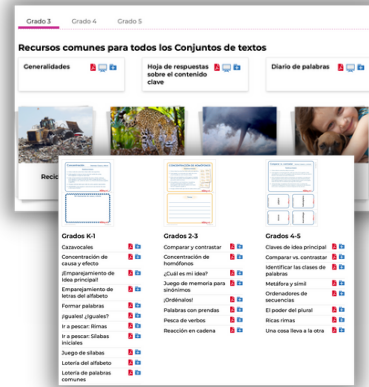




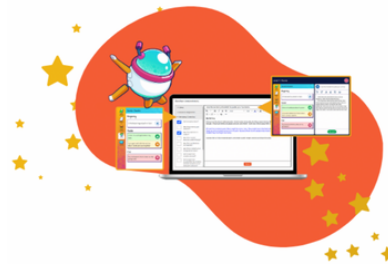
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PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Ask a Learning A-Z Expert
Join us on April 14th or May 5th

During this 1 hour live session, a Learning A-Z expert will be available to answer any questions about the resources and features on Reading A-Z, Raz Plus and Raz Kids.

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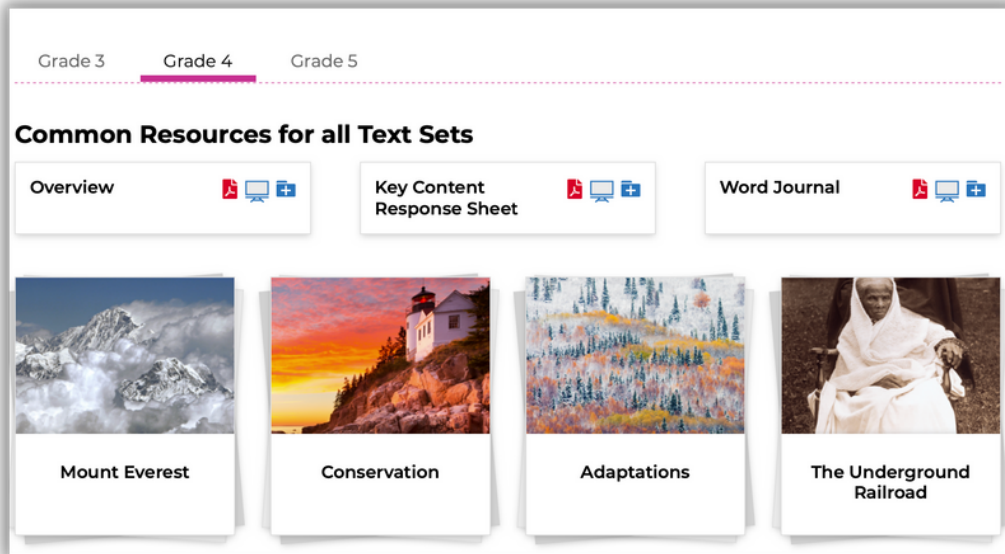
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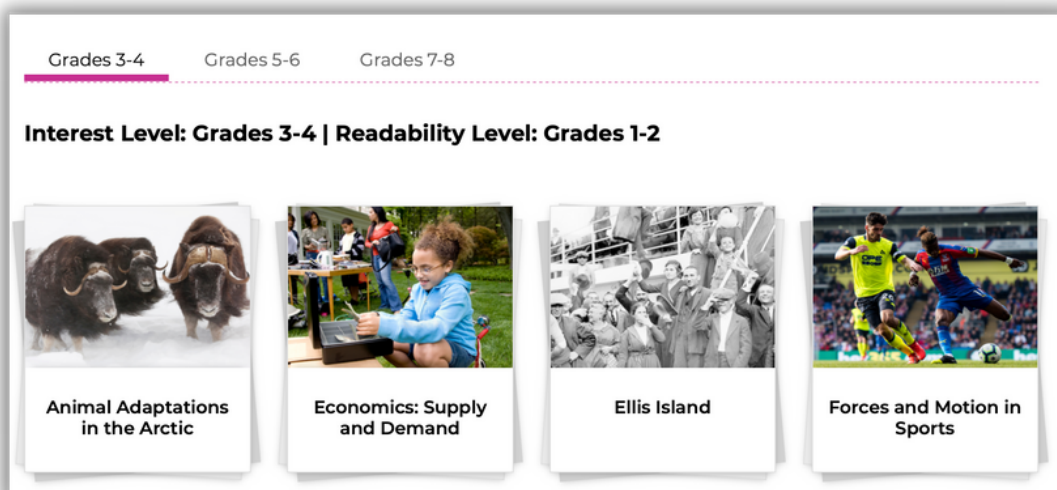
Text Sets

- Concepts increase in complexity as students read through text
- Organized around a specific topic
- Scaffolded approach to build background knowledge and vocabulary that supports ability to read grade-level texts successfully



High/Low Text Sets

- Support struggling readers---students with high interest who need texts at low readability
- Organized around a specific science or social studies topic
- Build vocabulary and background knowledge that supports understanding of concepts



ADD-ON: RAZ-PLUS ESPAÑOL

NOTE: Students with access to the Español add-on will find all their Spanish resources in the Lectura en español planet – including Raz-Plus Spanish translated books and resources.

- The Raz-Plus Español add-on now features assignable **Text Sets** (or “Conjuntos de textos”) for grades 3-5. Text sets provide opportunities for teachers to differentiate instruction based on students' reading levels and interests.

Grado 3 Grado 4 Grado 5

Recursos comunes para todos los Conjuntos de textos

Generalidades

Hoja de respuestas sobre el contenido clave

Diario de palabras

Reciclaje

Animales en peligro de extinción

Seguridad en climas extremos

Animales de refugios

- Raz-Plus Español add-on will now offer a variety of **printable game sheets** (or “Juegos”) for grades K-5.



Grados K-1

- Cazavocales
- Concentración de causa y efecto
- ¡Emparejamiento de idea principal!
- Emparejamiento de letras del alfabeto
- Formar palabras
- ¡Iguales! ¿Iguales?
- Ir a pescar: Rimas
- Ir a pescar: Sílabas iniciales
- Juego de sílabas
- Lotería del alfabeto
- Lotería de palabras comunes



Grados 2-3

- Comparar y contrastar
- Concentración de homófonos
- ¿Cuál es mi idea?
- Juego de memoria para sinónimos
- ¡Ordénalos!
- Palabras con prendas
- Pesca de verbos
- Reacción en cadena



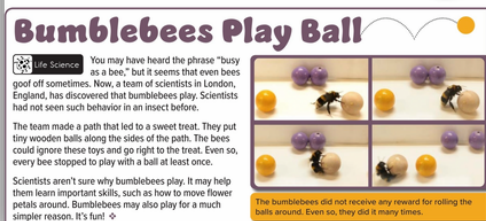
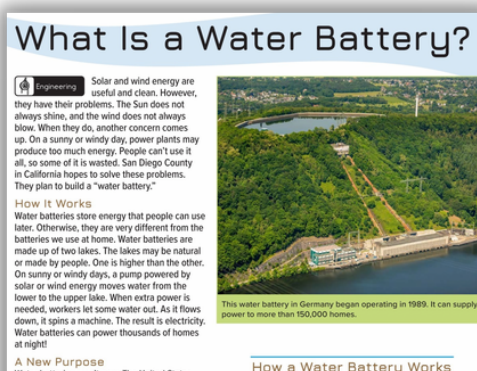
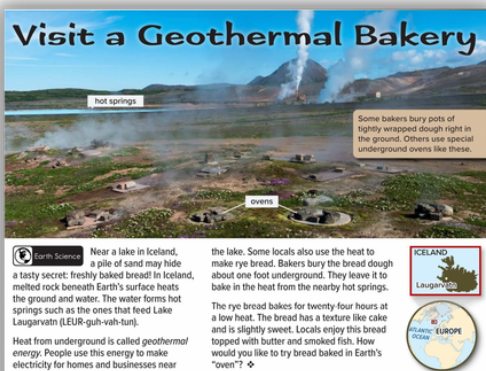
Grados 4-5

- Claves de idea principal
- Comparar vs. contrastar
- Identificar las clases de palabras
- Metáfora y símil
- Ordenadores de secuencias
- El poder del plural
- Ricas rimas
- Una cosa lleva a la otra

SCIENCE IN THE NEWS

Science A-Z's **Science in the News** series builds on student engagement with an April issue containing articles such as:

- Glass Frogs Vanish at Night
- The Secret to Roman Concrete
- Visit a Geothermal Bakery
- Bumblebees Play Ball
- What Is a Water Battery?



NEW WRITING A-Z AT A GLANCE

NEW Writing A-Z

- Flexible curriculum of **80 lessons across six grade levels**
- Explicit, easy-to-use lesson plans that teach genre and the writing process together
- Lessons follow gradual release model of instruction (I Do, We Do, You Do)
- Built-in flexibility with two implementation pathways
- Embedded, point-of-use professional development
- Engaging student experience with writing and grammar interactivities
- Allows students (Grades 2-5) to complete the writing process 100% digitally

