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Untold Stories

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Grades K-1



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What Are Untold Stories?

Information is everywhere. In today's highly digitized world, it is easy for students to feel overloaded. The presence of news, social media, blogs, the internet, textbooks, and even their cell phones can overwhelm students to the point where they become distracted from what's really valuable in their learning. Students receive information daily, hourly, and even minute by minute. Some information is good, and some is not so good. Much of the information students take in is about people and places they can't even relate to, as their experiences may differ from the information received.



Untold Stories fills a need in today's classroom—the need to add more value and insight to student learning through sharing authentic stories. By focusing student attention on the not-so-familiar stories of ordinary people doing extraordinary things, the learning gives shape to raw emotions and makes the stories come to life. Untold Stories conveys the culture, history, experiences, and values that provide readers deeper understandings of the experiences of diverse people from throughout history.

Real-life stories are the essential building blocks of empathy and connection. These stories will connect, engage, and inspire readers as they read about people like you and me who are living examples of empowerment, struggle, joy, resilience, and innovation.

The reality is that everyone has a story to tell—stories not only of struggle, but more importantly, stories of bravery, determination, and hope.



Think about Sheyann Webb, who is a humanitarian, civil rights activist, mentor, and youth advocate. Throughout her life, she has had numerous encounters with racism and poverty, so she has dedicated her life to assisting youth in America to build self-esteem, confidence, overcome adversity, and find real purposes in their lives.

Consider Vicki Manalo Draves, who despite not being able to practice daily because of racism, found a way to persevere and become the first Asian American woman to win an Olympic gold medal.



Finally, think of Derek Rabelo, a 23-yearold surfer who is blind. He relies on his heightened sense of hearing to navigate the oceans. This is a skill that took courage and perseverance to perfect.

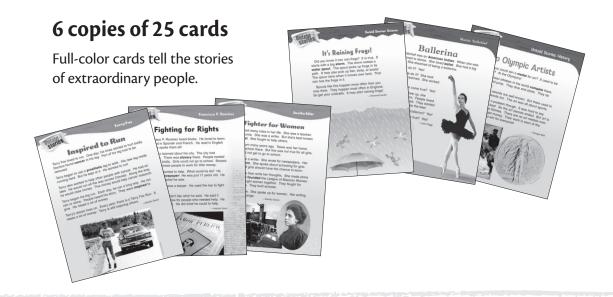


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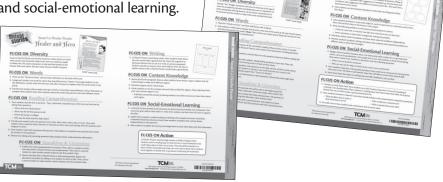
Character Trait	Purpose	
citizenship	Citizenship means engaging in things that make the community a better place to be. Being a good citizen at school includes respecting the people, rules, and school property.	
commitment	Commitment means being dedicated and finishing what you start. This shows the importance of keeping your word and doing what is expected, even when it is challenging or not preferred.	
compassion	Compassion means understanding and showing deep care for someone's feelings. This shows the importance of supporting one another by practicing perspective taking and building empathy.	
cooperation	Cooperation means working well together to reach the same goal. This shows students how teamwork can accomplish more than working alone.	
courage	Courage means doing the right thing, even when it is difficult. This demonstrates that it's expected to be afraid sometimes, but courage is shown when we do the right thing despite those worries.	
creativity	Creativity means approaching situations with a unique perspective. When students feel safe and comfortable, they will be more confident in expressing their original ideas and solutions.	
fairness	Fairness means treating others justly. This includes following the rules, taking turns, and sharing.	
honesty	Honesty means telling the truth. This encourages students to genuinely express their thoughts and feelings.	
leadership	Leadership means being a positive role model to their peers. People can be leaders by using their kind words and actions to influence others to create positive change.	
loyalty	Loyalty means being devoted and faithful to those you care for. This shows how students can build and keep healthy relationships by remaining true to their family and friends.	
perseverance	Perseverance means continuing to do something you value, even when times are tough. This teaches students not to give up in the face of a challenge.	
respect	Respect means showing kindness and consideration for others. This reinforces the importance of treating others how you want to be treated.	
responsibility	Responsibility means taking ownership of your actions and doing what is expected of you. For students, this includes going to school, doing their work, and being a good friend to others.	
trustworthiness	Trustworthiness means acting in ways that make others feel comfortable, especially when they are in need of help. Students can embody trustworthiness when they stick by their word and keep their promises to do what is right.	

How to Implement This Resource



Lesson Plans

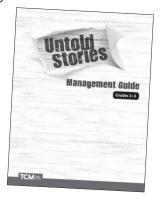
Lesson plans include connections to literacy, content areas, and social-emotional learning.



Management Guide

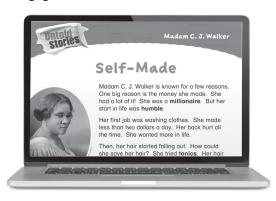
Management Guide provides program information and research-based teaching ideas. (The activities and rubrics in this book are shared over two grade levels. This allows

teachers to better support students' critical analysis of the text cards, rather than focusing on the structure of the lessons.)



Digital Resources

Ecards, primary sources, and audio recordings increase student engagement and enhance instruction.



Text Cards

Titles help students to understand the theme or main idea of the text.

Madam C. J. Walker Self-Made Madam C. J. Walker is known for a few reasons. One big reason is the money she made. She had a lot of it! She was a millionaire. But her start in life was humble. Her first job was washing clothes. She made less than two dollars a day. Her back hurt all the time. She wanted more in life Then, her hair started falling out. How could she save her hair? She tried tonics. Her hair grew back She started s lling hair-care en, she began making products. business started small. them. Her But it quigkly grew. People liked n worked hard. People called elf-made. She earned her ney through her own hard work!

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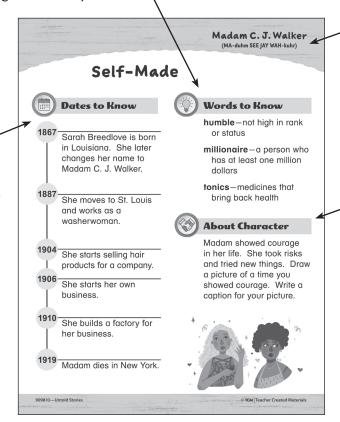
Authors of texts are identified for group discussions about author's purpose and writing choices.

Images support text to aid in student comprehension. These primary source images make great discussion starters.

Words to Know are bolded in the body text and defined on the backs of the cards. The Focus On Words section in each lesson highlights these key words.

Time lines help students place each subject in the context of history or a larger world view.

For readability purposes, people are referred to by their first names in student-facing text rather than last names.



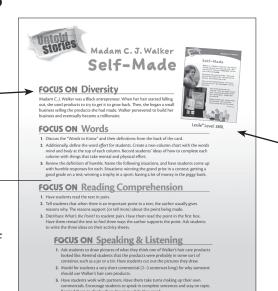
Phonetic pronunciations are provided for cultural awareness and support while reading the text. Take time to review this before reading the text card aloud.

Opportunities are provided for students to investigate character traits exemplified by each subject. (See pages 14–15 for more information.)

Lesson Plans

A short summary is provided for easy recall of key characteristics of the subject.

Each lesson includes strong literacy activities to help students focus on key aspects of the text card. (See pages 20–22 for more information.)



The Lexile® level for each text card is provided to help with planning and differentiation.

Each card is connected to a content area through an interactive activity. Although many cards connect to social studies, there are other content areas covered as well.

Connections to the five SEL competencies are made through these cooperative activities. (See page 13 for more information.)

These activities provide opportunities for students to apply what they've learned by reading the text cards and participating in the activities. Rubrics are provided to assess student work on these activities. (See pages 73–76 for more information.)

FOCUS ON Writing

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Every writing activity includes a prewriting graphic organizer to help students gather their thoughts. Re-create these where your students can see them, or distribute copies found in the Digital Resources.

Subjects of the lesson plans are easily identified on both sides of the folder tab.



Student reproducibles are provided both on the inside of the lesson folder and in the Digital Resources.

Lesson Plans (cont.)

Lesson Plan Pacing Guide

The following example pacing plan shows an option for using a text card and lesson over a one-week period. Teachers should customize this pacing suggestion according to their students' needs.

Lesson Section	Notes	Suggested Time
Focus On Diversity	Share with students key information from the summary, and preview the card with them. Have students pose a few questions that they hope will be answered in the text.	5–10 minutes
Focus On Words	Preview key vocabulary words, and help students prepare to read the text card. Based on the Lexile level of the text, determine if any other preparation is needed before reading with students.	10 minutes
Focus On Reading Comprehension	Read the text card together, and use it to practice important reading comprehension skills. Have	
Focus On Speaking & Listening After the initial interaction with the text, allow focused time for students to work together to practice strong speaking skills and active listening.		15–20 minutes
Work together to help students complete graphic organizers to plan their writing. Then, provide time for students to compose their written responses. Re-create the graphic organizer where students can see it, or use the digital copy provided.		30 minutes
Focus On Content Knowledge Key content is pulled from the text card for a short content-based activity. Connections are made to social studies, science, the arts, and more.		30–45 minutes
Each lesson helps students work toward achieving the five SEL competencies. These activities often connect back to the character traits highlighted on the back of the cards.		20–30 minutes
Focus On Action	Serving as formative assessments, these hands-on activities provide opportunities for students to apply what they've learned. There are four general rubrics to be used with these activities to assess student work.	20–30 minutes

Focus On Action Rubrics

Presentation-Based Activities

Student Name:	
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	4—Excellent	3—Great Job	2—Good Work	1—Not Quite
Presentation Content	All information was shared in an interesting and engaging way.	Most information was shared in an interesting and engaging way.	Some information was shared in an interesting and engaging way.	Little information was shared in an interesting and engaging way.
Presentation Skills	Student spoke very clearly and used appropriate volume.	Student spoke clearly and used appropriate volume.	Student spoke somewhat clearly and/ or did not use appropriate volume.	Student did not speak clearly and/or did not use appropriate volume.
Work Completion	All parts of the activity were completed.	Almost all parts of the activity were completed.	Only a few parts of the activity were completed.	Little of the activity was completed.
Content Understanding	Presentation shows deep, complex understanding of the content.	Presentation shows strong understanding of the content.	Presentation shows some understanding of the content.	Presentation shows little understanding of the content.
Connection to Self or Others	Presentation shows complete connection to self or others with both factual and personal content.	Presentation shows strong connection to self or others with either factual or personal content.	Presentation shows some connection to self or others with little factual or personal content.	Presentation shows little connection to self or others and has missing factual and personal content.

Comments:	 	 	



Katherine Uses Math

Katherine Johnson was a very smart woman. She did well in school. She liked to learn.

Katherine got a job at **NASA**. This is a group that does work in space. Katherine was good at math. Few women worked for NASA then. Few Black people did too. Katherine was both.

She was placed on a **special** team at NASA. The team's job was to send a human to space. She used math to help. Her math got the job done.

Katherine had to be strong. Her job was hard. But she changed the world!

—Kiley E. Smith



Katherine Johnson

(KATH-uh-rin JAHN-sun)

Katherine Uses Math



Dates to Know

Katherine Johnson is born in West Virginia.

She joins the special NASA team.

NASA sends the first American to space.

Katherine dies in Virginia.



Words to Know

NASA—a U.S. government group that travels to and learns about space

special-very important



About Character

perseverance

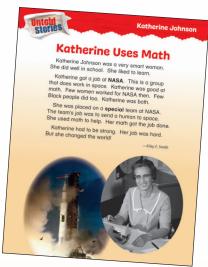
Katherine was smart. She worked hard at her job.
Design a new shirt for NASA. Make Katherine the focus of the shirt. Show her doing her work.



Katherine Johnson Katherine Uses Math

FGCUS ON Diversity

Katherine Johnson was a Black woman who was born in 1918. She was very curious, good with numbers, and moved ahead quickly in school. Johnson attended college and studied math. Her math skills led to a career with NASA, where she was an important part of many space missions. Johnson's intelligence and perseverance make her an American hero.



Lexile® Level: 330L

FGCUS ON Words

- 1. Read the "Words to Know" and their definitions on the back of the card.
- 2. NASA stands for National Aeronautics and Space Administration. This is the organization responsible for the space station, rovers on Mars, rockets, and space shuttles. Share pictures of space vehicles.
- **3**. Katherine's team was special and very important in getting a person into space. Ask students to name things that are special or important to them.

FGCUS ON Reading Comprehension

- 1. Before reading the text card aloud to the group, ask students to listen for facts about Katherine.
- 2. After reading the text, give students a chance to think about what they heard, and then ask them to state facts about Katherine. Make a list of the facts they share on the board or chart paper. Write each fact on a separate line, leaving space between facts.
- **3**. Review the list of facts, and then reread the text. Ask students if there are any other facts to add to the list. Write these ideas on the list.
- **4**. Cut apart each of the statements about Katherine. Mix them up. Have the group work to put the statements together in the order of Katherine's life.

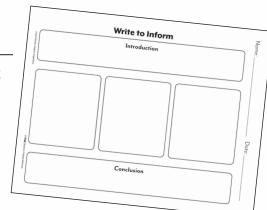
FGCUS ON Speaking & Listening

- 1. Ask students to pretend that Katherine is coming to your school to speak. Their job is to introduce her before her speech. Tell students that when you introduce a speaker, you share facts about that person.
- 2. Place students in pairs. Partners should take turns telling facts about Katherine to each other.
- **3**. After students have practiced introducing Katherine to partners, ask for a volunteer to do an introduction for the whole group.



FGCUS ON Writing

- Review the facts generated about Katherine during the Focus On Reading Comprehension activity. Re-create this graphic organizer on the board or chart paper. Model for students how to use it to write a topic sentence about Katherine.
- **2**. Have students use their copies of the graphic organizer and the list of facts to help with ideas as they write about Katherine.



FGCUS ON Content Knowledge

- 1. Tell students that Katherine used her math knowledge to check problems and make sure it was safe for people to travel into space. Use the following questions to guide a discussion:
 - Why was it important for Katherine to be correct in her work?
 - How can students be correct in their work?
 - · How can finding mistakes help us learn?
- 2. Write three simple addition problems and the answers on the board or chart paper. Be sure at least one of the answers is wrong. Have student pairs check the math problems. Work through each problem with the group.
- **3**. Distribute *Check the Math* to students. Explain the directions, and have students check the problems. Provide counters if needed.
- 4. Provide time for students to share correct answers for the math problems they marked as incorrect.

FGCUS ON Social-Emotional Learning

- 1. Remind students that Katherine had a strength in math. Others were aware of her math strength. Their social awareness helped them encourage her to learn more and use what she knew to help others.
- 2. Ask students what strengths they see in people around them. What things do they notice that others do well?
- **3**. Distribute *I See You* to students. Read the directions, and allow time for students to write and draw about strengths they see in others. Encourage students to let these people know about the strengths they see.

FGCUS ON Action

Provide large sheets of drawing paper for students. Tell them that Katherine worked with a group of people to put a human in space. Ask students to work in groups to draw pictures of space. Pictures can include stars, the sun, planets, a rocket, and any other space items they can imagine.



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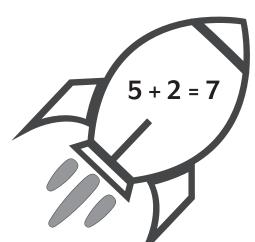


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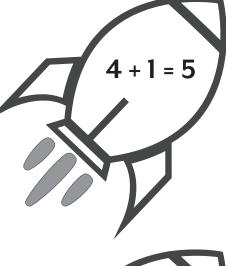
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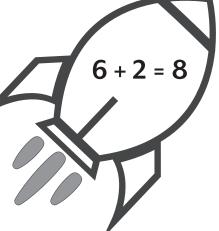
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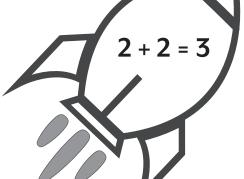
Directions: Check the problems. Color the problems that are correct. Write an X on each problem that is wrong.

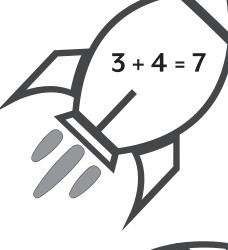


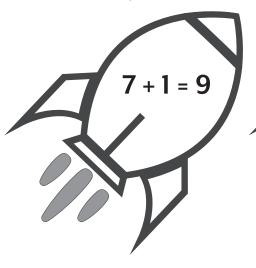


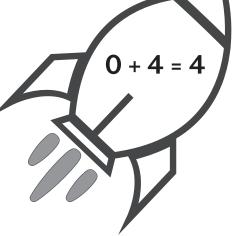


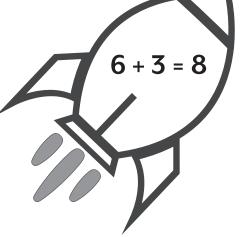












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I See You
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Introduction Conclusion	



Shows in Sign

What is it like to go to a show if you cannot hear? Deaf West Theatre is a place to go.

The actors use their hands to talk. This is called **sign language**. Some of them cannot hear. Some can. They use their whole body to talk on stage.

Deaf West Theatre is in California. It has won **awards**. People come from far away to see shows. Some of them can hear. Others cannot. It is a place that all can enjoy.

—Lisa Perlman Greathouse













FATHER

BABY

FRIEND

Shows in Sign



Dates to Know

1943

The founder of Deaf West Theatre is born in Wisconsin.

1991

Deaf West Theatre opens in Los Angeles, California.

2005

The theatre wins an award.





Words to Know

awards—prizes given for
doing something great

sign language—a way of communicating using the hands, face, and body



About Character

respect

Deaf West Theatre has a goal. The group wants all people to enjoy theater. They use sign language so that everyone can understand. Give sign language a try. Learn to say "hello" and "goodbye." Teach someone else.



Untold Stories: The Arts Shows in Sign

FGCUS ON Diversity

Deaf West Theatre presents plays and shows in both American Sign Language (ASL) and spoken English. Hearing people and people who are deaf can all enjoy theater here. The people at Deaf West Theatre are creative and respectful as they find ways for all to enjoy the theater experience.



Lexile® Level: 330L

FGCUS ON Words

- 1. Explain that many people who are deaf use sign language to communicate. Locate an online video showing sign language to share with students.
- 2. Awards are given when something has been done well. Ask students to name awards they know about or have received.

FGCUS ON Reading Comprehension

- 1. Read the text card to students. Use these questions to guide students to understand the main idea and key details of the text:
 - What is Deaf West Theatre?
 - · What makes it different from other theaters?
 - How do you know it is a great place?
- 2. Talk about and list elements that make Deaf West such a special theater. Help students understand that the use of sign language allows people who are deaf or hard of hearing to enjoy a theater experience.
- **3**. Read the directions to *Great Theater!* aloud. Direct students to complete the activity. Allow time for them to work with partners to share ideas.

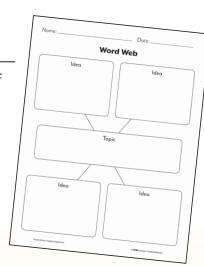
FGCUS ON Speaking & Listening

- 1. Teach students the ASL signs for yes and no:
 - Yes sign: make fist, move fist up and down from the wrist. The signer's head should be nodding yes at the same time.
 - No sign: tap first two fingers to thumb. The signer's head should be shaking no at the same time.
- **2**. Read these statements about the text. Have students use ASL to answer *yes* if they are true or *no* if they are false.
 - Deaf West Theatre is only for people who cannot hear.
 - Some people at the theater can hear and some cannot.
 - Only a few people come to see the shows.
 - Deaf West Theatre has won many awards.



FGCUS ON Writing

- 1. Tell students they are going to write to encourage people to attend a show at Deaf West Theatre. People will want to see a show if they think the theater is a good place.
- **2.** Re-create this graphic organizer on the board or chart paper. Write *Why is Deaf West Theatre great?* in the center frame. Show students how to use it to brainstorm words that let people know Deaf West Theatre is a great place.
- **3**. Have students use the ideas in the word web to write about why Deaf West Theatre is a great place to see a show.



FGCUS ON Content Knowledge

- 1. Have students brainstorm a list of activities that happen during the school day. For example, lining up for lunch, going to the media center, and arriving at school. List their ideas on the board or chart paper.
- 2. Place students with partners, and let each pair choose an activity. Each pair should work together to plan a way to demonstrate their selected activity without words.
- **3**. Allow student pairs to take turns acting out their activities, and see if their classmates can guess what they are doing.

FGCUS ON Social-Emotional Learning

- 1. ASL is one of many languages. This language uses hand signs to show people who cannot hear what is being said. When practicing relationship skills, it is helpful to know words in different languages.
- 2. Teach students the ASL sign for the word friend.
 - Hold up hands with only the index fingers pointing up. Link index fingers, and hold them together. Then, switch and link them in the opposite direction.
- **3**. Tell students to practice making the sign.
- **4**. Explain and have students complete their *Friend* activity sheets.

FGCUS ON Action

Have students share questions they might have about deaf culture or American Sign Language. List their questions on a chart. Use an online source to help answer students' questions, or invite an expert on deaf culture to present to the class.



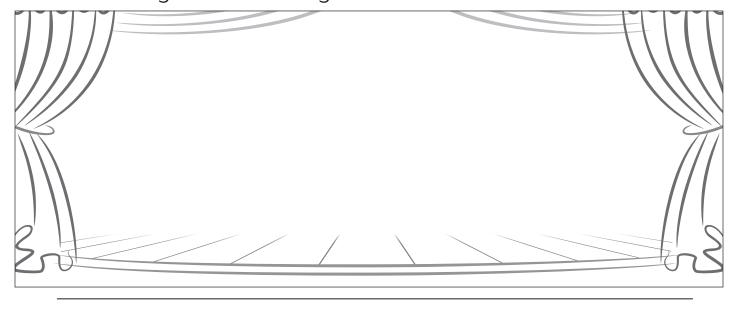
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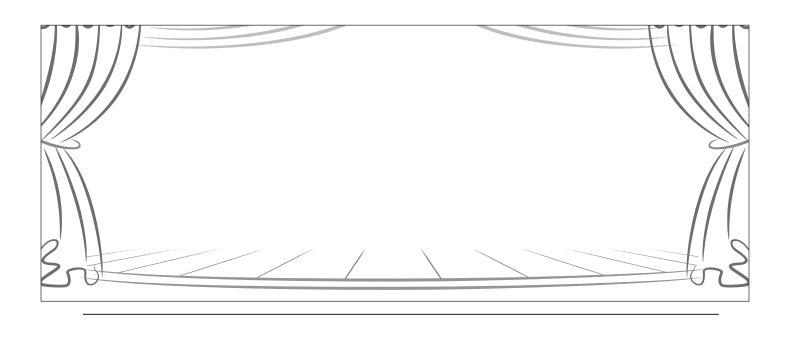


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Great Theater!

Directions: Deaf West Theatre is a great place to go! Draw and label two things that make it great.





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word <i>friend</i> . Write the no	ame of your friend. Then, draw you and
your friend.	
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My friend is	

Name:	Date:
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Word Web

Idea	Idea
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