

Teaching Reading Comprehension through Content Areas Planning Guide

Unit-Level:

Reading Comprehension Objective	What Science/Social Studies Sources Might I Use to Teach This?
Compare/contrast information in a paragraph	
Identify clue words that tell whether a sentence is positive or negative	

Lesson-Level:

Lesson Component	Notes/Ideas
Reviewing compare/contrast clue words (e.g. alike, both, however), and in lessons 10-12 reviewing pro/con clue words (e.g. bad, advantage)	
Teacher-led reading of trade books followed by class discussion	
Vocabulary development [lesson-specific]	

Student reading of the target compare/contrast paragraph followed by teacher re-reading	
Student analysis of target paragraph, with coloring	
of different clue words and discussion of the	
differences/similarities between the animals	
Graphic organizer in a matrix style to	
compare/contrast animal characteristics	
Compare/contrast questions from the teacher	
Student summary using a paragraph frame	
Lesson review	