

Flowers

GOALS

Comprehension

Connect to prior knowledge: Can students name some flowers and the colours flowers can be?

Vocabulary

High-frequency Words: you, are, for

Content Words: flower, red, blue, orange, yellow, green, pink, purple

Flowers

Look at all the colours you find in flowers.

Phonemic Awareness

Identify syllables in words and clap as they are spoken, e.g. pur/ple

Phonics

Letters and Sounds: s

Words to Blend and Segment: sat, sap, sip, sit, sad

Fluency

Practise reading the text orally with a partner

Before Reading

- Ask students if they can name some flowers and the colours they can be.
- Students look at the cover and describe what they see. Predict what the title might be. Read the title together.
- Read the title page together. Ask: How is the picture on the title page different to the cover? Talk about the colours of flowers that students know.
- Talk/walk through the pictures. Discuss the colour of the flowers on each page and how all the illustrations are photographs. (This is a nonfiction text showing real information.) Students find the colour word on each page. For example, on page 2, students look for the letter that has the /r/ sound. Point to *red*.
- Before turning to page 16, ask what students think might happen at the end of the text. What is the girl holding and who for?

Reading the Text

- Read the title together. Then read the title page.
- On page 2 discuss the colour of the flowers, then read the words together. Have students point to the words as they are read.
- Follow this pattern for each page.

After Reading

Invite students to discuss the information. Prompt if needed.

• Discuss the ending. Who do you think the flowers would be for? The girl's mother? Father? Teacher? Friend?

Phonemic Awareness

- Together identify syllables in words and clap as they are spoken, for example, *pur/ple*.
- Students listen to and hear words in the text with one syllable or beat (one clap) *red*, *for*, *you*, *are*, *green*, *pink*.
- Listen for words with two syllables or beats (two claps) *yel/low*, *or/ange*. Clap the beats as you say the words together.

Phonics

- Discuss the name and sound of the letter s. Write cvc words sat, sap, sip, sit and sad on the board for students to practise blending and segmenting the sounds together as a group.
 e.g. /s/ /a/ /t/, sat
- Use alphabet letter cards to illustrate the sounds and touch the letters as the sound is made for each.

Word Study

- Talk about the words *you*, *are*, *for*. Copy and print the flash cards from the inside front cover. Read them together. Ask students to locate and read these words in the book.
- Students draw a picture of some flowers and write the matching sentence from the text. e.g. *Flowers are purple*.

Fluency

• Students practise reading the text orally with a partner. As this is a nonfiction book, it is best read at a moderate speed, not too fast. The text is telling the reader information.

Writing

• Write a new text using the same pattern ____ are ____. e.g. Books are _____. Books are for you. Students write the text and illustrate it.

Home/School Link

Students take the book and any related activity done in class home to share with family.