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Teacher Quickstart Guide

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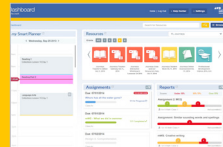
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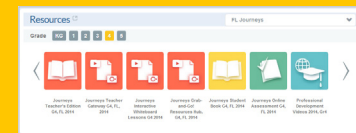
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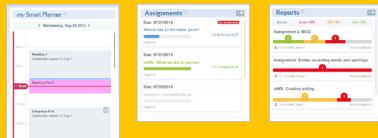
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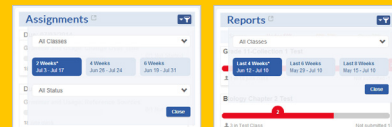
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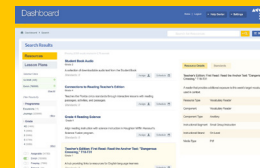
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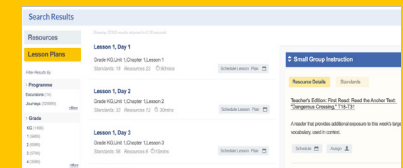
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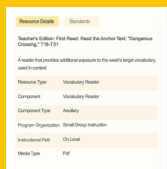
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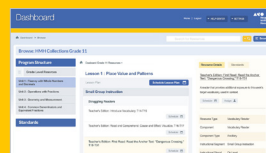
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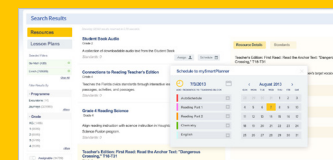
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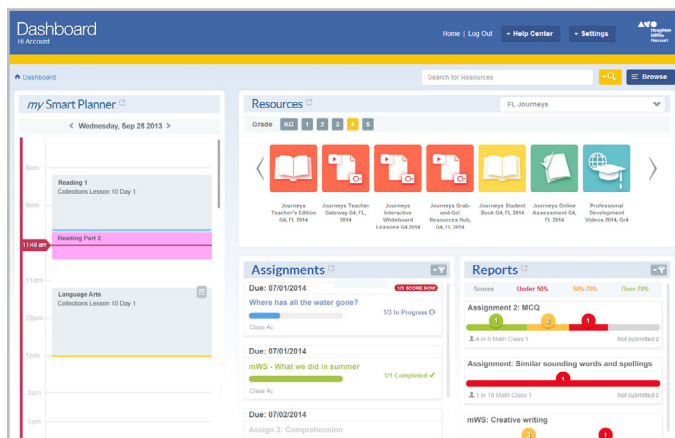


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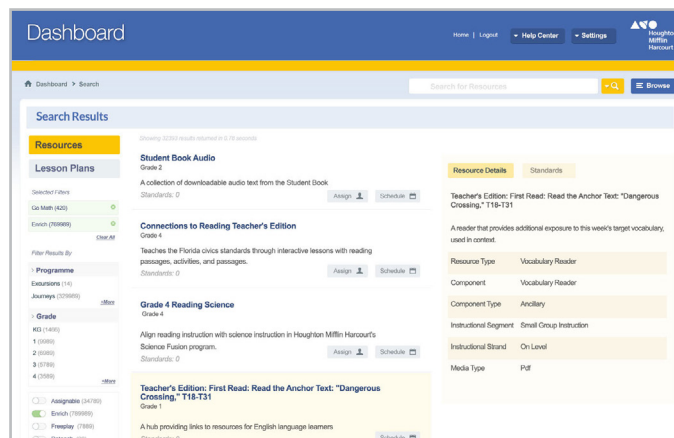
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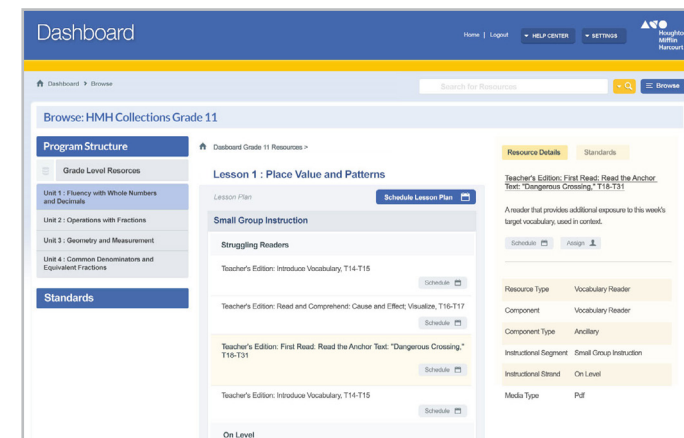
The Dashboard

ThinkCentral has a new dashboard, where you can quickly find your resources, planner, assignments, and student performance reports.



Dashboard Search

Find resources and lesson plans. Schedule them to *mySmartPlanner* or assign them to your students.



Dashboard Browse

Browse resources by program structure or by standard ID. Schedule them to *mySmartPlanner* or assign them to your students.



Did you know? To access your resources, you can Search, Browse, or click an icon in the Resources gadget.



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The Dashboard

The dashboard interface includes a top navigation bar with a 'Search' button, 'Log Out', 'Help Center', and 'Settings' links. A 'Browse' button is located in the top right corner. The main content area is divided into several sections:

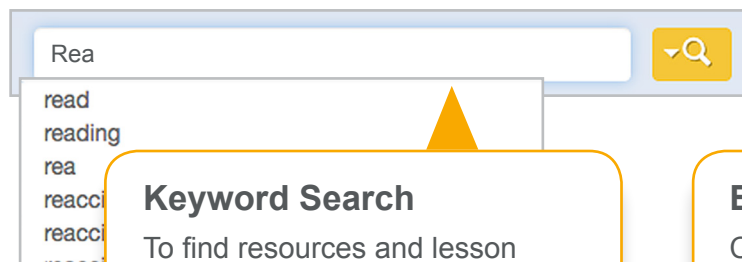
- mySmartPlanner Gadget:** A calendar view showing lessons for Wednesday, Sep 25 2013. Lessons include 'Reading 1 Collections Lesson 10 Day 1', 'Reading Part 2', and 'Language Arts Collections Lesson 10 Day 1'.
- Resources Gadget:** A section for 'FL Journeys' resources, including 'Journeys Teacher's Edition G4, FL 2014', 'Journeys Student Book G4, FL 2014', 'Journeys Online Assessment G4, FL 2014', and 'Professional Development Videos 2014, Gr4'.
- Assignments Gadget:** A list of assignments with due dates and progress bars. Examples include 'Where has all the water gone?' (1/3 In Progress), 'mWS - What we did in summer' (1/1 Completed), and 'Assign 3: Comprehension'.
- Reports Gadget:** A section for scores and progress. Examples include 'Assignment 2: MCQ' (1/3 Score Now), 'Assignment: Similar sounding words and spellings' (1/1 Completed), and 'mWS: Creative writing' (1/3 Score Now).

The dashboard also features a 'Help Center' and 'Settings' link in the top right corner. The Houghton Mifflin Harcourt logo is visible in the bottom left corner.



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Dashboard Gadgets



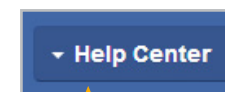
Keyword Search

To find resources and lesson plans, type keywords or standards and press **Enter**. Click the **Search** icon to select resources or lesson plans.



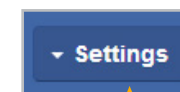
Browse

Click **Browse**, and select a program to find resources.



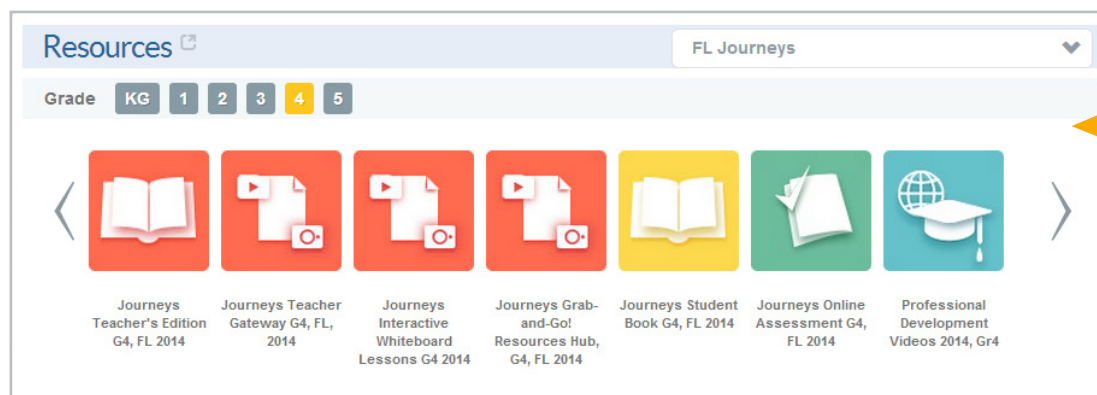
Help Center

Click **Help Center** to access dashboard **Help** and **Guides and Tutorials** pages.



Settings

Click **Settings** to access your **Classes and Students** page and **Account** page.



Resources

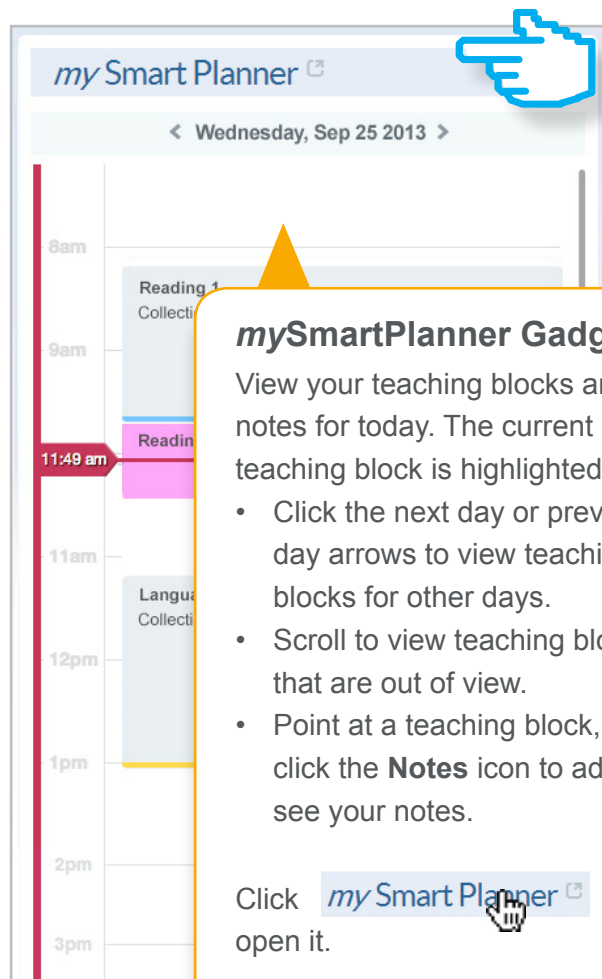
To view resources for a program and grade:

1. Select the program from the drop-down list on the upper right.
2. Select a **Program**.
 - Click the left and right arrows to scroll through the resources.
 - Click a resource icon to view the resource in a new tab or new window.

Click **Resources** to open the **View Resources** page.

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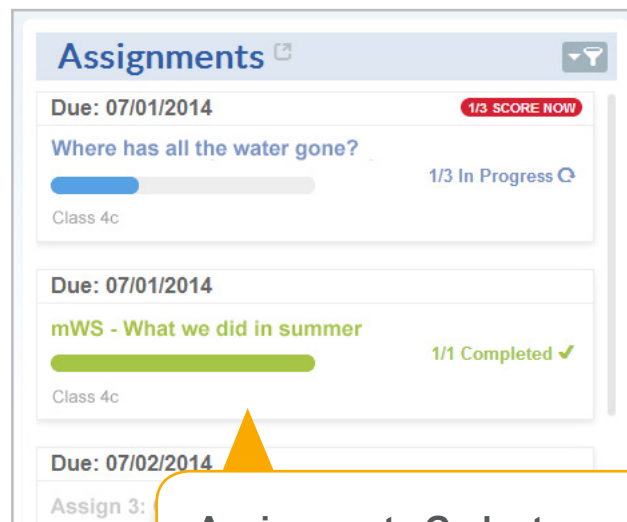
mySmartPlanner Gadget

View your teaching blocks and notes for today. The current teaching block is highlighted.

- Click the next day or previous day arrows to view teaching blocks for other days.
- Scroll to view teaching blocks that are out of view.
- Point at a teaching block, and click the **Notes** icon to add or see your notes.

Click **my Smart Planner** to open it.

Note: You have to add teaching blocks in mySmartPlanner before they appear here.

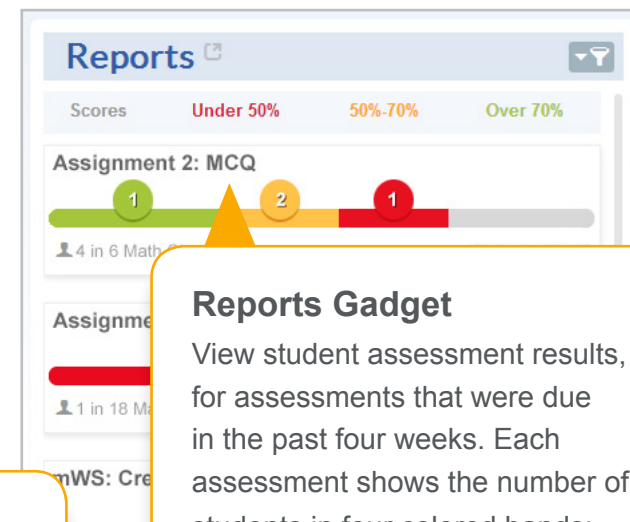


Assignments Gadget

View assignments in order of their due date for the current week and the previous week.

Click **Assignments** to view all assignments.

Note: You have to create assignments before they appear in the list.



Reports Gadget

View student assessment results, for assessments that were due in the past four weeks. Each assessment shows the number of students in four colored bands:

- Scores over 70%
- Scores 50%-70%
- Scores under 50%
- Not submitted

Click **Reports** to open the Reports page.

Note: You have to score at least one student's assessment before it appears in the list.




Did you know?

Assignments are color-coded to indicate their status.




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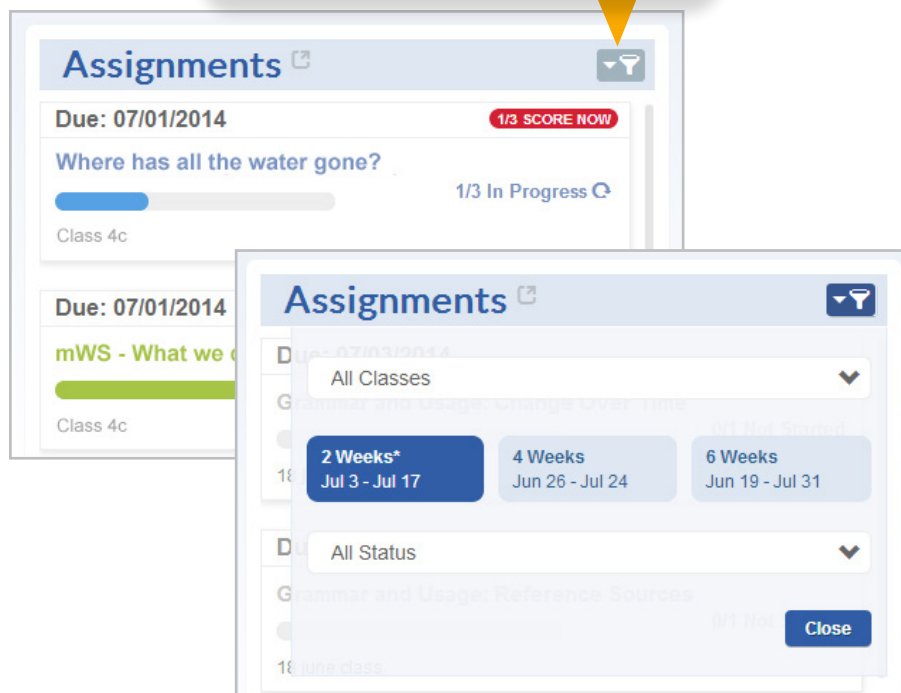
Assignments and Report Gadget Filters

To view assignments for a single class, status, and different time period, click .

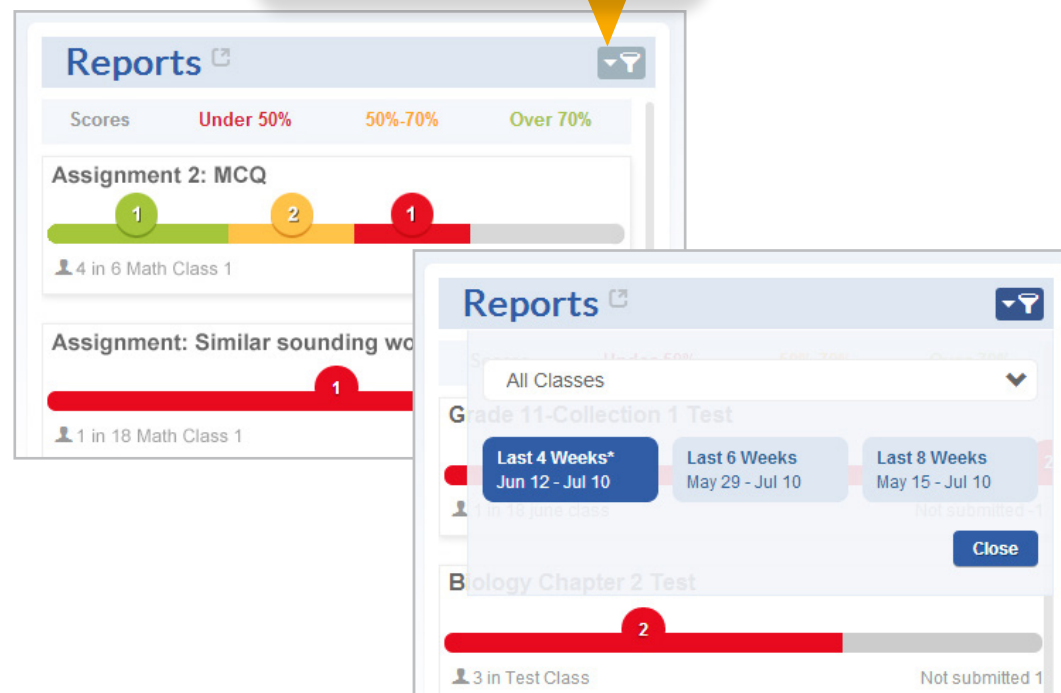
Note: Assignments are shown for **All Classes**, **2 Weeks**, and **All Status** by default.

To view reports for a single class, and different time period, click .

Note: Reports are shown for **All Classes** and **Last 4 weeks** by default.



The screenshot shows the 'Assignments' gadget. The top header has the title 'Assignments' and a filter icon. Below the header, there's a section for 'Due: 07/01/2014' with a progress bar and a '1/3 SCORE NOW' badge. The main content area shows a list of assignments, including 'Where has all the water gone?' and 'mWS - What we'. A filter overlay is open, showing options for 'All Classes', '2 Weeks* Jul 3 - Jul 17', '4 Weeks Jun 26 - Jul 24', '6 Weeks Jun 19 - Jul 31', 'All Status', and a 'Close' button.



The screenshot shows the 'Reports' gadget. The top header has the title 'Reports' and a filter icon. Below the header, there's a section for 'Scores' with three tabs: 'Under 50%', '50%-70%', and 'Over 70%'. The main content area shows a list of reports, including 'Assignment 2: MCQ' and 'Assignment: Similar sounding words'. A filter overlay is open, showing options for 'All Classes', 'Last 4 Weeks* Jun 12 - Jul 10', 'Last 6 Weeks May 29 - Jul 10', 'Last 8 Weeks May 15 - Jul 10', and a 'Close' button.



Did you know? The filter icon changes color when filters are applied.



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Dashboard Search

Resources

Resources are shown by default. Click **Lesson Plans** to show lesson plan results.

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Did you know? To go back to the dashboard, click:



Smart Search

Besides making a simple keyword search, you can also run a smart search.

1. Type a filter option and then type a colon, such as *Program*:
2. **Search** will suggest values for the filter option.
3. Use the down arrow key to select a filter value and press **Enter** to run your search. You can also click on a filter value to select it.

Note: You can enter multiple filter values in your search. Press the space key after you select the first filter value to get a list of related filter options.

Search Results

- Click the resource title to open it in a new tab or window.
- View a title, description, standards covered, and program structure for the resource.
- Click the background to view more details about the resource on the right.

Resource Details

This is detailed information about the selected resource.

Standards

The standards associated with the resource.



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Dashboard Search

Lesson Plans

Click **Lesson Plans** to view a list of lesson plans related to your keyword search.

View Resources

When you click an instructional path, the other headings are not visible.

To view **Standards** again, click the top heading, for example **Small Group Instruction**.

Lesson Plan Results

- View the title of the lesson plan, the program structure, the number of standards covered, the recommended duration, and the number of resources in the lesson plan.
- Click a lesson plan to view its program organization, instructional paths, and standards.

Structure of a Lesson Plan

The **Small Group Instruction** show a list of instructional paths. Click an instructional path to view its resources.

Resource Details

View detailed information about the resource. Click 'x' to go back to the list of resources.

Standards

The standards associated with the resource.

View Details

- Click "i" to view resource details.
- Click the resource title to open it in a new tab or window.

The screenshot shows the ThinkCentral Dashboard Search interface. The main area displays search results for 'Lesson 1, Day 1'. The interface includes a sidebar with 'Resources' and 'Lesson Plans' tabs. The 'Lesson Plans' tab is selected, showing a list of lesson plans. The 'Small Group Instruction' section is expanded, showing a list of instructional paths: 'Struggling Readers', 'On Level', and 'Advanced'. The 'Small Group Instruction' path is selected, showing a list of resources. The 'Resource Details' section is expanded, showing details for a resource titled 'Teacher's Edition: First Read: Read the Anchor Text: "Dangerous Crossing," T18-T31'. The details include a description, a 'Schedule' button, and an 'Assign' button. The 'Standards' section is also visible, showing a list of standards associated with the resource.

Search Results

Showing 32393 results returned in 0.78 seconds

Resources

Lesson Plans

Lesson 1, Day 1

Grade KG, Unit 1, Chapter 1, Lesson 1

Standards: 18 Resources 22 90mins

Small Group Instruction

Struggling Readers

On Level

Advanced

Resource Details

Standards

Teacher's Edition: First Read: Read the Anchor Text: "Dangerous Crossing," T18-T31

A reader that provides additional exposure to this week's target vocabulary, used in context.

Schedule Assign

Resource Type Vocabulary Reader

Component Vocabulary Reader

Component Type Ancillary

Instructional Segment Small Group Instruction

Instructional Strand On Level

Media Type Pdf

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Search Result Details

Resource Details Standards

Teacher's Edition: First Read: Read the Anchor Text: "Dangerous Crossing," T18-T31

A reader that provides additional exposure to this week's target vocabulary, used in context.

Resource Type	Vocabulary Reader
Component	Vocabulary Reader
Component Type	Ancillary
Program Organization	Small Group Instruction
Instructional Path	On Level

Resource Details

View detailed information about a resource from your search results:

- Title
- Description
- Resource Type
- Component
- Component Type
- Program Organization
- Instructional Path
- Media Type

Resource Details Standards

LACC.6.RL.1.3 Describe how a particular story's or drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes as well as how the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution

LACC.6.RL.1.6 How the characters respond or change as the plot moves toward a resolution

LACC.6.RL.1.9 Drama's plot unfolds in a series of episodes

Standards
View standards and descriptions associated with the resource.

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Dashboard Browse

Resources

To view resources, click one of the levels in the **Program Structure** list, for example, **Unit 1**.

This expands to show a list of lessons: **Lesson 1**, **Lesson 2**, **Lesson 3**, and so forth.

Browse by Standard ID

1. On the left, click **Standards**.
2. Click a **Standards** set and sub-menu links until the **Standard ID** appears.
3. Click any **Standard ID** to view resources aligned to it.

Resources List

To view resources, click a heading.

- Click a resource title to open it in a new tab or window.
- Click the background to view more details about the resource on the right.
- Click the program organization heading again to collapse the details.

Browse a Different Program and Grade

1. To open a list of programs click **Browse**.
2. Select a program and grade.

The screenshot displays the ThinkCentral Dashboard in the 'Browse' view. The left sidebar contains a 'Program Structure' section with 'Unit 1: Fluency with Whole Numbers and Decimals' selected. Below it, the 'Standards' section is expanded, showing a list of standards. The main content area is titled 'Lesson 1: Place Value and Patterns' and displays a list of resources. The right sidebar shows the 'Resource Details' for a selected resource, including information about the resource type, component, and instructional segment.

Resources Details


Resource Details shows information about the selected resource.

Click **Standards** to find the standards associated with the resource.



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Schedule and Assign

Create an Assignment

To create an assignment with a resource, click **Assign**  on the lower right of a search result.

Schedule a Resource or Lesson Plan

1. To add a resource or lesson plan to *mySmartPlanner*, on the lower right of a search result, click **Schedule** .
2. Select a teaching block in the popup window.
 - To select a teaching block for a different date, click the calendar icon  beside the date and select the date you want.






Schedule to mySmartPlanner



07/09/2014



Add Resource to Teaching Block

- AutoSchedule 
- Reading Part 1 
- Reading Part 2 
- Chemistry 
- English 

July 2014						
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