



# Out There

## SIXTH GRADE, THEME 6, SELECTION 4

**Standard:** Writing 2.2 Write compositions. Reading 2.7 Make reasonable assertions.

<b>Character Trait:</b> Trustworthiness		<b>Structural Analysis:</b>
<b>Teacher Read Aloud:</b>		
<b>Get Set:</b>		
<b>Key Vocabulary</b>	<b>Strategy and Skill Focus</b>	<b>Reading the Selection</b> - Do you agree with Danny’s decision to be honest with the authorities regarding the giant eel? Why or why not? - Do you agree with Danny’s decision to be honest with the authorities about the blood on the boat? Why or why not? - How do you think Danny feels after hearing Captain Carroll’s story?
<b>Revisiting the Text</b>	<b>Responding</b> - What kind of person is Danny? Do you think he is a truthful and honest person, or someone who exaggerates the truth? Explain your answer. - How might the story have been different if Danny’s father had been with him on the boat?	<b>Cross-Curricular Activities</b>
<b>Content Link</b>	<b>Comprehension Skills</b> Drawing Conclusions - Discuss with students what details lead up to the conclusion that Danny believes in himself.	<b>Information and Study Skills</b>
<b>Vocabulary Skills</b>	<b>Writing Skills</b> Have students write a response to the following prompt: If you were to see something that was unbelievable, what would you do? Would you tell others and risk being made fun of, or would you keep it to yourself? Explain your answer.	<b>Theme Focus Wall</b> Post responses from the Writing Skills section.
<b>Listening/Speaking/Viewing</b>		
<b>Universal Access Activities</b> Have students write a paragraph about a time they had an experience where someone didn’t believe them. What was the situation? How did they feel, knowing that people didn’t believe them?		<b>Materials</b> HM Text Writing materials