

BAKERSFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Curriculum and Standards

Revised
9/04/07

Houghton Mifflin Language Arts
Pacing Calendar 2007-2008 – Grade 4

August 2007				
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Back to School Unit: <i>The Pumpkin Runner</i> August 20 – 24 (5 days)	Suggested Days
Introducing California Standards (Yellow Tab) Back to School Lessons Unit Wrap-Up and Informal Classroom Assessment/Launch Theme 1 Baseline Writing Prompt August 20 – August 24 (Select one day.)*	5

September 2007				
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THEME 1: <i>Journeys</i> August 27 – October 8 (30 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>Personal Narrative</i> To be taught throughout the theme	Suggested Days
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Paca and Beetle</i> Anthology: <i>Akiak</i>	7
Labor Day September 3	
Back to School Night September 11	
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Around the World in 20 Days</i> Anthology: <i>Grandfather's Journey</i>	7
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Braving the Pacific on a Bamboo Raft</i> Anthology: <i>Finding the Titanic</i>	7
Selection 4: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>On the Frontier with Mr. Audubon</i> Anthology: <i>By the Shores of Silver Lake</i>	7
FOCUS ON: Mysteries Theme 1 Assessment October 4 - 8 First Writing Prompt Launch Theme 2	2
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Theme 1 Assessment scanned by October 11 First Writing Prompt October 4-5 (Select one day.) First Writing Prompt scanned by October 12	

October 2007				
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*Use as entry level data and save for end-of-year reflection.

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October 2007				
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THEME 2: <i>American Stories</i>	Suggested Days
October 9 – November 21 (31 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>Description</i> To be taught throughout the theme	
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>E. B. White: Animal Lover and Animal Author</i> Anthology: <i>Tomás and the Library Lady</i>	7
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>No Plans? No Problem!</i> Anthology: <i>Tanya’s Reunion</i> End of First Grading Period October 19	7
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>What’s for Dinner?</i> Anthology: <i>Boss of the Plains</i>	7
Selection 4: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The Lady with the Green Skin</i> Anthology: <i>A Very Important Day</i>	7
Parent Conferences November 5-9	
Veteran’s Day November 12	
FOCUS ON: Plays Theme 2 Assessment November 19 - 21 Launch Theme 3	3
Thanksgiving Vacation November 22– 23	
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Theme 2 Assessment scanned by November 27	

*Report Cards are to be released during Parent Conference Week.

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December 2007				
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THEME 3: <i>That's Amazing!</i> November 26 – December 21 (20 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Story</i> To be taught throughout the theme	Suggested Days
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Why Raven Stays for the Winter</i> Anthology: <i>The Stranger</i>	6
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Cinderella</i> Anthology: <i>Cendrillon</i>	6
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Yes, It Really Can Rain Frogs!</i> Anthology: <i>Heat Wave!</i> Winter Summative Second Writing Prompt	8
Winter Break December 24 – January 4	
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Second Writing Prompt December 17 - 19 (Select one day.) Second Writing Prompt scanned by December 21 Winter Summative December 18 - 20 Winter Summative scanned by January 9	

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January 2008				
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THEME 4: <i>Problem Solvers</i> January 7 – February 20 (30 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Persuasive Essay</i> To be taught throughout the theme	Suggested Days
Launch Theme 4 Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The Stone in the Road</i> Anthology: <i>My Name Is María Isabel</i> End of Second Grading Period January 11	7
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day January 21	
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Adrianna’s Chickens</i> Anthology: <i>Marven of the Great North Woods</i>	7
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The Frog</i> Anthology: <i>The Last Dragon</i> Report to Parents sent home January 25	7
Lincoln Day February 11	
Selection 4: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>The Storyteller</i> Anthology: <i>Sing to the Stars</i>	7
Washington Day February 18	
FOCUS ON: Poetry Theme 4 Assessment February 15 – 20 Launch Theme 5	2
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Theme 4 Assessment scanned by February 25	

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THEME 5: <i>Heroes</i> February 21 – April 4 (26 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Personal Essay</i> To be taught throughout the theme	Suggested Days
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Avalanche!</i> Anthology: <i>Happy Birthday, Dr. King!</i>	7
CST Writing Test March 4 (March 5 Make-up only)	1
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Kids Did It! Real-Life Heroes</i> Anthology: <i>Gloria Estefan</i> Spring Summative End of Third Grading Period March 14	9
Spring Break March 17-21	
In Lieu of Admission Day March 24	
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Animals in Action</i> Anthology: <i>Lou Gehrig: The Luckiest Man</i> Third Writing Prompt	7
FOCUS ON: Pourquoi Tales	2
Report to Parents sent home March 28	
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: Third Writing Prompt March 25 - 27 (Select one day.) Third Writing Prompt scanned by April 1 Spring Summative March 11 - 13 Spring Summative scanned by March 26	

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THEME 6: <i>Nature: Friend and Foe</i> April 7 – May 29 (28 days) Reading Writing Workshop: <i>A Research Report</i> To be taught throughout the theme	Suggested Days
Selection 1: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Caves: Wonders in the Dark</i> Anthology: <i>Salmon Summer</i>	7
Standards Review and Enrichment	3
STAR Testing	10
Selection 2: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>They Lived to Tell</i> Anthology: <i>Wildfires</i>	7
Selection 3: Teacher Read Aloud: <i>Balto: Brave Sled Dog</i> Anthology: <i>Skylark</i> Baseline/Fourth Writing Prompt Reflection* Fourth Writing Prompt Theme 6 Assessment May 21 – 23	7
Memorial Day May 26	
Standards Review and Enrichment Report to Parents sent home May 29	4
ASSESSMENT SUMMARY: STAR Testing Window April 21 – May 2 Fourth Writing Prompt May 13-15 (Select one day.) Fourth Writing Prompt scanned by May 21 Theme 6 Assessment scanned by May 29	

*Compare Baseline Writing with Fourth Writing Prompt to assess growth.

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