> <li>• How are different animals' lives alike and different?</li> <li>• What happens if you tell story events out of order?</li> <li>• Why might a writer tell a story about a faraway place?</li> <li>• How are headings, maps, and diagrams helpful to readers?</li> </ul>
<p>6</p>	<p><b><u>Make Your Mark</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To reach a goal takes hard work</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can you figure out the main ideas in a text?</li> <li>• How can an invention cause people's lives to change?</li> <li>• How do facts help shape our opinions of people?</li> <li>• What causes someone to be called a hero?</li> <li>• What helps you make decisions about a character?</li> </ul>