

Unit 7: Nonfiction Specialist Book (4 weeks)

To view the Grade 2 Nonfiction Specialist Book Unit developed by the Literacy Design Team go to eChalk, My Groups, select Grade 2 ELA Resources

- Analyze student writing to assess whole class, small group and individualized needs.
- Have guided writing groups as a way to differentiate instruction.
- It is not recommended that second graders use writing notebooks. Paper choice for each unit of study along with writing folders are developmentally appropriate for writers at this age level.
- This unit includes information, fluency and technology learning outcomes that naturally lend themselves to a collaboration between classroom and library.
- Teachers may encourage students to publish writing using word processing tools such as Word or other online publishing tools.
- Students edit their pieces daily. Refer to the District Conventions Continuum to determine appropriate convention objectives (punctuation, capitalization, syntax) to teach during the unit. Copies are available in the grade level literacy binders and on the district website http://ww3.mamkschools.org/ela/Units_of_Study.html.
- **To view Grade 2 archived artifacts for the unit please visit the Grade 2 reading/writing page. Select "Resources" from the top nav bar. To access the units of study website use the link http://ww3.mamkschools.org/units_of_study/.**
- Chart Chums is a great online resource for creating interactive, clear and visually rich anchor charts. To view use the link <http://chartchums.wordpress.com/>.
- Additional resources of sample anchor charts for reading and writing units of study include the following: <http://readingandwritingproject.com/resources/classroom-charts/second-grade.html>.