



Raising Dragons

THIRD GRADE, THEME 3, SELECTION 3

Standard: Reading 3.3 Determine character traits. Writing 2.2 Write descriptions.
Writing 1.1 Write a paragraph.

Character Trait: Caring, Giving, and Service		Structural Analysis:
Teacher Read Aloud: How do the soldier and the tax collector treat the poor farmer when they visit him?		
Get Set: How do the children help out on the farm every day?		
Key Vocabulary chores (Are chores a type of service?)	Strategy and Skill Focus	Reading the Selection -Pa tells his daughter to stay away from the egg. Why does he do this? (p.323) - When the dragon is born, what does the daughter do to show she cares? (p.325-326) - What does the dragon do to help out on the farm? (p.330-331) - At the end of the story, what service does the daughter take on at the farm? (p.341)
Revisiting the Text P.323 Character Development Make a web describing the daughter’s characteristics. Use the web provided.	Responding -What kind of person would you have to be to take care of an animal?	Cross-Curricular Activities
Content Link	Comprehension Skills	Information and Study Skills
Vocabulary Skills	Writing Skills	Theme Focus Wall Post the pictures generated from the Universal Access Activities section.
Listening/Speaking/Viewing Have the students share with a partner all the ways they might care for a dragon.		
Universal Access Activities Have students choose a “real” animal that they would care for. Have them write a paragraph describing how they would take care of the animal. When they have finished, have them draw a picture illustrating them caring for the animal.		Materials HM Text Web Graphic Organizer Writing Materials Drawing Materials.

Daughter's Characteristics