Units of Study

#Up the Ladder Reading

FOR GRADES 4 AND UP

LUCY CALKINS with Colleagues from the Teachers College Reading and Writing Project

"Nothing matters more than the mission of giving all young people access to the beautiful, important work that happens in reading and writing workshops."

—Lucy Calkins

ow do you support upper-grade and middle school readers if they are new to the norms and culture of reading workshop, particularly if they may also have missed some foundational instruction in reading fiction and nonfiction? How do you do this in a way that builds a strong reading community and strong habits and routines? How do you approach all this if you are new to the teaching of reading workshop? The **Up the Ladder Reading** units offer a very good place to start.

The **Up the Ladder Reading** units (one unit for reading fiction and one for reading nonfiction):

- begin with the clear expectation that students are in charge of their own reading lives;
- stress agency and independence across sessions;
- teach students to recognize and select a just-right book, to notice and flag parts of the text while reading, and to engage in conversations around the texts they are reading;
- help students build essential skills such as fluency, envisioning, prediction, making deeper inferences, and finding main ideas.



Up the Ladder Reading: *Fiction*







Up the Ladder Reading: Nonfiction





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#Up the Ladder Writing

FOR GRADES 3-6

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he new *Up the Ladder* units are designed for children in grades 3–6 who may not yet have had many opportunities to practice writing narrative, information, and opinion pieces, or might not have had those experiences in workshop-style classrooms. The units give these children opportunities to engage in repeated successful practice and to move rapidly along a gradually increasing progression of challenges. Frequent checkpoints channel kids to double-check that their work has gotten substantially better. At each of these checkpoints, they—and you—will see that their growth has been dramatic.

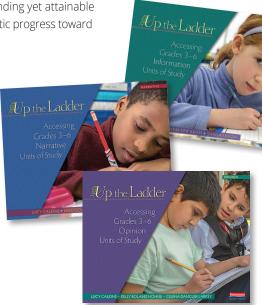
The *Up the Ladder* Units:

- give novice writers intense writing practice within a short timeframe
- teach foundational strategies through content, topics, and mentor texts that are appropriate for grades 3–6
- include concise, accessible student checklists and guidelines for daily assessment
- support teachers with an introduction to the workshop framework and writing process, along with tips and strategies for classroom management
- include video demonstrations of the minilessons by Lucy Calkins and TCRWP staff developers to support teacher preparation
- offer teachers specific ways to support English learners
- engage young people in work that is demanding yet attainable
- ensure that students make rapid and dramatic progress toward grade-level writing work.

While the *Up the Ladder* units are designed to be precursors to the grade-level *Units of Study in Opinion, Information, and Narrative Writing,* 3–6, they also can be helpful in a variety of instructional settings, including summer school.

Components

- Three *Up the Ladder* Units: Narrative, Information, Opinion
- A Guide to the Up the Ladder Units
- Online Resources including video demonstrations for every minilesson
- Large-format Anchor-Chart Sticky Notes



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