

## Suggestions for Use

- I made this unit to go along with the book, Hoot by Carl Hiaasen.
- The thought is that you would be reading it aloud to your class at a rate of about 1 chapter per day.
- Be sure to give each student their own copy of the story board (pg. 7) to use while reading and discussing the story.
- Benefits of reading out loud, even to classes made up of severely affected students:
- Teaches students to sit quietly even when there isn't something for them to do. This is such an important life skill. We all have to spend time sitting and listening to someone we are not that interested in at some point.
- Parents will LOVE you. Not only will they be excited their child is being exposed to age appropriate material, but you are teaching them how to sit quietly, which will hopefully transfer to home as well.
- Even with your lowest level learners, you will have 1 or 2 that will truly enjoy the story.
- It can be a calming experience to sit and listen to the teacher read in a methodical way.


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- For students who need more structure, place the number of post-it notes in front of him/her that corresponds to the number of pages you intend to read. Remove a post-it as you finish each page. The visual will help lessen their anxiety.
- As you finish each chapter, there is an activity for your students to complete.
- Differentiation:
- For any activity, you can quickly differentiate for your lower level learners by using a color coding technique.
- If sorting. outline each sorting category a certain color and them outline the corresponding pictures the same color.
- Becomes a matching task.
- I purposefully did not include an assessment in this unit, because I did not feel that would be the goal of reading a higher level novel over such an extended period of time. Instead, you should be focused on shaping and teaching the behavior of sitting.
- I have started adding an option to use when you want students to have to choose between correct and incorrect answers in some of the activities. I am still including an errorless version as well. Hopefully, this will address even move learning levels in your class!
- Starting with this novel unit, I will now have two separate files, one in color and one in black and white. I hope this will make it easier for printing and referencing. There will be some duplication, but the price will not increase.



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Where: Livestock Arena


Answer the following questions about the rodeo.
Who: Bring your whole

1. Where is the rodeo being held?

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 난 Match the container with what is most likely inside.


Going on a bike ride

Going on a bike ride makes me feel


It would be great to take a ride all the way to the

## writing prompts

## Burrowing Owls

Burrowing owls are a very special kind of owl. Rather than making a nest in the top of a tall tree, they dig a hole in the ground to lay their eggs and live.

These owls like large open fields with only a little bit of short grass. They will dig their own hole or use an old one where a prairie dog used to live.

These owls are brown with cream spots. They have a white throat and white eyebrows. They are also fairly small, about the size of a robin.


Like most owls, they like to hunt dur Burrowing $\bigcirc$ wls
Paste a picture of an owl next to each fact.

To see a cool video on these owls gc https://youtu.be/E-PQYTOTnPw


I think it would be cool to add $\square$


2. Burrowing owls eat insects and small animals.
3. Burrowing owls hunt during the night.
4. Burrowing owls are brown with spots and with white eyebrows.
5. Burrowing owls like flat land with just a little bit of short grass.


