Fun with Letters encourages kids to read letters using numerous fonts they will encounter in the real world. This site encourages interaction with an adult and even scrapbooking, comparing and contrasting, and taking adventures together.

Mrs. P has a goal of giving kids a wonderful reading experience. This storyteller recreates the feel of story time while reading classic literature that kids will love.

Mama Lisa has nursery rhymes and children's songs from all over the world. Students can sort the songs by country, language, and types of song. Each song has lyrics to match the words and all songs are translated in English.

If you have any questions, speak to your student's teacher or email earlylit@hartfordschools.org

For more information, please visit www.hartfordschools.org/earlyliteracy

Visit any of the Hartford Public Library branches or your local library! www.hplct.org
CLASSROOM BOOKS IN UNIT 6
Ask your local librarian for books!

Whole Class Read Aloud:
- Cycle of Rice by Jan Reynolds
- Puffling Patrol by Ted and Betsy Lewin
- Seeds of Change by Jen Cullerton Johnson
- Are You My Mother by P. D. Eastman
- Leo the Late Bloomer by Robert Kraus

Whole Class Shared Reading—each student has their own copy of:
- Hey! You’re Eating my Homework by Della Ross Ferreri
- Leo and the Butterflies by Jan Reynolds
- Arrozito, Mi Nino by Lulu Delacre
- Saving Baby Animals

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS ADDRESSED IN UNIT:
• How can I describe the differences between different types of text?
• How is information connected across texts?
• How can I write about my opinion?
• How can I create an opinion based on what I am reading?

STUDENTS LEARNING TARGETS ALIGNED TO THE CONNECTICUT CORE STANDARDS
Your child can…
• compare and contrast books that tell stories and books that give information
• describe how two people, events, and/or ideas are connected in informational texts

ACTIVITIES FOR HOME:
Sentence Structure
• While reading, count how many capital letters there are on one page. Are they all the first word in a sentence? What else starts with a capital letter?

Digraphs
• Two consonants that come together to make a unique sound (Add Lu’s definition)
• How many words can you brainstorm that have a digraph? (/sh/, /th/, /wh/, /kn/, /ch/, /wr/, /ph/, /ck/)
  Whoever can think of the most gets to do a funny dance!

Compare and Contrast
When you COMPARE something, you are talking about how they are similar or alike.
When you CONTRAST something, you are talking about how they are different.