Where SMALL-group reading experiences lead to BIG success!
Reading Resources That Fit Your Classroom

The Superkids Reading Resources are packed with high-quality, high-interest texts and guided-reading lessons that will complement how you teach reading in grades K, 1, or 2. Flexible, familiar guided-reading routines and best practices ensure all your students develop into successful and confident early readers.

Also ideal for independent practice, partner reading, and read-alouds, our student texts include a variety of formats ranging from decodable books to magazines and trade books.

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Practice Blending Letter-Sounds

The Little Book of Blending provides lists of letter combinations and words for blending practice and instruction in small groups. Lists within this 12” x 9” tabletop flip chart correspond to The Superkids Library sequence of phonemes for kindergarten.
Build Reading Skills and Confidence

The Beginning Books Library is designed for students who are just starting to read, engaging them with a fun cast of characters—the Superkids. “Reading” the four wordless books, students become familiar with story structure and practice drawing conclusions. The remaining nine books are cumulatively decodable (they follow a sequence of phonetic elements), written at grade level, and designed to build students’ confidence as readers.

1. Introduce the book: Before reading, teachers build background and introduce key vocabulary words.

2. Guide reading: Teachers use text-dependent questions in the lesson to guide understanding.

3. Discuss the book after reading it: Lessons conclude with comprehension instruction applied to the text just read.

4. Independent Activities: Students respond to the book they’ve read in purposeful ways. Practice Pages reinforce comprehension or vocabulary.

Efficient Teacher Support Makes the Most of Your Small-Group Time

The Beginning Books Library Teacher’s Guide provides a four-part lesson and reproducible Practice Page for each book.
Introduce Informational Text Structures, Content, and Vocabulary

The **Informational Text Library** features 10 engaging, cumulatively decodable titles to explore a variety of science and social studies topics.

With teacher support, students develop decoding and fluency skills while building their understanding of informational text structures, content, and vocabulary. Like the other grade K libraries, the Teacher’s Guide includes one complete lesson and a reproducible Practice Page per book.

Instruction covers **content-area vocabulary words**.

Colorful, engaging **photos** help students confirm meaning, but they cannot guess the text from the photos alone.

Books feature informational **science and social studies topics**, such as animals that live in the grass.

Text is **cumulatively decodable**, it follows a sequence of phonetic elements.
Foster Decoding Skills and Reading Confidence

The Grade K Differentiated Libraries offer decoding, vocabulary, and comprehension skill development through reading about the lovable Superkids characters. Library books are engaging, cumulatively decodable, and differentiated so that all students can read successfully and build confidence. The three levels—easy, on-level, and challenging—differ by the amount of text and sentence complexity.

**Easy Library**
These 10 books have fewer words per page and shorter sentences than the on-level books and some patterned text—to help build decoding automaticity in emergent readers.

**On-Level Library**
A good fit for students with proficient reading skills, these 10 books have longer sentences and more words per page than the easy books.

**Challenging Library**
Offering more challenge for strong readers, these 10 books have more complex sentences, more words per page, and often more pages than the on-level books.

Before reading, students practice reading the word list on the inside front cover of their library book.

Teachers support students by helping them sound out decodable words and remember words from the word list.

Teacher-Tested Instruction Delivers Results with High-Interest Text
Teacher’s Guides for these libraries provide a lesson and reproducible Practice Page per book. Teachers support students’ reading of the book in small groups by monitoring their reading and asking questions to check understanding.

Pair this instruction with unit-aligned phonics practice using the Little Book of Blending.

Comprehension skills and strategies, such as distinguishing between reality and fantasy, are explicitly taught.
Build Decoding Automaticity and Fluency

The Little Book of Decoding provides lists of words for decoding practice and instruction in small groups. The word lists within this 12” x 9” tabletop flip chart follow the scope and sequence of phonics and structural analysis skills of the grade 1 Differentiated Libraries.

Decoding words in word families helps students recognize familiar sound-spelling patterns and improves their fluency by blending chunks within words.

Differentiated Libraries help ensure every student experiences the pleasure and sense of accomplishment that comes from reading a book independently.
Develop Comprehension and Vocabulary Skills

The Differentiated Libraries engage students with informational and literary grade-level text. The three levels—easy, on-level, and challenging—differ by the amount of text and sentence complexity, and the books are cumulatively decodable (they follow a sequence of phonetic elements).

Easy Library
These 16 books have fewer words per page and shorter sentences than the on-level books—designed for helping struggling readers build confidence and fluency.

On-Level Library
With longer sentences and more words per page than the easy books, these 16 books are a good fit for proficient first-grade readers.

Challenging Library
Offering more challenge for strong readers, these 16 books have more complex sentences, more words per page, and often more pages than the on-level books.

Informational and literary genres include science, social studies, biography, historical fiction, fantasy, and more.

Difficult vocabulary words are taught before and during reading.

High-Quality Resources Provide Variety and Rigor for Any Classroom
Teacher’s Guides contain two lessons and a reproducible Practice Page per book. Teachers guide students’ independent reading of the book and extend their understanding with comprehension instruction.

Pair this instructional phonics and structural analysis practice using the Little Book of Decoding.

Comprehension skills and strategies are explicitly taught.
Increase Background Knowledge and Vocabulary with Informational Text

SUPER is an engaging informational text magazine written just for second graders. Magazines explore eight unique cross-curricular themes and can be taught in any order to suit established science and social studies units. Articles include a variety of features, Super Shorts (short articles for developing fluency), and poems.

Instruction builds background knowledge and vocabulary and scaffolds students’ close reading through teacher think-alouds that model how to engage oneself in a conversation about text.

Students learn to read and enjoy nonfiction in an authentic form.

This science article about camels is one of seven features in Splish, Splash!, which tells the story of water on our planet.

Engaging photographs and illustrations bring science and social studies topics to life.
Rich Reading Instruction Supports Science and Social Studies Learning

SUPER Magazine Teacher’s Guides provide 10 lessons per 36-page magazine for teaching in small groups as well as reproducible Practice Pages. Differentiation tips throughout help teachers modify instruction for below-level and above-level readers.

Explicit vocabulary instruction for content-area words prompts students to use context clues to determine word meaning.

Instruction teaches students to use informational text features, such as headings, labels, photos, captions, charts, and diagrams.

These comprehension skills (and more) are taught:

- Summarize
- Identify main idea and recall details
- Draw and support conclusions
- Locate information in graphs and charts
- Understand cause and effect
- Connect text to self
- Compare and contrast
- Connect ideas in text
- Use context clues to figure out meaning

Discussion after reading develops critical-thinking, speaking, and listening skills.
Deepen Comprehension and Close Reading Skills with Authentic Literature

The Superkids Book Club features well-known trade books that capture students’ diverse interests and meet a wide range of second-grade reading abilities.

Small-group instruction focuses on comprehension and vocabulary and helps students build fluency with each book. Book Talk Journals correspond to each title and include text-dependent questions that encourage students to make connections to and write about text.

Many of the titles are the first in their own series to encourage students to keep reading the series independently for enjoyment.
Meet the Needs and Interests of Your Students with Flexible Resources

The Superkids Book Club Teacher’s Guides provide 10 lessons per trade book for teaching in small groups as well as reproducible Practice Pages. Teachers select the book that best fits each small group, choosing from titles with Lexile® levels from 260 to 760. A sequence of titles is recommended for students reading below, on, and above grade level, however The Superkids Book Club is completely flexible.

Comprehension questions prompt discussion of the text and its vocabulary.

Comprehension skills, such as recognizing problem and solution, deepen students’ understanding of the book.

Practice Pages with graphic organizers make comprehension and vocabulary instruction more concrete.
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