Why do good readers ask questions about words they don't know?

UNIT THEMES:
money, economics, problem-solving

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

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

Visit any of the Hartford Public Library branches or your local library! www.hplct.org

For additional resources please visit:

www.scratch.mit.edu
Scratch supports creating and programing interactive stories, games, and animation online, while encouraging creative thinking, reasoning, and collaboration. Products can even be shared with people around the world!

www.funbrain.com
This website provides free educational games, books, and comics for students grades PreK-8 that develop skills in reading, literacy, and math.

www.abcya.com
This website provides both literacy and math games sorted by grade level. While playing, children will be taught basic computer skills that will help them both in and out of the classroom.
CLASSROOM BOOKS IN UNIT 3
Ask your local librarian for books!

Whole Class Read Aloud:
- *Sam and the Lucky Money* by Karen Chinn
- *Rent Party Jazz* by William Miller
- *The Colors of Us* by Karen Katz
- *The Coin Counting Book* by Rozanne Lanczak Williams
- *Start Saving, Henry!* by Nancy Carlson

Whole Class Shared Reading—each student has their own copy of:
- *Ice Cream Money* by Anastasia Suen
- *Chinatown Adventure* by Laura E. Williams
- *The Store* by Bridie McBeath

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS ADDRESSED IN UNIT:
- What questions do I need to ask to learn new words?
- How do I write, draw or act out questions?
- How do I write, draw, or act new words I learned?

ACTIVITIES FOR HOME:
Look for letters on signs.
- Talk about letter names and sounds on common objects (book and baby both have the /b/ sound at the beginning).

Sight Words
- Sight words are words that students should be able to read as soon as they see the word.
  - went, are, this, look, for, get, come, that, play, was, hard
- Use play-doh to create these words. You can even use cookie dough to make the word. Then you can eat cookies after. Yum!

Letter Sounds
- w, k, e, q, y, v
- Ask your student to brainstorm words that start with these letter sounds. Keep a list on the fridge and add to it whenever the student identifies a new word!

STUDENTS LEARNING TARGETS ALIGNED TO THE CONNECTICUT CORE STANDARDS
Your child can:
- ask questions about unknown words in a literary text
- answer questions about unknown words in a literary text
- ask questions about words I don’t know in informational texts
- answer questions about words I don’t know in informational texts

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