



An interactive Language Arts program encouraging students to discover reading, writing, and listening strategies

[Language Lesson Contents](#) (click to see level's activities)

[Leap into Language 1](#)

[Leap into Language 2](#)

[Leap into Language 3](#)

Instructions and Navigation

No CD is required.

No teacher set up is required; the program keeps no records.



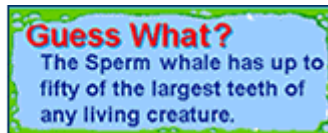
Students do not sign in to program; they simply click START and choose an activity.



"Read to Me" buttons allow students to listen to a section.



- 📌 **Section button** will tell you where you are in the program.
- 📌 **Back [arrow]** button will take you to the beginning of a section.
- 📌 **Menu** button will return you to the Table of Contents.
- 📌 **Forward [arrow]** button will take you forward one step at a time.
- 📌 **Exit** button will let you leave the program.
- 📌 Click on **Jerry the Jellyfish** to learn interesting whale facts.



Leap into Language 1 (grades K - 2)

Twenty eight lessons introduce basic reading, writing and listening strategies.

1. Letter Sounds

Students are introduced to initial consonants (primary and secondary spellings), initial consonant digraphs, and consonants in the final position through the following activities:

- Beginning Sounds
- Tricky Sounds
- Two-Letter Sounds
- End Sounds

2. Making Words

Students make words by adding a letter at the beginning and end of a word, play with turn around words "pot" and "top", and select rhyming words to complete four line poems. Cedric the Starfish loves to play with words through the following activities:

- Add a Beginning
- Add an Ending
- Turn Around Words
- Rhyming Word

3. Language Activities

Adding -ed, -ing, and -s to a word changes the way the word works in a sentence. Students have to make choices when adding the endings. Plurals are introduced in a novel way.

- Add -ing, -ed, -s
- More than One
- Problem Letters
- Order the Pictures

4. Fill in the Word (Cloze)

Students select the correct word from a word list to fill in a number of rhyming poems.

- Two-line Poem
- Four-line Poem
- Eight-line Poem

5. Learn to Read

Miranda the Sea Otter leads Little Blue through early reading behaviors: holding a book properly, reading from left to right, words, and spaces between words. Miranda explains lower case and capital letters and how words must be put in a certain order to make sense.

- Reading Words
- Words and Spaces
- Little Words

6. Stories and Questions

Mommy Blue and Little Blue have a frightening experience with Killer Whales. Students are asked questions and they must select the correct answers. Emphasis is on inferential comprehension.

- A Lesson for Little Blue
- Questions: A Lesson for Little Blue
- The Old Fishing Net
- Questions: The Old Fishing Net

7. Just for Fun

- Alpha Fun: Level A, B, & C
- Match the Letters: Level A & B
- Rhyming Words: Level A & B
- Making Words: Level A & B
- Letter Partners: Level A & B
- Alpha Order: Level A & B

Leap into Language 2 (grades 1 - 3)

Twenty lessons practice rhyming and reading skills.

1. Rhyming Words

Students practice reading strategies in the context of rhyming poems, finding rhyming words, and parts of words.

- Sound the Same
- Knowing a Part
- Quiz (listening for rhyming)

2. Alphabetical Order

Students order with first and second letters.

- Alpha Order
- Quiz

3. Writing Poetry

Students select words to create their own poems.

- Copycat
- Five Lines (Cinquain)

4. Whale Notebook

Focuses students on reading for information.

- Notebook
- Quiz

5. Journal (Days of the Week)

Penny the Puffin keeps a journal of her whale-watching journey. The journal is written at two different levels. Quizzes follow.

- Journal: Levels A –B present 7 entries each
- Quiz 1
- Quiz 2

6. Dictionary

Students interact with the dictionary to read and learn terms.

- Dictionary
- Quiz

7. Up, Down, Beside

Cedric the Starfish introduces concept words in context. A quiz follows the presentation.

- Words

8. Just for Fun

- Word Clock: Level A, B & C (Find spoken words)
- Memory Game: Level A & B
- Treasure Hunt: Level A, B, & C (Build sentences with given words.)
- Compound Fun: Level A & B
- Tricky Letters: Level: A (Match initial letters to sound.) & B (crossword puzzles)
- Word Parts: Level: A & B (Counting syllables)

[RETURN TO TOP](#)

Leap into Language 3 (grades 2 - 5)

Sixteen lessons build skills in multiple contexts.

1. Listening

Students learn the importance of listening by following instructions. Little Blue and Old Tom the Turtle teach the rules of good listening and encourage students to be courteous when working in small groups. The student distinguishes between fact and opinion, using critical listening skills.

- Following (oral) Instructions
- Fact or Opinion (classify oral statements from news broadcasts)
- Working In Small Groups (Rules for Good Listening)

2. Reading

Students discover differences between fiction and non-fiction. Students also learn how, in non-fiction, there are many different things to help them read: title, table of contents, pictures, illustrations, charts, maps, index, and glossary. Miranda the Sea Otter explains what an image is and how to visualize words by creating mental pictures. Story maps provide information about the characters, problems, situations, and settings in stories.

- Things to help you read (types of fiction/nonfiction, pre-reading tips, & parts of books)
- Story Map (following a story)
- Words and Images (match picture to sound)

3. Writing

Oscar the Octopus provides ideas, titles, and story starters, which are used as methods of planning stories. The concepts of drafting, revising, and editing are explained in an easy-to-understand format.

- Planning a Story
- Drafting and Revising
- Editing

4. Forms of Text

Students learn how to use a dictionary properly and discover how it is an important tool when writing. Students are introduced to many different types of text: poems, newspaper articles, and reference materials. Students also learn basic research skills and are provided with various topics to research.

- Dictionary (with quiz)
- Types of Text (non-interactive information on poem, story, letter, reference, journal, and note)
- Research and Ideas

5. Just for Fun

- Listening Soup: Levels A & B (listen and respond)
- Reading Salad: Levels A & B (choose appropriate pictures.)
- Writing Pie: Levels A (punctuation) & B (spacing between words)
- Tricky Text: Levels A (types of text) & B (meanings of words)

[RETURN TO TOP](#)