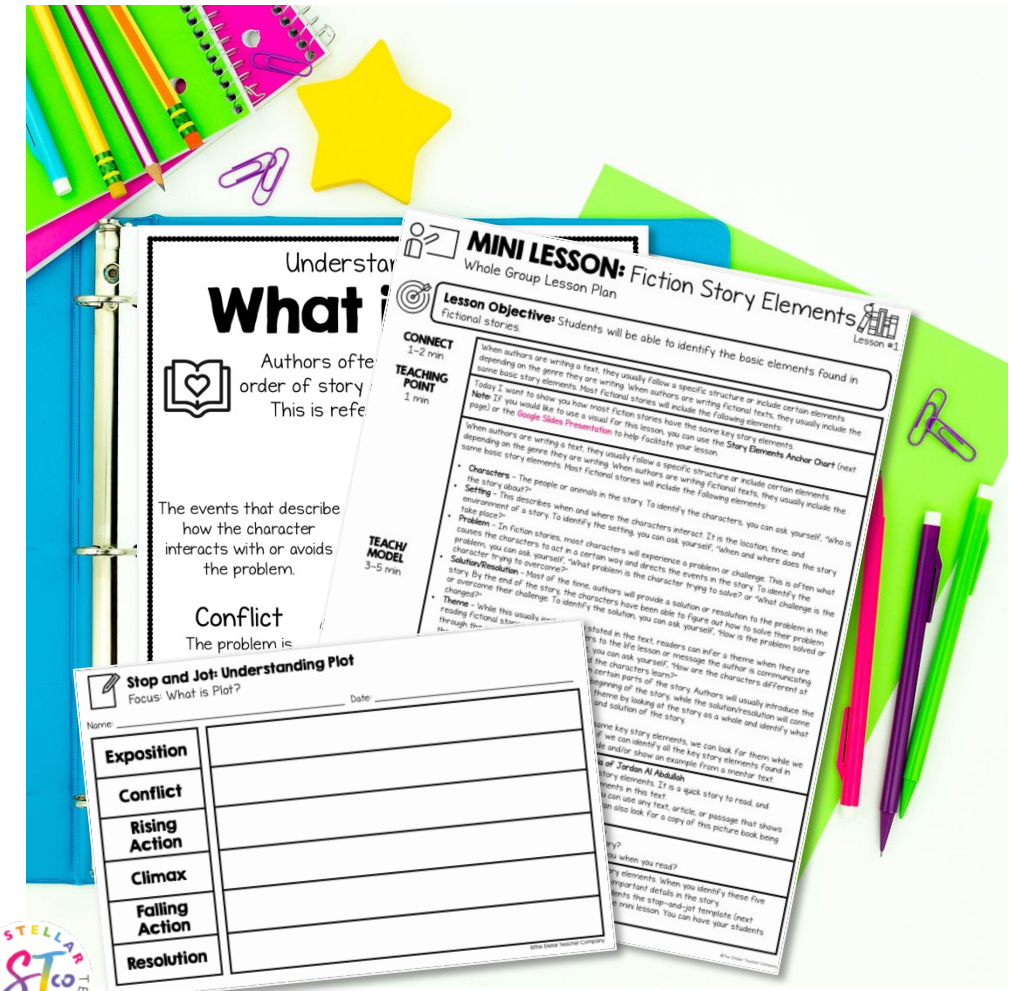
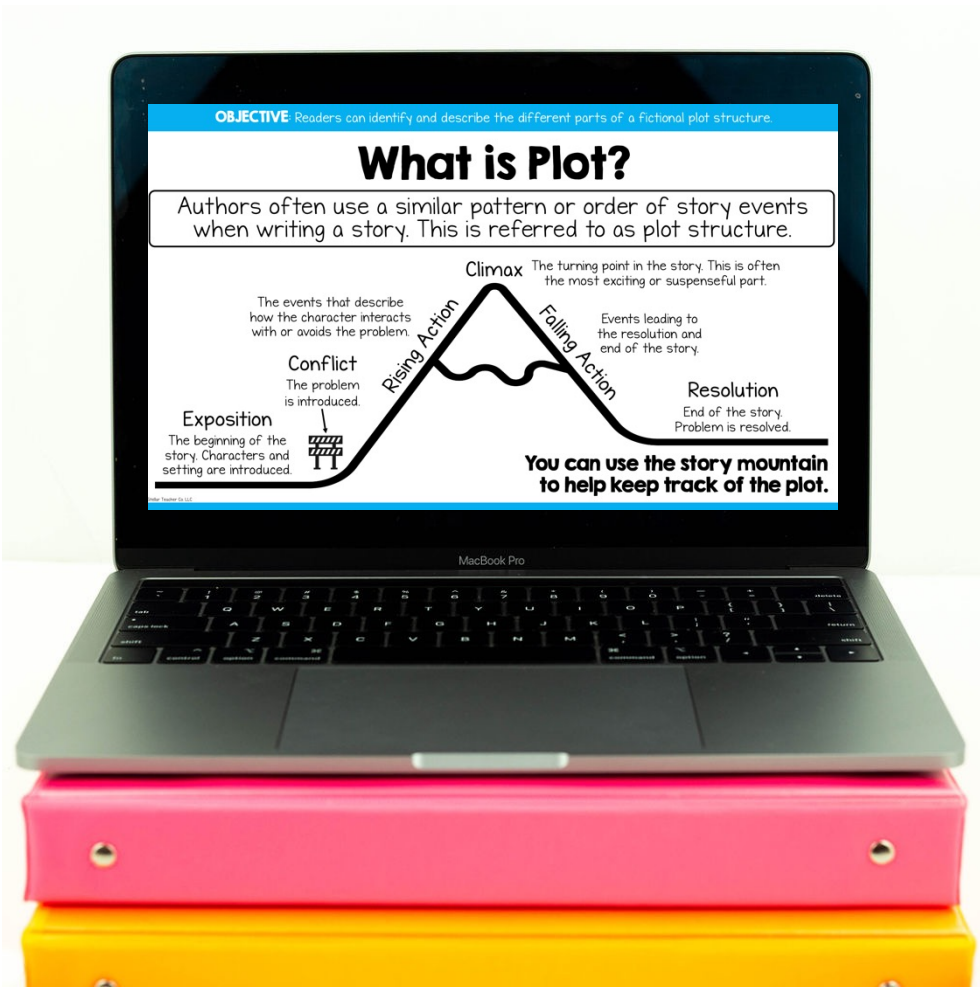
PLOT & STORY EVENTS

10 Low Prep Reading Lesson Sets

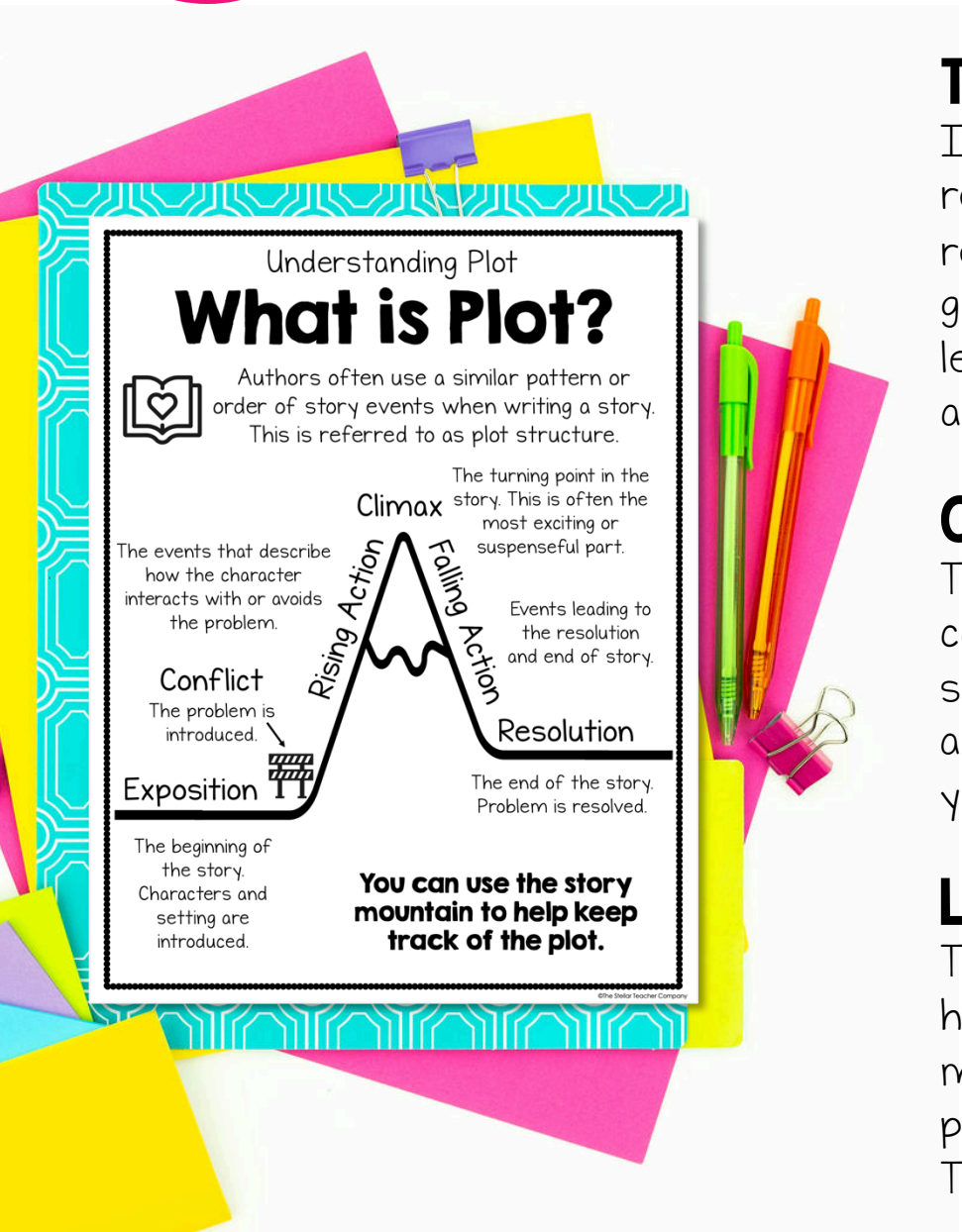




Lesson Plans • Anchor Charts • Google Slides • Graphic Organizers

3 REASONS TO LOVE

THESE PLOT & STORY EVENTS LESSON SETS



TIME-SAVING

I know a teacher's to-do list is massive, but with this resource, you can cross lesson planning off your list. This resource gives you everything you need for your whole group lessons on plot structure and story events: scripted lesson plans, whole group teaching slides, anchor charts, and graphic organizers.

CLEAR AND CONCISE

These lessons make it super easy for you to clearly communicate, teach, and model each objective to your students. The lesson plans will help you deliver a clear and effective lesson, and the visuals included will help your students understand exactly what you are teaching.

LOW PREP FOR TEACHERS

This resource seriously is just print and teach. You won't have to prep any materials for your lessons. Think how much time you will save not having to type out lesson plans or prep anchor charts or slides for your lessons. They are all done for you with this resource.

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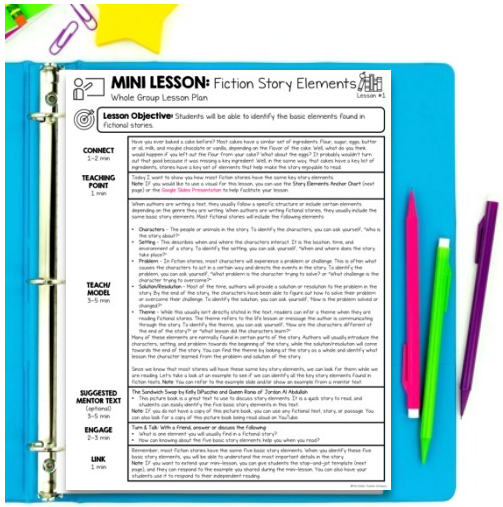
WHAT'S INCLUDED?

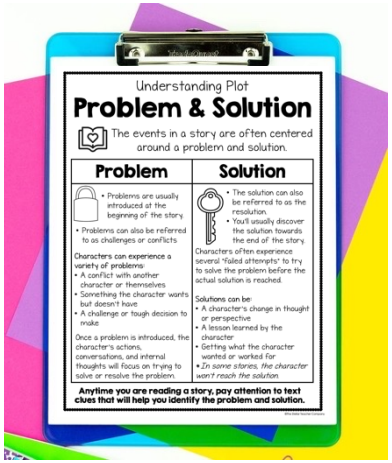
For each lesson you get a scripted lesson plan, anchor chart, teaching slide set, and half-page graphic organizer.

10 SCRIPTED LESSON PLANS



These lesson plans are scripted and ready to go. You can attach them to your weekly lesson plan, use them to prep your lesson, ore even read from them while teaching.

10 PRINTABLE ANCHOR CHARTS

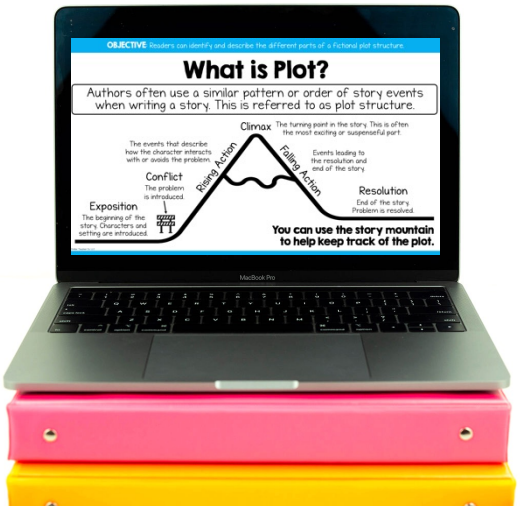


Each lesson comes with a full-page printable anchor chart. Post it in your classroom after your lesson, or shrink it down to 85% and have students glue it in their notebooks.

10 MINI GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS

Each lesson includes a half-page graphic organizer. Students can use this during your lesson or you can assign it to them as independent practice after your lesson.

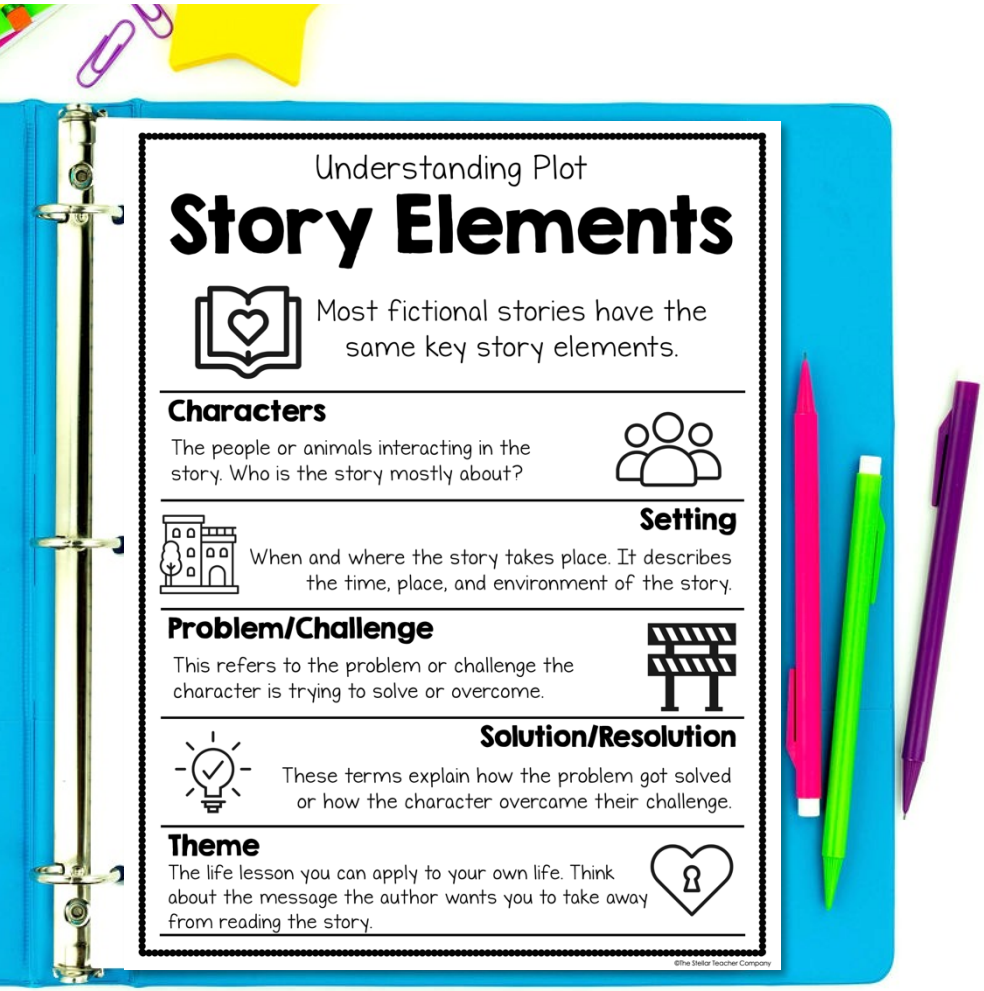
TEACHING SLIDES FOR EACH LESSON



Each lesson includes a set of teaching slides to help you teach, practice, and discuss the objective. These slides help you deliver an effective and engaging lesson.

WHAT LESSONS ARE INCLUDED?

This resource includes ten lessons that are all connected to plot and story elements. You can teach all ten or select the lessons that are most relevant to what your students need. These lessons are also great if you need to quickly spiral or review a concept.



Lesson #1: Story Elements
Lesson #2: Plot Structure
Lesson #3: Predicting Story Events
Lesson #4: Problem & Solution
Lesson #5: Inferring a Solution
Lesson #6: 3 Types of Conflict
Lesson #7: Flashbacks
Lesson #8: Foreshadowing
Lesson #9: Unresolved Problems
Lesson #10: Summarizing Plot

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Just print the set you want to teach, and you're set for a stellar whole group lesson.

LOW PREP and EASY-TO-USE

MINI LESSON: Fiction Story Elements

Whole Group Lesson Plan

Lesson #1

Lesson Objective: Students will be able to identify the basic elements found in fictional stories.

CONNECT
1–2 min

Have you ever baked a cake before? Most cakes have a similar set of ingredients. Flour, sugar, eggs, butter or oil, milk, and maybe chocolate or ... depending on the flavor of the cake. Well, what do you think would happen if you left out the f... What about the eggs? It probably wouldn't turn out that good because it was miss... that cakes have a key list of ingredients, stories have a key se...

TEACHING POINT
1 min

Today I want to show you how ...
Note: If you would like to use a ... page) or the Google Slides Prese...

TEACH/ MODEL
3–5 min

When authors are writing a tex... depending on the genre they a... same basic story elements. M...

- **Characters** – The people ... the story about?"
- **Setting** – This describes ... environment of a story. ... take place?"
- **Problem** – In fiction st... causes the characters ... problem, you can ask ... character trying to ov...
- **Solution/Resolution** – ... story. By the end of ... or overcome their ch... changed?"
- **Theme** – While this ... reading fictional sto... through the story. ... the end of the sto...

Many of these eleme... characters, setting, ... towards the end of ... lesson the characte...

Since we know tha... are reading. Let's ... fiction texts. Note...

SUGGESTED MENTOR TEXT

The Sandwich Sw...
- This picture b... students can...

Understanding Plot

Story Elements

Most fictional stories have the same key story elements.

Characters

The people or animals interacting in the story. Who is the story mostly about?

Setting

When and where the story takes place. It describes the time, place, and environment of the story.

Problem/Challenge

This refers to the problem or challe... character is trying to...

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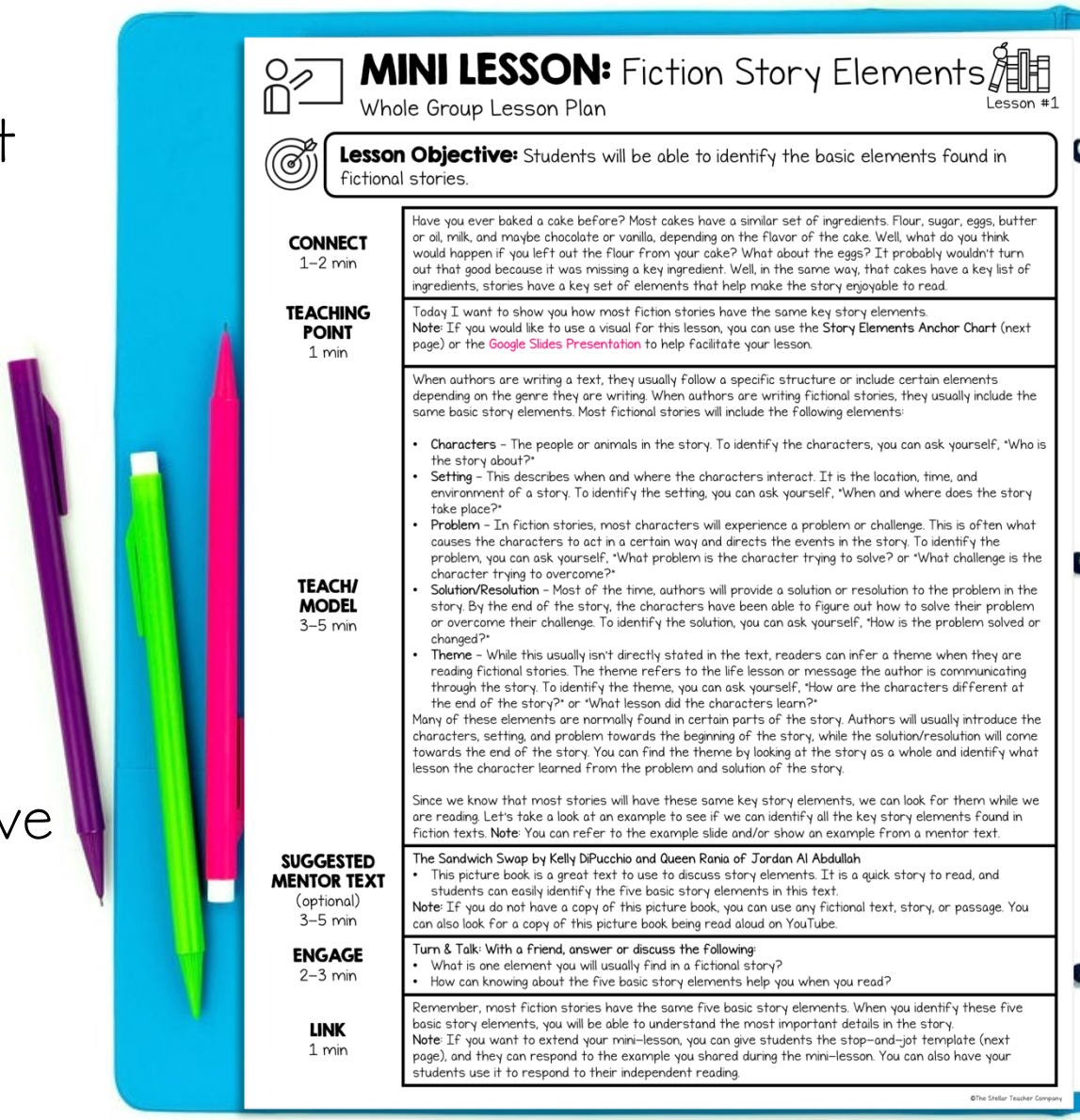
TAKE A CLOSER LOOK...

SCRIPTED TEACHER LESSON PLAN

Each lesson set includes a scripted teacher lesson plan. It provides you with the exact language you can use to teach that objective. These lesson plans will help keep your lessons short and concise.

Each lesson plan includes the following sections:

- Connect & Introduce Objective
- Teach & Model
- Suggested Mentor Text Title
- Engage Questions
- Closure



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TEACHING POINT
1 min

Today I want to show you how most fiction stories have the same key story elements.
Note: If you would like to use a visual for this lesson, you can use the **Story Elements Anchor Chart** (next page) or the Google Slides Presentation to help facilitate your lesson.

TEACH/ MODEL
3–5 min

When authors are writing a text, they usually follow a specific structure or include certain elements depending on the genre they are writing. When authors are writing fictional stories, they usually include the same basic story elements. Most fictional stories will include the following elements:

- **Characters** – The people or animals in the story. To identify the characters, you can ask yourself, "Who is the story about?"
- **Setting** – This describes when and where the characters interact. It is the location, time, and environment of a story. To identify the setting, you can ask yourself, "When and where does the story take place?"
- **Problem** – In fiction stories, most characters will experience a problem or challenge. This is often what causes the characters to act in a certain way and directs the events in the story. To identify the problem, you can ask yourself, "What problem is the character trying to solve? or "What challenge is the character trying to overcome?"
- **Solution/Resolution** – Most of the time, authors will provide a solution or resolution to the problem in the story. By the end of the story, the characters have been able to figure out how to solve their problem or overcome their challenge. To identify the solution, you can ask yourself, "How is the problem solved or changed?"
- **Theme** – While this usually isn't directly stated in the text, readers can infer a theme when they are reading fictional stories. The theme refers to the life lesson or message the author is communicating through the story. To identify the theme, you can ask yourself, "How are the characters different at the end of the story?" or "What lesson did the characters learn?"

Many of these elements are normally found in certain parts of the story. Authors will usually introduce the characters, setting, and problem towards the beginning of the story, while the solution/resolution will come towards the end of the story. You can find the theme by looking at the story as a whole and identify what lesson the character learned from the problem and solution of the story.

Since we know that most stories will have these same key story elements, we can look for them while we are reading. Let's take a look at an example to see if we can identify all the key story elements found in fiction texts. **Note:** You can refer to the example slide and/or show an example from a mentor text.

SUGGESTED MENTOR TEXT
(optional)
3–5 min

The Sandwich Swap by Kelly DiPucchio and Queen Rania of Jordan Al Abdullah
- This picture book is a great text to use to discuss story elements. It is a quick story to read, and students can easily identify the five basic story elements in this text.

Note: If you do not have a copy of this picture book, you can use any fictional text, story, or passage. You can also look for a copy of this picture book being read aloud on YouTube.

ENGAGE
2–3 min

Turn & Talk: With a friend, answer or discuss the following:
- What is one element you will usually find in a fictional story?
- How can knowing about the five basic story elements help you when you read?

LINK
1 min

Remember, most fiction stories have the same five basic story elements. When you identify these five basic story elements, you will be able to understand the most important details in the story.
Note: If you want to extend your mini-lesson, you can give students the stop-and-jot template (next page), and they can respond to the example you shared during the mini-lesson. You can also have your students use it to respond to their independent reading.

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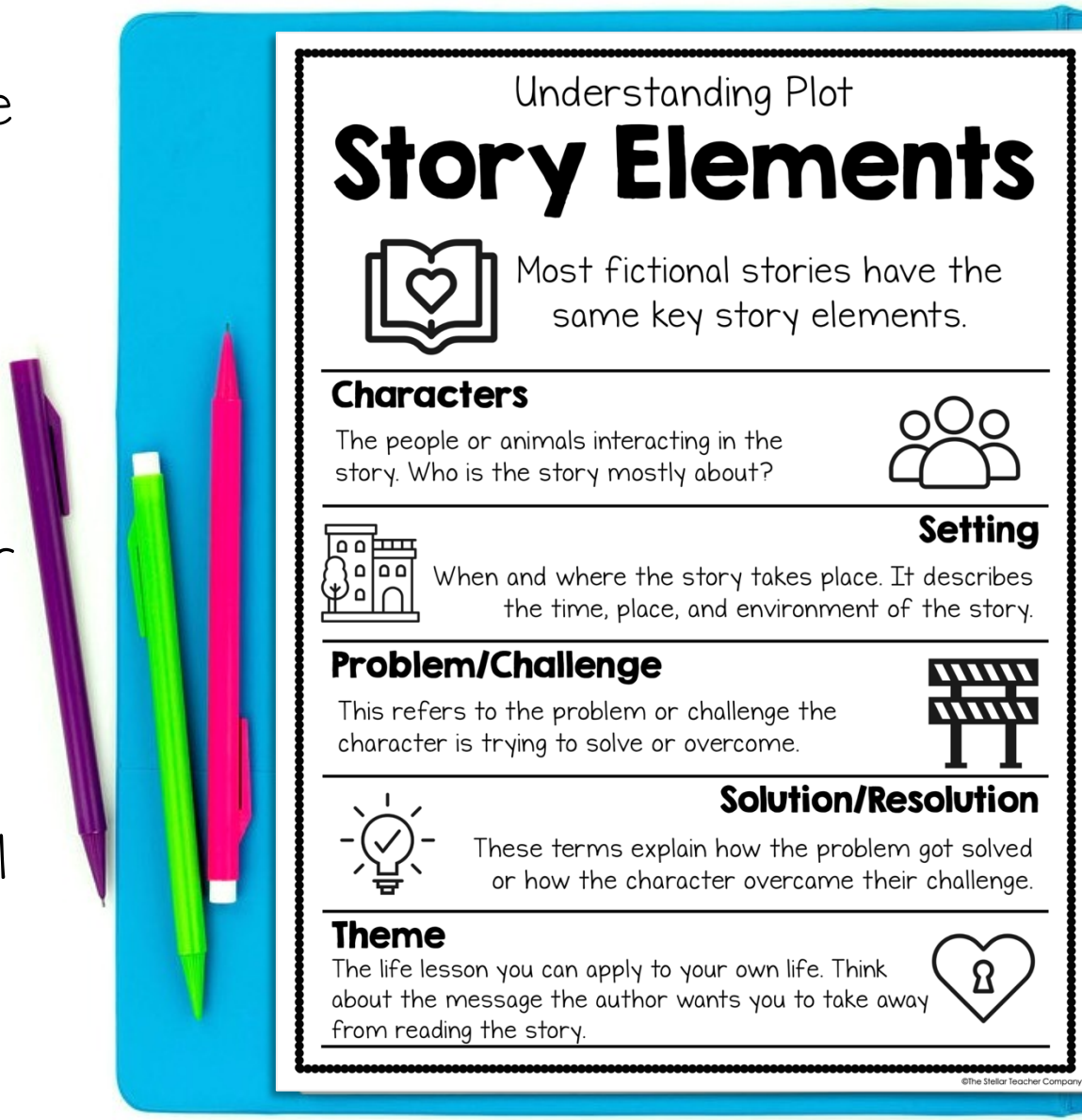
PRINTABLE ANCHOR CHART

Each lesson includes a printable anchor chart. You can either print this chart and display it under a document camera to help teach your lesson or you can always give students a copy of the anchor chart after the lesson to glue in their folder or notebook.

These anchor charts include all the key information students need to remember from your lesson.



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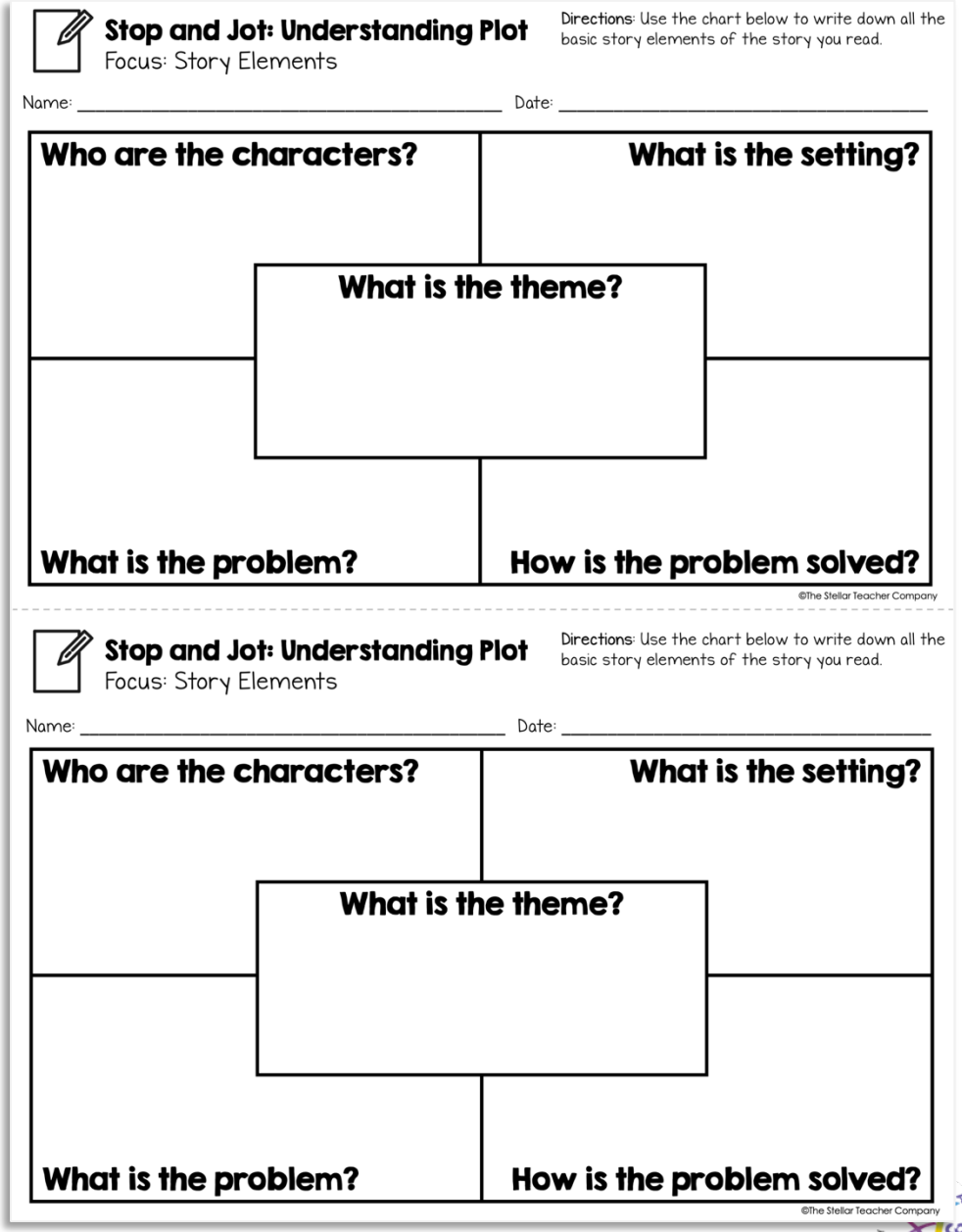
MINI GRAPHIC ORGANIZER

Each lesson includes a half-page graphic organizer related to the objective. These graphic organizer work with any text.

You can use them during the lesson to help model the concept to your students.

Or, you can give them to students after the lesson and have them practice applying the objective to their independent reading.

You can also use them during your small group lessons.



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GOOGLE SLIDE SET: TEACHING SLIDE

Each lesson includes a teaching slide. This slide includes a lot of the same information on the anchor chart.

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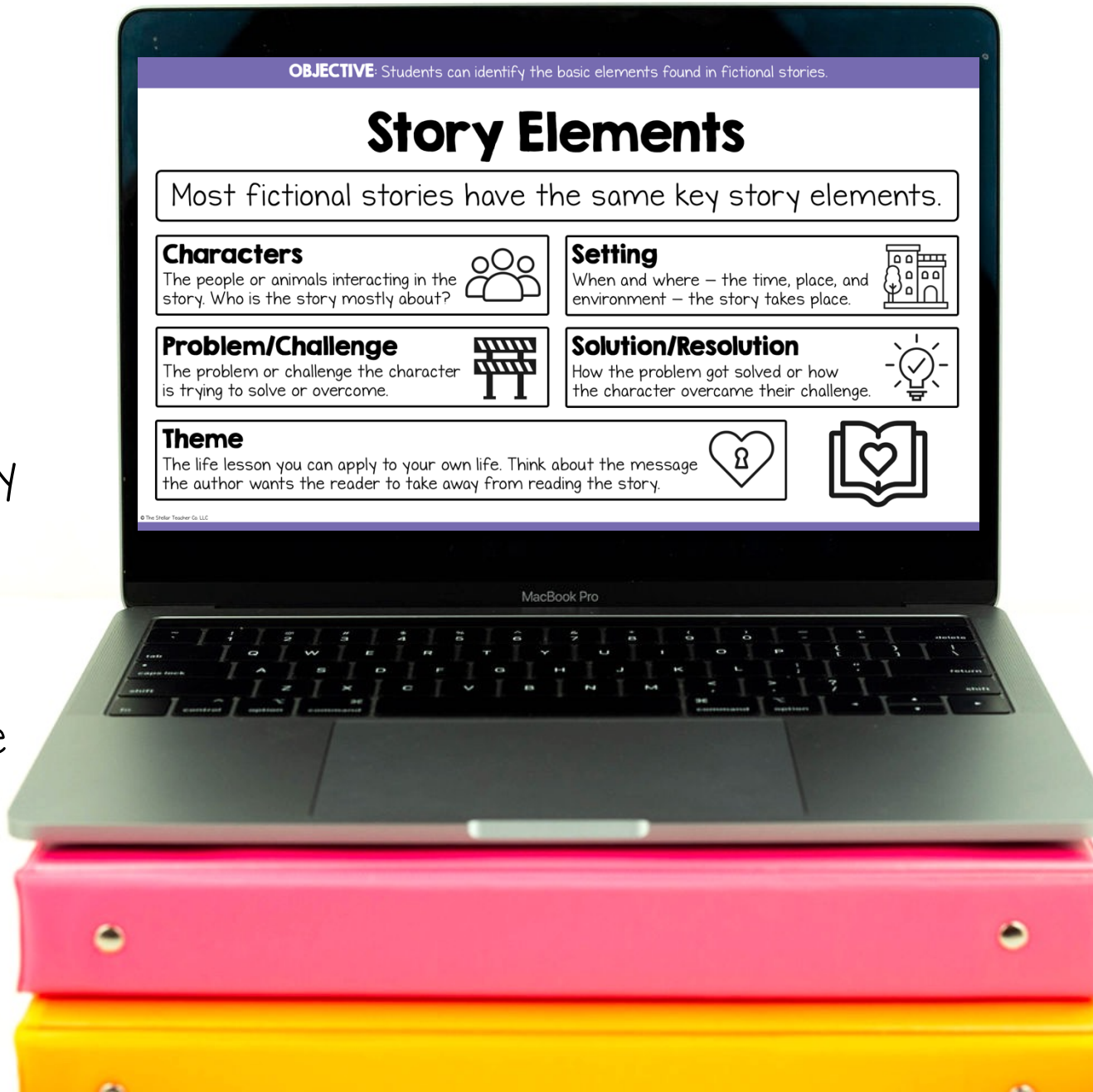

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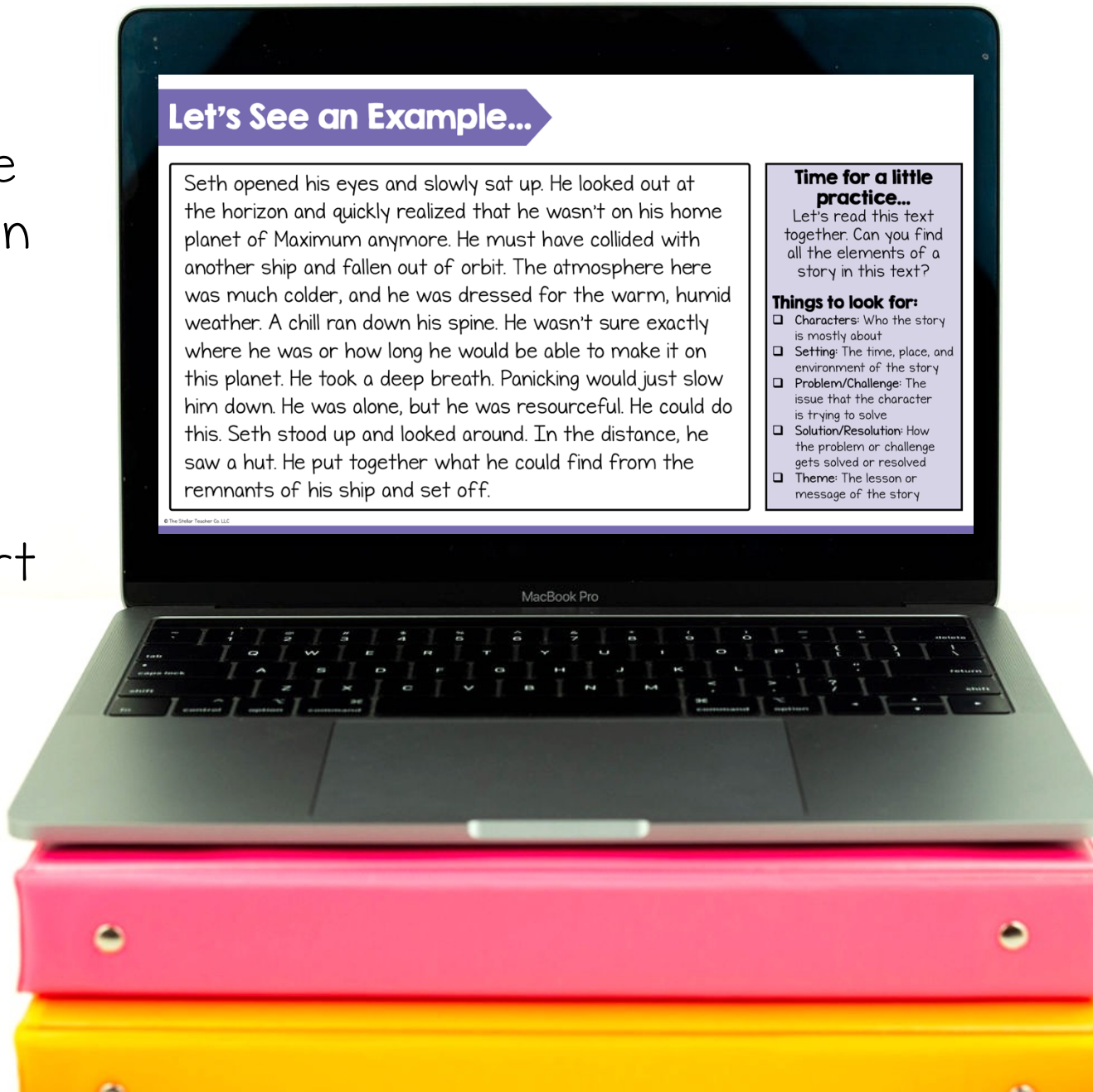
GOOGLE SLIDE SET: EXAMPLE SLIDE

Each lesson includes an example slide. The example slide is a great slide you can use to either model or practice with your students.

It will either include a short paragraph or a chart or some other example related to the objective of the lesson.



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GOOGLE SLIDE SET: TURN & TALK SLIDE

Each lesson includes a turn-and-talk slide with two questions you can use for whole group discussion at the end of your lesson.

The turn-and-talk slide also includes key reminders for how students should be engaging in discussion with their peers.

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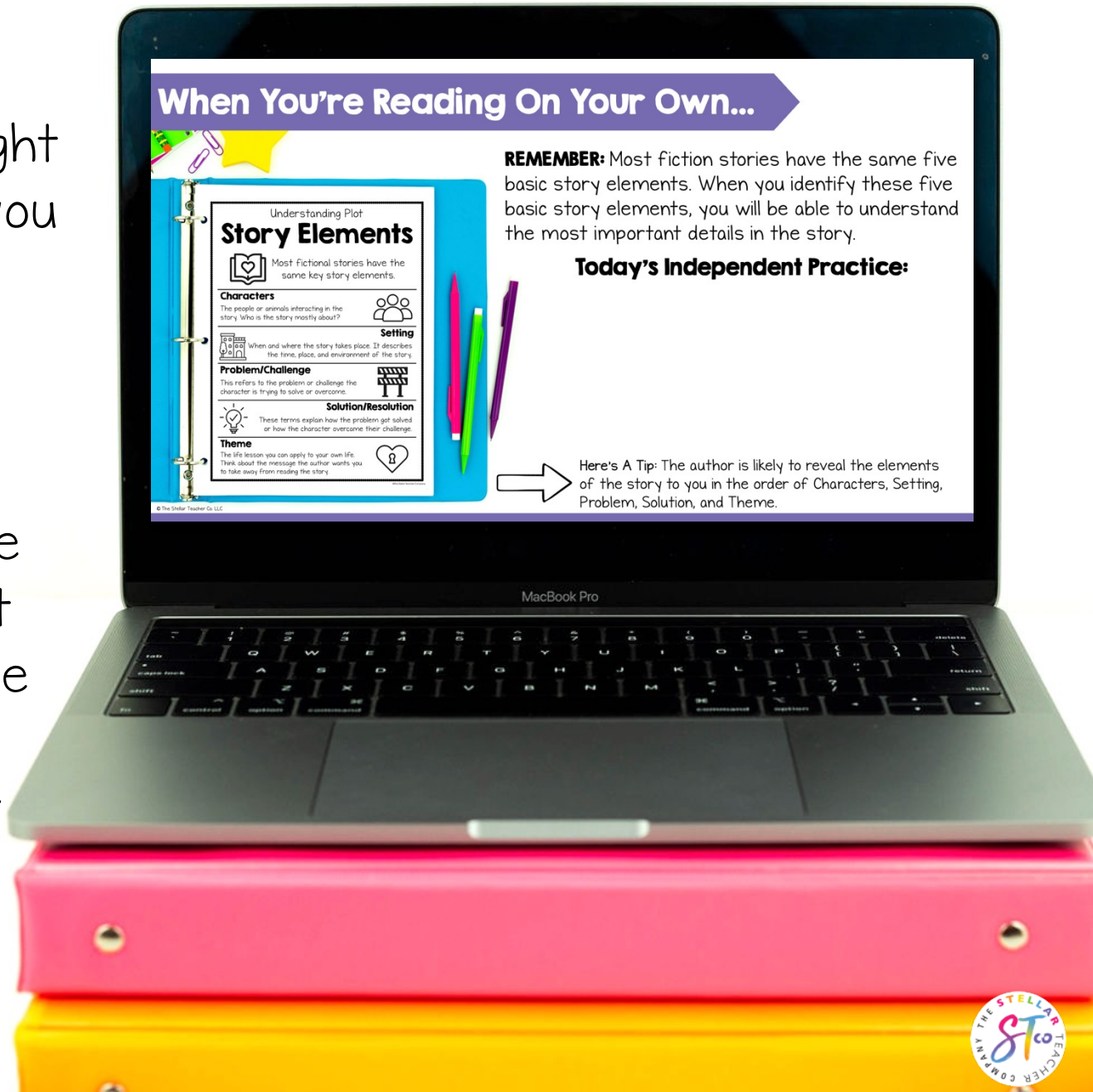
GOOGLE SLIDE SET: CLOSING SLIDE

The final slides includes a reminder of what you taught and then blank space for you to customize the independent practice assignment for the day.

This is a great slide to leave up during your independent practice so students can be reminded of what you taught and also know what they should be working on.



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NEED MORE THAN JUST THIS SET?

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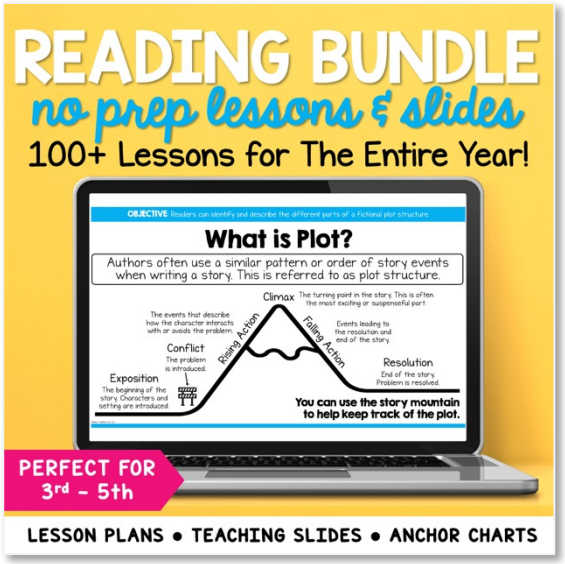

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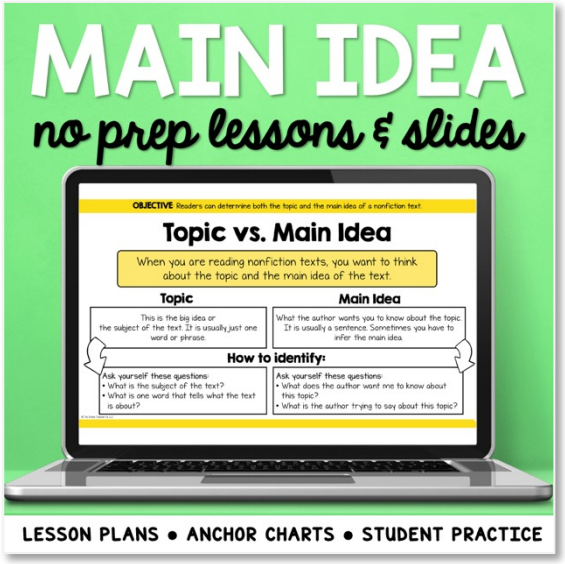

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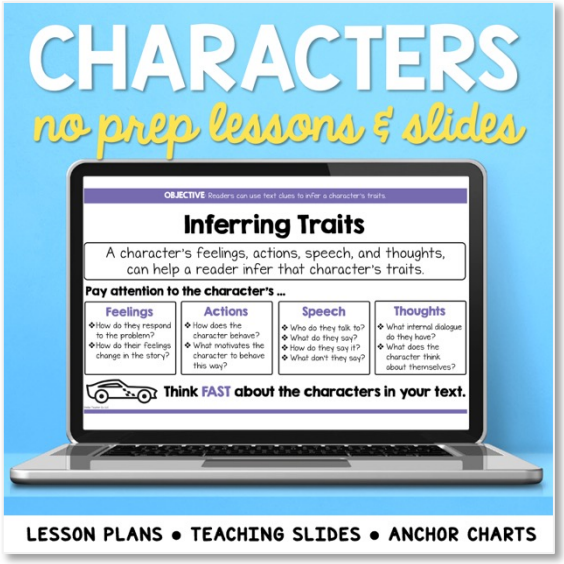

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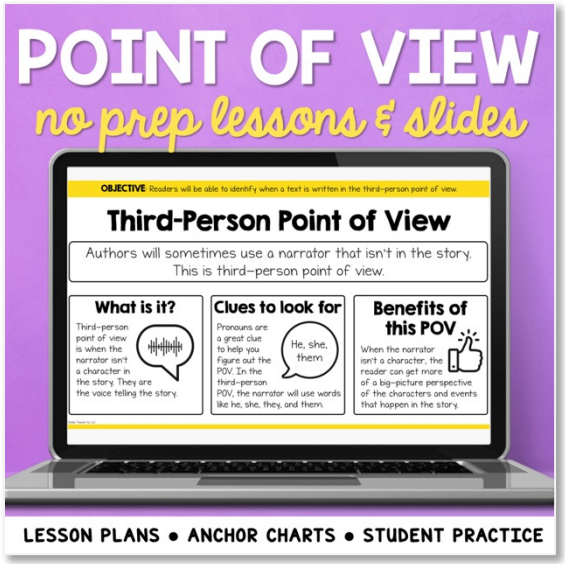

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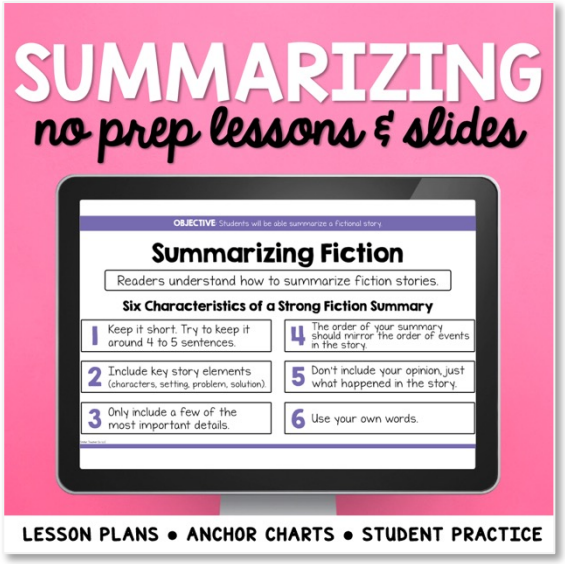

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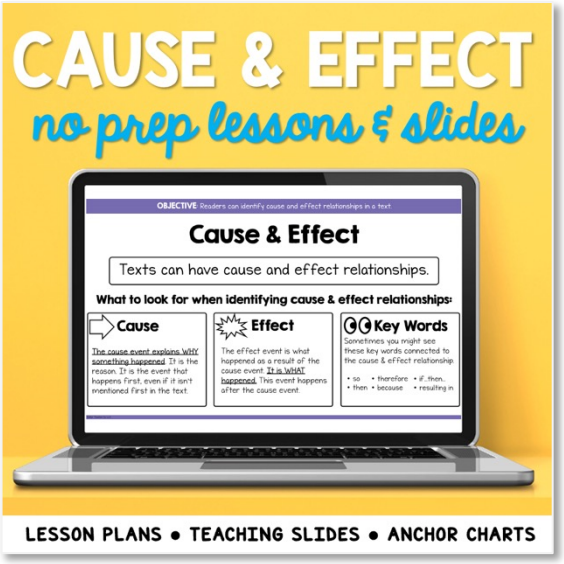

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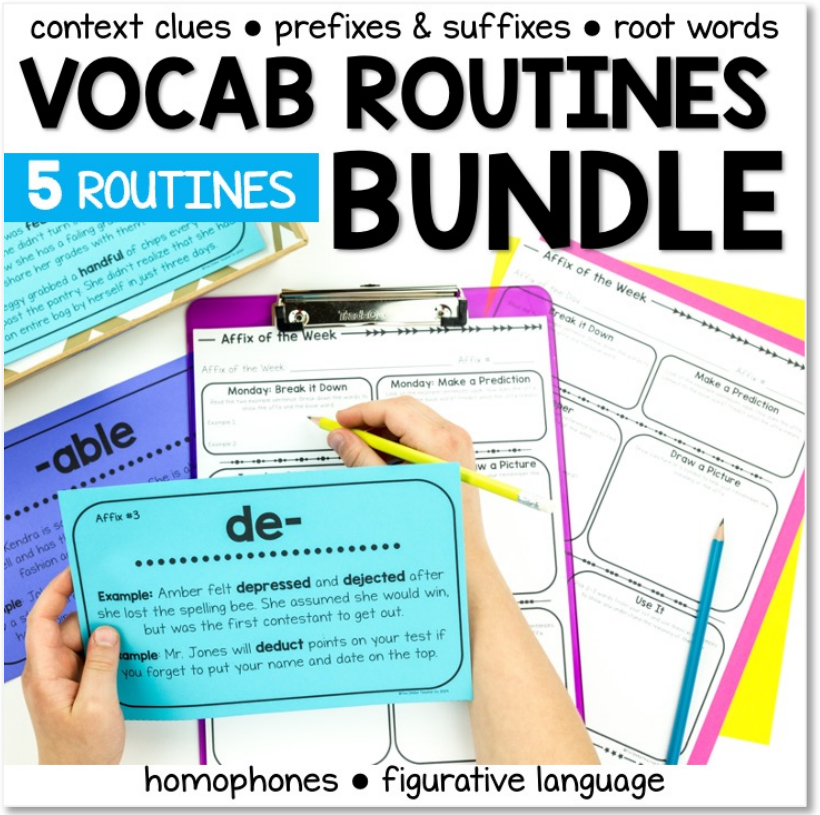
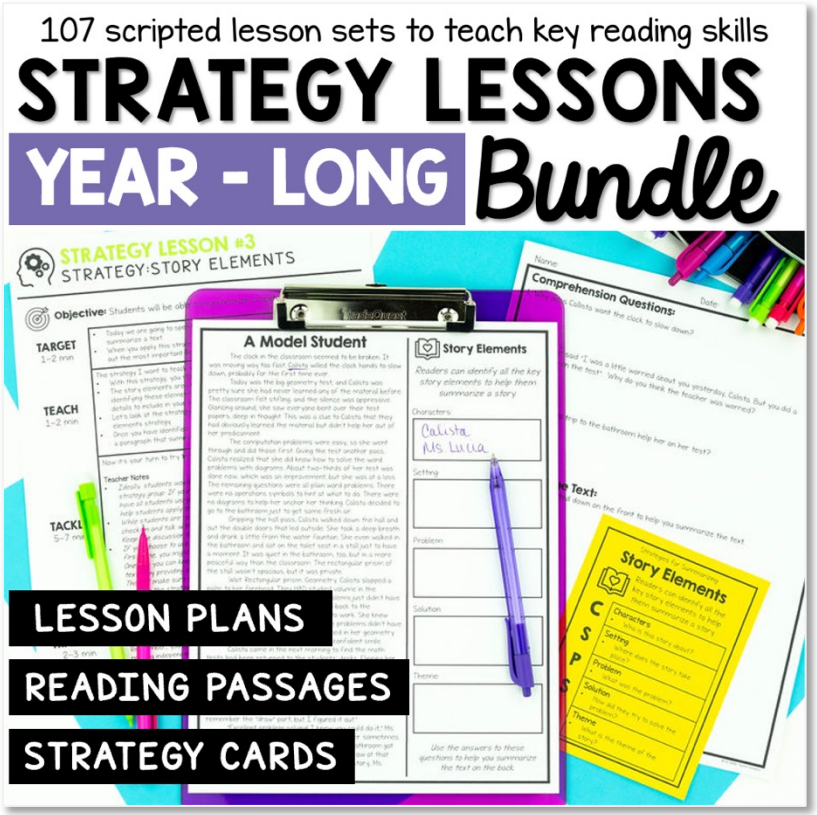
LOOKING FOR OTHER RESOURCES TO HELP WITH READING?

Do your students need help building their vocabulary?



Click HERE to check out this bundle of vocabulary routines!

Do you need help planning and prepping your small group lessons?



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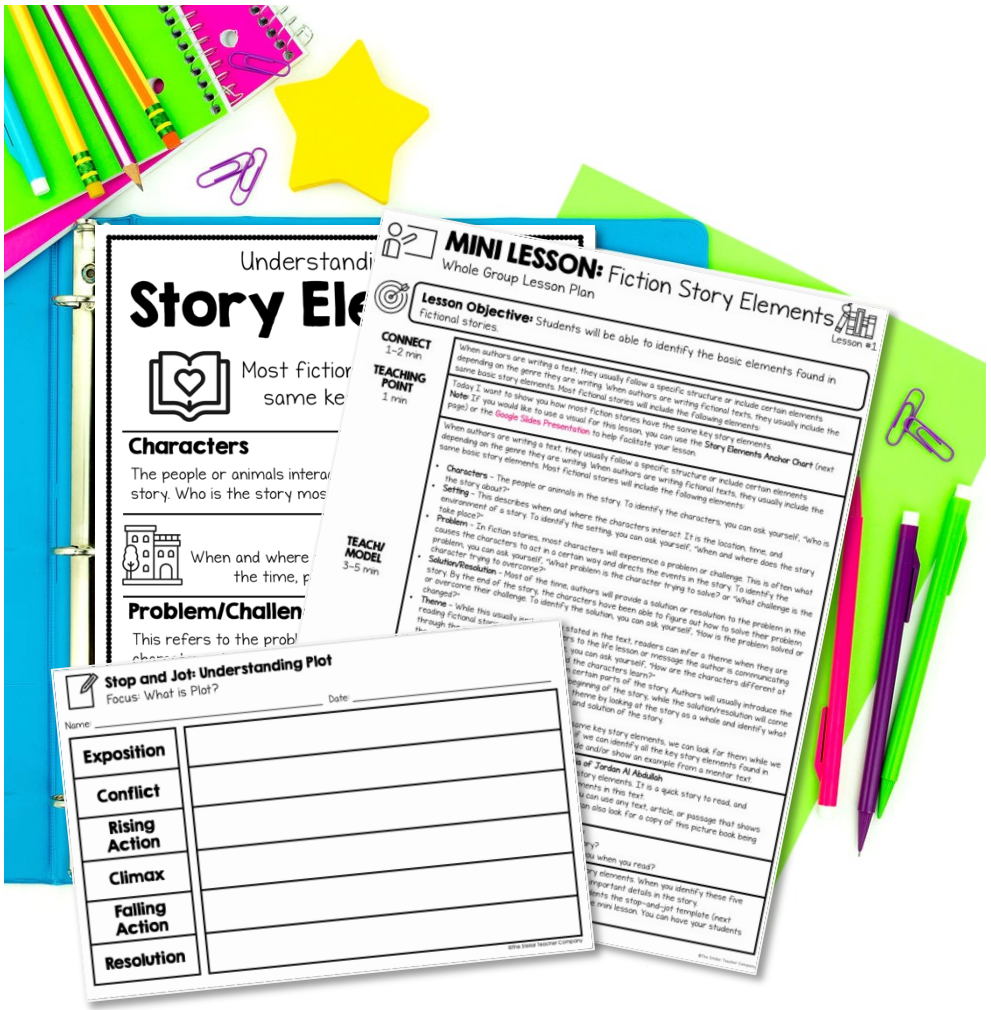

I'd love to share a free lesson set to help you teach fictional story elements. Sign-up below and I'll e-mail you a free lesson plan, anchor chart, mini-graphic organizer, and slide set.

CLICK HERE TO GRAB YOUR FREE SAMPLE!

I hope you and your students enjoy them!

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