

FIRST IMPRESSIONS: WRITING, SENSORY LANGUAGE AND ENEMY PIE

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GRADE LEVEL AND CONTENT: 3rd Grade English Language Arts

OVERVIEW

This writing-based unit uses the story *Enemy Pie* by Derek Munson to challenge students to think critically about perspective and improve their writing skills. Students engage in discussion with their peers to understand first impressions and why writers use sensory language to engage readers. Further, students learn to use text evidence to support conclusions and express these conclusions in a final constructed response.

STANDARDS ADDRESSED

English Language Arts: ELA.3.RL.1; ELA.RL.7; ELA.3.W.1; ELA.3.W.3; ELA.3.W.4; ELA.3.W.5; ELA.3.W.6; ELA.3.W.10; ELA.3.SL.1; ELA.3.SL.6

AVAILABLE MATERIALS

- Video of Unit
- Daily Lesson Plans
- Lesson One PowerPoint
- Lesson Two PowerPoint
- Lesson Three PowerPoint
- Presto Change-O PowerPoint
- Pirate PATCH PowerPoint
- Pirate PATCH Poster
- Writing a Constructed Response PowerPoint
- Fans and Friend PowerPoint



ABOUT THE TEACHER

Michelle Davis is currently a 3rd grade teacher at Kingsland Elementary School. She received her Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Valdosta State University and her Master of Education in Educational Technology from Lesley University. Michelle served as a STEM Camp Counselor for two years and currently serves as a mentor teacher for both students and fellow teachers. Her best piece of teaching advice is to remember that learning really is fun. Add some music or a video. Get in touch with your sense of humor. Students will try so much harder if they are having a good time.