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**Grade 2
Writing**
Firsthand
Books

"Designed to be the second unit in first grade, Word Detectives supports

students' word solving skills and their knowledge of high-frequency words. This playful unit expands on the important work that the entire series does to support youngsters' foundational reading skills"-

-Publisher's website.

Units of Study for Teaching Writing

Heinemann Educational Books
 In Reading in the Wild, reading expert Donalyn Miller continues the

conversation that began in her bestselling book, *The Book Whisperer*. While *The Book Whisperer* revealed the secrets of getting students to love reading, *Reading in the Wild*, written with reading teacher Susan Kelley, describes how to truly instill lifelong "wild" reading habits in our students. Based, in part, on survey responses from adult readers as well as students,

Reading in the Wild offers solid advice and strategies on how to develop, encourage, and assess five key reading habits that cultivate a lifelong love of reading. Also included are strategies, lesson plans, management tools, and comprehensive lists of recommended books. Copublished with Editorial Projects in Education, publisher of *Education Week* and *Teacher* magazine,

Reading in the Wild is packed with ideas for helping students build capacity for a lifetime of "wild" reading. "When the thrill of choice reading starts to fade, it's time to grab Reading in the Wild. This treasure trove of resources and management techniques will enhance and improve existing classroom systems and structures."
—Cris Tovani, secondary teacher, Cherry Creek School District, Colorado, consultant, and author of Do I Really Have to Teach Reading? "With Reading in the Wild, Donalyn Miller gives educators another important book. She reminds us that creating a lifelong reader goes far beyond the first step of putting good books into kids' hands."
—Franki Sibberson, third-grade teacher, Dublin City Schools, Dublin, Ohio, and author of Beyond Leveled Books "Reading in the Wild, along with the now legendary The Book Whisperer, constitutes the complete guide to creating a stimulating literature program that also gets students excited about pleasure reading, the kind of reading that best prepares students for understanding demanding academic texts. In other words, Donalyn Miller has solved

one of the central problems in language education." —Stephen Krashen, professor emeritus, University of Southern California
The Book Whisperer
 Firsthand While challenging the teacher as hero trope, We Got This shows how authentically listening to kids is the closest thing to a superpower that we have. Cornelius identifies tools, attributes, and

strategies that can augment our listening. A Quick Guide to Teaching Informational Writing, Grade 2 Firsthand This series of books is designed to help upper elementary teachers teach a rigorous yearlong writing curriculum. Bigger Books Mean Amping Up Reading Power Firsthand Books This series of books is designed to help upper-elementary teachers teach a

rigorous yearlong writing curriculum. 5 Kinds of Nonfiction Firsthand Books "We have never seen teachers work harder than we do now. These tools inspire kids to work as hard as we are." - Kate Roberts and Maggie Beattie Roberts What's DIY Literacy? It's making your own visual teaching tools instead of buying them. It's using your teaching smarts to get the most from

those tools. And it's helping kids think strategically so they can be DIY learners. "Teaching tools create an impact on students' learning," write Kate Roberts and Maggie Beattie Roberts. "They help students hold onto our teaching and become changed by the work in the classroom." Of course, you and your students need the right tools for the job, so first Kate and Maggie share	four simple, visual tools that you can make. Then they show how to maximize your instructional know-how with suggestions for using the tools to: make your reading and writing strategies stick motivate students to reach for their next learning goal differentiate instruction simply and quickly. Kate and Maggie are like a friendly, handy neighbor. They offer experience-	honed advice for using the four tools for assessment, small-group instruction, conferring, setting learning goals, and, most important, helping students learn to apply strategies and make progress without prompting from you. In other words, to do it themselves. "It is our greatest hope," write Kate and Maggie, "that the tools we offer here will help your students to
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work hard, to hold onto what they know, and to see themselves in the curriculum you teach."

Try DIY

Literacy and help your readers and writers take learning into their own hands.

Units of Study in Argument, Information, and Narrative Writing

Heinemann Educational Books

"In second grade, children move from a "little-kid" focus on print to a "big-kid" focus on meaning. The

first unit, *Second-Grade Reading Growth Spurt*, teaches children to take charge of their reading, drawing on everything they know to figure out hard words, understand author's craft, and build big ideas about the books they read. Children learn that books can be their teachers in the second unit, *Becoming Experts: Reading Nonfiction*, in which they learn more about familiar

topics and grow understanding of new topics while working on word solving, vocabulary development, and comparing and contrasting information across texts. In the third unit, *Bigger Books Mean Amping Up Reading Power*, children learn strategies to build three foundational reading skills--fluency, understanding figurative language, and comprehension. In the final

unit for second grade, Series Book Clubs, children work within book clubs to study author's craft to understand ways authors use word choice, figurative language, punctuation, and even patterns to construct a series and evoke feelings in readers"-- Pearson.com. *A Quick Guide to Teaching Persuasive Writing, K-2* Heinemann Educational Books From fairy tales to five-paragraph

essays, Kumon Writing Workbooks offer a complete program to improve the development and organization of ideas and expand vocabulary. Our fun and innovative exercises inspire creativity and the desire to write. [A Guide to the Reading Workshop, Intermediate Grades](#) Firsthand Books "Writing allows each of us to live with that special wide-

awakeness that comes from knowing that our lives and our ideas are worth writing about." -Lucy Calkins Teaching Writing is Lucy Calkins at her best-a distillation of the work that's placed Lucy and her colleagues at the forefront of the teaching of writing for over thirty years. This book promises to inspire teachers to teach with renewed passion and power and to invigorate the entire school

day. This is a book for readers who want an introduction to the writing workshop, and for those who've lived and breathed this work for decades. Although Lucy addresses the familiar topics—the writing process, conferring, kinds of writing, and writing assessment—she helps us see those topics with new eyes. She clears away the debris to show us the teeny details, and she shows

us the majesty and meaning, too, in these simple yet powerful teaching acts. Download a sample chapter for more information. **Writing Pathways** Taylor & Francis Part of a year-long curriculum of units about primary writing **A Teacher's Guide to Standardized Reading Tests** John Wiley & Sons Originally published as part of the bestselling series: Units

of study in opinion/argument, information, and narrative writing [Grades K-8]. [The How-to Guide for Nonfiction Writing](#) Kumon Writing Workbooks Lucy Calkins and her colleagues at the Reading and Writing Project have helped thousands of educators design their own pathways to the Common Core. Now, with Pathways to the Common Core, they are ready to help

you find your way. Designed for teachers, school leaders, and professional learning communities looking to navigate the gap between their current literacy practices and the ideals of the Common Core, Pathways to the Common Core will help you: understand what the standards say, suggest, and what they don't say; recognize the guiding principles that underpin the reading and

writing standards; identify how the Common Core's infrastructure supports a spiraling K-12 literacy curriculum; and scrutinize the context in which the CCSS were written and are being unrolled. In addition to offering an analytical study of the standards, this guide will also help you and your colleagues implement the standards in ways that lift the level of teaching and learning

throughout your school.--
Reading in the Wild
Heinemann Educational Books
"Up the Ladder Reading: Nonfiction is for upper-grade readers--and teachers--who are new to the norms and culture of reading workshop, and for readers who would benefit from foundational instruction in the skills of reading nonfiction. By instilling strong habits and routines, this unit will support

students in taking charge of their own reading lives and reading nonfiction with curiosity and engagement as they learn deeply about the world around them"-

- [Pathways to the Common Core](#) Firsthand "The new Units of study in phonics provide a lean and concise instructional pathway in phonics that is realistic and doable, and that taps into kids' skills and energy for tackling the fabulous challenge of

learning to read and write, introduce high-leverage phonics concepts and strategies in a way that keeps pace with students' reading and writing and helps them understand when, how, and why they can use phonics to read and write, offer delightfully fun and engaging storylines, classroom mascots, songs, chants, rhymes, and games to help students fall head over

heels in love with phonics and to create a joyous community of learners, align with state-of-the-art reading and writing workshops for a coherent approach in which terminology, tools, rituals, and methods are shared in ways that benefit both teachers and kids."-- provided by publisher. [The Art of Information Writing](#) Firsthand Books This book reflects the authors' belief

that in order to be less victimized by tests, we need to be more knowledgeable about them. <i>A Quick Guide to Teaching Second-Grade Writers with Units of Study</i> Heinemann Educational Books "Informational writing is the perfect genre for second graders because nobody is more curious about the workings of the world and is more eager to tell you a zillion facts about the topic at hand." Marika Paez	Wiesen Informational writing taps into second graders natural inclination to explore and excitedly share the new and strange discoveries that fill their worlds on a daily basis. Marika Paez Wiesen offers a framework that will help you harness this energy and implement an informational writing unit of study that thoughtfully addresses the wide range of learners typically found in a second	grade classroom. Addressing the heightened emphasis on reading and writing informational texts in the Common Core State Standards and on state tests, this unit of study guides you through the entire writing process. After considering how to plan and prepare an informational writing unit that builds on young writers' passions, interests, and abilities, Marika
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describes how to get started choosing topics, planning a draft, and beginning to write chapters. Ensuing chapters explore ways to elaborate on and revise these chapters with an eye towards addressing conventions and using features common to nonfiction texts. The final chapter offers ideas on how best to celebrate this writing and extend this learning

across the curriculum. A Quick Guide to Teaching Informational Writing, Grade 2 is part of the Workshop Help Desk series. About the Workshop Help Desk series The Workshop Help Desk series is designed for teachers who believe in workshop teaching and who have already rolled up their sleeves enough to have encountered the predictable challenges. If you've

struggled to get around quickly enough to help all your students, if you've wondered how to tweak your teaching to make it more effective and lasting, if you've needed to adapt your teaching for English learners, if you've struggled to teach grammar or nonfiction writing or test prep...if you've faced these and other specific, pressing challenges, then this series is for

you. Provided in a compact 5" x 7" format, the Workshop Help Desk series offers pocket-sized professional development. For a comprehensive overview of the Units of Study in Opinion/Argument, Information, and Narrative series, including sample minilessons, sample videos, frequently asked questions and more, visit UnitsofStudy.com.
Boxes and

Bullets
Firsthand Books
Once upon a time...children's nonfiction books were stodgy, concise, and not very kid friendly. Most were text heavy, with just a few scattered images decorating the content and meaning, rather than enhancing it. Over the last 20 years, children's nonfiction has evolved into a new breed of visually dynamic and engaging texts. In 5 Kinds of

Nonfiction: Enriching Reading and Writing Instruction with Children's Books , Melissa Stewart and Dr. Marlene Correia present a new way to sort nonfiction into five major categories and show how doing so can help teachers and librarians build stronger readers and writers. Along the way, they: Introduce the 5 kinds of nonfiction: Active, Browseable, Traditional, Expository Literature, and

Narrative - ;and explore each category through discussions, classroom examples, and insights from leading children's book authorsOffer tips for building strong, diverse classroom texts and library collectionsProvide more than 20 activities to enhance literacy instructionInclude innovative strategies for sharing and celebrating nonfiction with students.With more than 150 exemplary nonfiction book recommendations and Stewart and Correia's extensive knowledge of literacy instruction, 5 Kinds of Nonfiction will elevate your understanding of nonfiction in ways that speak specifically to the info-kids in your classrooms, but will inspire all readers and writers.

Leading Well
 Firsthand Children have voices that need to be heard and ideas that need to be understood. Building on this premise Sarah describes why you should try a persuasive writing unit of study, describes two units of study for the primary classroom, and lists tips and ideas for helping students get their persuasive writing out into the world. A Quick Guide to Teaching Persuasive Writing is part of the Workshop Help Desk series. About

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Units of Study for Teaching Reading

Heinemann Educational Books
In A Quick Guide to Reaching Struggling

Writers
Colleen Cruz
shows how to
stop
struggling
with writers
who struggle.
You'll find
effective
support for
students who
say: I'm not a
good writer;
My hand
hurts; I don't
know how to
spell; I don't
have anything
to write about;
I never get to
write anything
I want to
write; I'm
done. A Quick
Guide to
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series is
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believe in
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who have
already rolled
up their
sleeves
enough to
have
encountered
the
predictable
challenges. If
you've
struggled to
get around
quickly
enough to
help all your
writers, if
you've
wondered how
to tweak your
teaching to

make it more
effective and
lasting, if
you've needed
to adapt your
teaching for
English
learners, if
you've
struggled to
teach
grammar or
nonfiction
writing or test
prep...if
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Second-Grade Reading Growth Spurt
John Wiley & Sons
"I'm convinced that Howard Gardner was right when he suggested

that all leaders need chances to retreat to the mountains. I hope this book gives you metaphorical mountains. I hope that *Leading Well* allows you to step back from the hurly burly of school leadership, to see far horizons, to breathe a new kind of air, and to return home with new energy and vision. And more than that, I hope the book helps you give the teachers and children in your care their own

metaphorical mountains; because in the end, good leaders create leaders." - Lucy Calkins
In Leading Well: Building Schoolwide Excellence in Reading and Writing, Lucy Calkins draws on the transformative work that she and her colleagues at the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project have done in partnership with school leaders over the last thirty years. Travel to any corner of this country,

inquire about the schools that are winning acclaim for their joyous and rigorous schoolwide literacy work, and you're apt to find yourself hearing about the results of the remarkable community of practice that has taken root around reading and writing workshop instruction. This book, like the work of the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project itself, is deeply

research-based and principled, while also absolutely practical and real-world tested. Leading Well will provide you with the inspiration and energy you need to rally your teachers to outgrow their own best teaching practices and tackle predictable challenges. Additionally, Leading Well will remind you that you are part of a vibrant community of practice. You'll learn

not only from Lucy Calkins and from contributing authors, Mary Ehrenworth and Laurie Pessah, but also from talented, tenacious, and imaginative school leaders who are creating new horizons for the world of education. Topics addressed include: Planning for Literacy Reform Supporting teachers in implementing reading and writing workshops Tapping the insight and

talents of teachers, and rallying key individuals to join your cabinet of literacy leaders Honing your vision for reform and communicating it to the whole school Leading through influence rather than compliance Lifting the Level of Teaching Defining the goals for your teachers and the priorities for students Establishing the structures and culture that support these goals	and priorities Protecting independent reading and writing time for students and planning time for teachers Identifying ways to coach and nurture teachers' skills in the specific methods of instruction of the Units of Study Supporting teachers' continuing professional development Building Structures across the School and Community Setting up feedback cycles through	instructional rounds and targeted conversations Putting in place rituals and traditions to support your school community's unique character Addressing resistance with radical candor and learning from it Staying the course while integrating new initiatives Engaging parents and building your own professional learning community The book is for school leaders who've invited their
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teachers to join them in the exhilarating work of adopting a dynamic, rigorous, student-

centered language arts curriculum. It is for school leaders who have taken on the challenge of

transforming their whole school into a place where everyone's potential, for learning and for growth, is sky high.