

Grade 6 Task Card

Week 1

LITERACY		Folktales are cultural stories shared by diverse people. They are passed on through many generations to teach a lesson, entertain an audience and often to help people learn about their heritage and history.
		<p>Think about a folktale you have read or learned about as a child. This folktale could be cultural, like Anansi the Spider, or familiar, like Jack and the Beanstalk or The Three Little Pigs. Recreate the story:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ What was the character like in the folktale? ■ What was the message being shared? ■ What clues did the author give the reader to understand the message? <p>Create your own folktale, to entertain a younger audience. Use Appendix 6-A to organize your story.</p>
MATHEMATICS		<p>What number completes this equation? $2.6 + 7.9 = 10.5 = \quad + 3.1$ How do you know?</p> <p>Algebra is like a puzzle that has to do with understanding the relationship between numbers.</p>
		<p>Use Appendix 6-B to explore algebra through puzzles. Try to develop a strategy to solve the included magic puzzle from West Africa.</p>
SCIENCE		<p>Biodiversity addresses the various forms of life on Earth and how these forms of life interconnect with each other. Biodiversity addresses the important role of all species.</p> <p>Statement: "What affects biodiversity also affects humans in the world." Respond to this statement in a paragraph with supporting evidence.</p>
		<p>Use your skills as a researcher to compare the characteristics of two organisms.</p> <p>Consider: plant and animal; fish and mammal, etc. Create your own graphic organizer to show this comparison.</p> <p>Once you have completed your organizer answer the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ What criteria did you use to compare the organisms? ■ How might your criteria change if you picked two different organisms? ■ Describe why it is important to use an organizer to compare the different organisms.

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Literacy: Folktale Organizer

This organizer is created to support you in writing your folktale. Remember this folktale is for a younger audience. Before designing, remember to pick the age of your audience and plan accordingly. Recreate this organizer on a blank page so you can work to complete your various tasks.

Task: Write your own folktale, use the organizer and below prompts to support you.

1. Characters/Personality Development

- Create your characters
 - a. It is important that you visualize and draw your characters to help develop their personalities.
- Think about your main character
 - b. How will your character be known? How will his/her personality impact the various parts of your folktale and the other characters?

2. Message/ Lesson: Folktales are created to send a message or provide a lesson.

- As you plan your folktale, consider what message or lesson you will be providing for your younger audience?

3. Designing your Folktale: Questions to think about:

- What will be the focus of your folktale?
- How will you capture the attention of your audience? Consider the beginning, middle or ending
- Remember to think about the important parts of a story: setting, plot (where does it take place?, when is it happening?, will there be a situation/problem to solve (conflict in the story)? How was it resolved?

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Audience	
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Character/Personality	Lesson/Message

Consider:

setting, plot (where, when, situation/problem to solve, conflict)

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Math

What number completes this equation?

$$2.6 + 7.9 = 10.5 = \square + 3.1$$

How do you know?

Algebra is like a puzzle that has to do with understanding the relationship between numbers.

k and m are whole numbers and $3 \times k = 6 \times m$.

1. In this equation, what do you know about k and m ?

2. What are the different values that your equation could represent?

Put numbers in a row so that every row (—), column (|), and diagonal (/ or \) equals 15. 3 numbers have been given to you to help you start.

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Use this thinking to help you answer the question below. Remember to show all your work.

If $7n - 24 = 4$ and $n + 38 - s = 29$, what value does the s represent?