

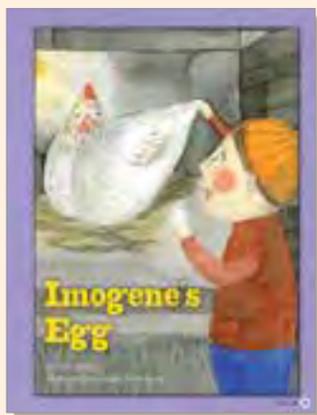
# HOW DOES IT WORK?

*Word Heroes* helps teachers get the most out of their instructional time by delivering power-packed 20-minute lessons.

Through a variety of age-appropriate activities and a highly active 5-day routine, *Word Heroes* adds an instructional punch to your day by combining essential elements of literacy instruction.

## Day 1: Read Aloud and Teach New Words

- Prompts embedded in the read-aloud **foster engagement with the text.**
- Child-friendly definitions and research-based routines **make words easy to teach.**



## Day 2: Build Comprehension

- Discussion points **prompt students to discuss** words and text together.
- Interactive vocabulary activities help students **apply words in new contexts.**

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## Day 3: Engage with Words and Text

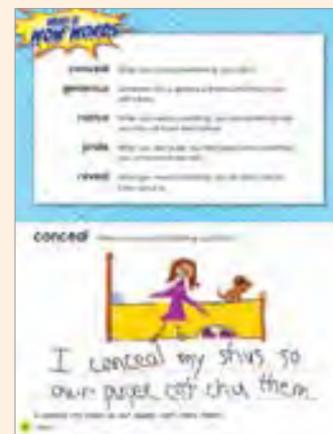
- Photo cards **give a new visual context for discussion** and have teacher tips on the back.
- A guided retelling of the selection lets **students act out key events and details.**



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## Day 4: Deepen Understanding

- Close reading activities model how to **dive deeper into texts.**
- Personal *Word Heroes* Journal entries let students **make the words their own.**



## Day 5: Demonstrate Learning

- A wrap-up activity **motivates students to continue using new words.**
- A short assessment and journal activity shows the **progress for that week.**



## Review Week: Reinforce and Celebrate Learning

- After three weeks of instruction, the unit concludes with a Cumulative 5-day Review that **reinforces learning.**
- Wow Words and close reading activities are revisited in **discussions, writing lessons, games, and a Word Heroes celebration!**



## SUPPORT ENGLISH LEARNERS

Daily support for English language learners is built in during the reading, discussions, skills instruction, activities, and games.

## BOOST LANGUAGE AT HOME

The **Daily Word** newsletters, the *Word Heroes* chart, and the wearable **Wowbands** keep families involved and supercharge language at home.



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## WORD HEROES JOURNAL

*Word Heroes Journals* provide an opportunity for students to show what they know by using Wow Words in their own writing. Over time, journals become:

- An authentic representation of students' understanding.
- A valuable tool for portfolio assessment.
- A prized keepsake for children and families.

