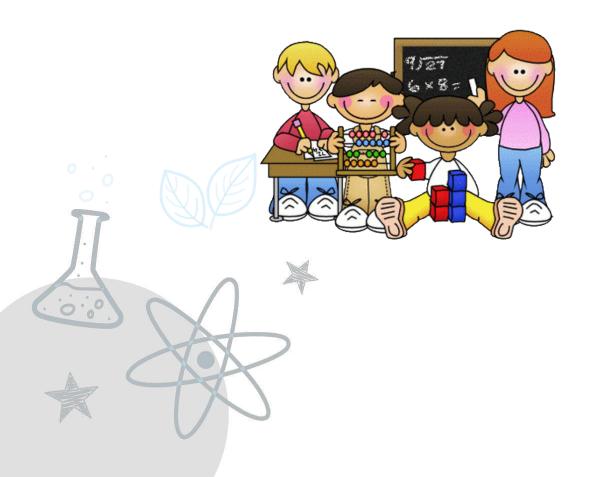
## Continuous Learning April 27-May 4, 2020 Grades K-2





Genre

**Realistic Fiction** 





# Blackout

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The lights went out during the storm.

Everything went quiet.



"I will check on Mr. Stevens," Mama says.



## "I will check on Martha and Todd," Papa says.



## "I will check on Mrs. Johnson," I say.



<u>Underline</u> the words that tell what the boy says.

## I go upstairs with my flashlight.



Mrs. Johnson's radio was always on. But now it is silent.



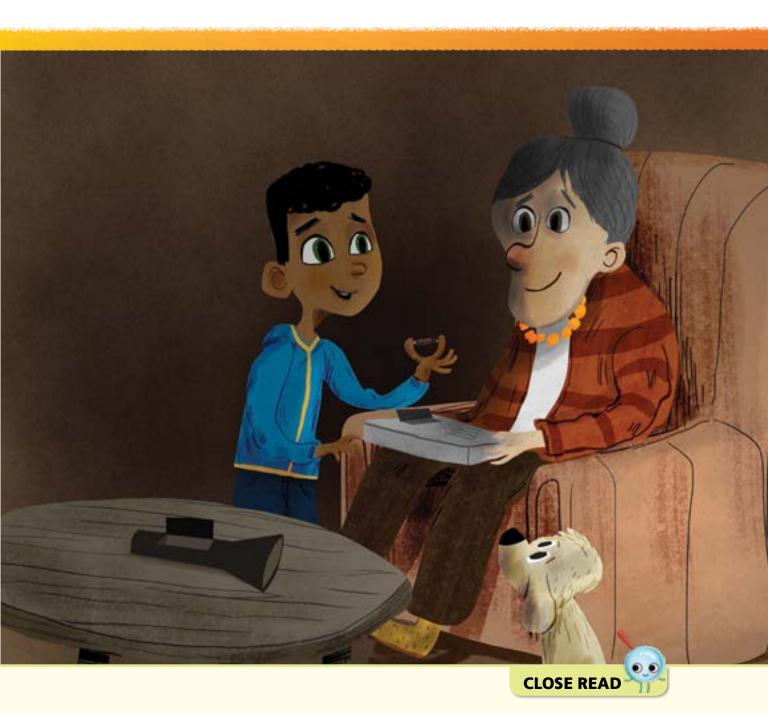
**VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT** 

<u>Underline</u> the words that help you figure out what **silent** means.

"I need a battery,"
Mrs. Johnson mutters.



## I give her my battery.



How would you describe the boy?

Highlight the details that help you.

Mrs. Johnson puts my battery in her radio.

It works!



Everyone comes.

We all listen until the lights come back on.





## **Develop Vocabulary**

MYTURN Underline or check the box with the word that completes each sentence.

- 1. We (check / mutters) on our friends when the lights go out.
- 2. The room is too (quiet / listen).
- 3. Mrs. Johnson (check / mutters) in the dark.
- 4. We (quiet / listen) to the radio together.





## **Check for Understanding**

Write the answers to the questions. You can look back at the text.

How d	lo you	know	this te	ext is r	ealisti	c tictio	on?
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How does the author describe the characters?

3. How can you describe Mrs. Johnson? Use text evidence.



## **Describe a Character**

A character is a person or animal in a story. When we describe a character, we tell what he or she looks like. We tell what the character says or does. Like real people, characters do things for a reason.

MYTURN Describe the main character. Look back at the text. Use the pictures too.

### Character

What	He	Say	<b>ys</b>
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TURNandTALK Describe the reason the boy goes upstairs.





## **Use Text Evidence**

Text evidence is the details that support an idea about the text. Text evidence helps readers describe characters and the reasons for their actions.

The Blackout. Look back at the text.



## **Reflect and Share**

### **Talk About It**

Retell what happens in *The Blackout*. What are other ways to help neighbors that you have read about?



### Retell a Text

When retelling a text, it is important to:

- Tell about the events in your own words.
- Maintain, or keep, the same meaning as the text.

Use the words on the note to help you.

Now retell the text.

What do you mean?

**Weekly Question** 

How can neighbors help each other?



I can make and use words to read and write realistic fiction.

My Learning Goal



## **Academic Vocabulary**

Related words can have the same word part.

MYTURN Write each word from the box with its related word.

type	group	settle	various
settled		gı	ouped
50			
typical		v	ariety



## Read Like a Writer, Write for a Reader

A first-person text is a story told by a character in the story. First-person texts use words such as I, me, my, and we.

I go upstairs with my flashlight.



The author uses these words to help readers understand that the story is a first-person text.

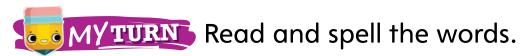
TURNandTALK What do you picture in your mind when you think about the first-person text The Blackout?

Write a sentence about something that happened to you. Use a word that shows it is a first-person text.



## **Spell Short a Words**

The short **a** sound is often spelled **a**.



am	at	mat	sat	

Short a		
	My Word	ds to Know
	I	see





## **Nouns**

A **noun** names a person, animal, or thing.

Our neighbor brings his cat and a flashlight.

MYTURN Edit the sentences by writing the best noun from the box.

radio

boy

dog



- **1.** The can help.
- 2. He grabs a
- 3. He helps the