Unit 1: Building Strong Communities

WEEK 1 Day 4



Text Talk Mango, Abuela, and Me Read 1 of 2

Big Idea	Caring for each other builds community.
Weekly Question	Who am I, and who are we together?
Content Objectives	I can use key details from the text to explain how the characters develop across the story. (R.4.1.a, R.6.1.a)
	I can answer questions about key details in order to understand the gist of the story. (R.4.1.a)
Language Objective	I can listen to and speak respectfully about a text being read aloud. (SL.1.1.a)
Vocabulary	shy: quiet and a little nervous about new things unlock: open snapshot: photograph practice: trying something multiple times coins: metal money weave: braid together communicate: to share ideas with each other
Materials and Preparation	 Mango, Abuela, and Me, Meg Medina Pre-mark page numbers in the book to correspond with the lesson. Page 1 is the first illustrated page.
Opening 1 minute	Today we will read Mango, Abuela, and Me by Meg Medina. In this story, two characters learn to care for each other, developing

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Text and Discussion 16 minutes page 2	understanding of each other and building the community within their family. Set a purpose for reading. As we read today, we'll answer key questions to help us get the gist of the story, or what the story is mostly about, noting how the characters develop. Tomorrow we'll read to think about the characters' experience and our own. Check for understanding of key details. Who is the narrator in the story? Who is coming to stay?
page 9	What does it mean that the characters' "mouths were as empty as our bread baskets?" Elicit a few responses. Yes—Mia and Abuela are quiet because Mia's Spanish is limited and Abuela's English is limited. Turn and talk to a partner. How do Mia and Abuela communicate?
page 25	How does Mia use what she learns in school to teach Abuela?
page 29	A jungle filled with birds makes me imagine that the store has many colorful birds all together.
page 32	Act out bobbing your head like a parrot.
page 33	Who are the characters who have to practice in the book? What different ways do the characters practice? Elicit ideas.
Key Discussion 7 minutes	 Think, Pair, Share. Toward the end of the book, the author writes, "our mouths are full of things to say." This is very different from the beginning of the book, when we read that their mouths were empty. What has changed for Mia and Abuela throughout the book? Use key details to support your ideas. If children have difficulty, refer to specific events. For example, have children consider how the characters are relating on page 8, versus how they are relating on page 37.
Closing 1 minute	Today we answered key questions to help us get the gist of the story, explaining how Mia and Abuela change. Tomorrow we'll read to

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	consider the kind of experiences people have when learning something new.
Standards	 R.4.1.a Ask and answer questions about who, what, when, where, and how. R.6.1.a Describe characters, settings, and major events in a story, including details about who, what, when, where, and how. SL.1.1.a Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions (e.g., listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
Ongoing assessment	Listen to children's responses during whole group conversation and Think, Pair, Share. Can children use key details when answering questions about the story? How do children describe the ways that Mia and Abuela change over the course of the book?

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