



Summary

This book discusses light, how it travels, its properties and why it's needed.

Guided Reading Level	Lexile Level	100th word	Total Word Count
Q	700	and pg. 6	706

Standards:

Common Core Language Arts

- Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining
- Explain concepts in a scientific text
- Interpret information presented visually

Science

- Knows that light can be reflected, refracted, or absorbed

Lesson Focuses for Guided Reading (Select lesson focus based on Student's needs)

Writing Craft	Comprehension	Reading Strategies Decoding, & Phonics	Academic Vocabulary	
Use a variety of beginning and ending techniques Create and use informational text features	Summarizing information Determining main idea and important supporting details Asking questions Using graphic features	Locating known and unknown words Self-monitoring and self-correcting Reading text features	axis frequency matter opaque photons photosynthesis reflect	refraction translucent transparent ultraviolet visible spectrum wavelength

Lesson

1. Warm up for reading – Students read familiar books independently.
2. Introduction of **Let's Investigate Light** - Introduce **Let's Investigate Light** by looking at the cover photo and starting a discussion about what students know about light.
Suggested questions to facilitate introductory conversation:
 - Look at the illustration on the cover and the title of the book. What do you think this book is going to be about?
 - What do you already know about light? Write it down on your Learning Journal reproducible.
 - Why would a picture of a glass with a straw be on the cover? What does that have to do with light?
 - What questions do you have before we start reading?
3. Skimming and Scanning **Let's Investigate Light** – Use this time to introduce or review your lesson focus strategies and/or skills.
Suggested skimming and scanning prompts:
 - Look at the glossary. Are there words in the glossary that are unfamiliar to you? Which ones?
 - Look at the Table of Contents. What do you think we'll read about in the chapter, We Need Light?
 - Take a minute and look at the pictures. Can you explain what is happening in any of them?
 - Point out captions and any other text features. Ask students how these might support their learning.
 - As you flip through the pages, are you thinking of some other questions you may have?
4. Reading **Let's Investigate Light** – Students read independently or with a partner.

5. After reading **Let's Investigate Light** – Open the conversation with a question that relates to the comprehension strategy of using graphic features. After a brief conversation about the contents of the book move to questions that support your lesson focus.
Suggested after reading content connection questions:
 - Why are there bolded words throughout the text?
 - Look at the picture on pg. 5. What is the purpose of this illustration? How do you know what the purpose is?
 - Look at the picture on pg. 9. What is the purpose of this illustration? How do you know what the purpose is?
 - What is the author trying to show you with the illustrations on pg. 12?
 - What is the author trying to show you with the photographs on pg. 13? What else do we need to read to fully understand this picture besides the captions?
 - What is the purpose of the photograph on pg. 17?
 - Just like on the cover, there is a picture of a glass with a straw on pg. 18. What does this have to do with light? Explain.
 - Can you explain refraction?
 Suggested after reading lesson focus prompts:
 - I noticed (student's name) using (reading strategy) while you were reading. Did it help with your reading? (Repeat this question to highlight different reading strategies or skills used by students.)
 - What text features helped you? Tell us about it.
 - Were you aware when you did not understand a piece of the text?
 - How did self-monitoring help you? Did you find yourself having to reread parts of the text to gain more understanding?
 - What specific parts did you find hard to understand?
6. After Reading Application for **Let's Investigate Light** – Have students complete the reproducible on Learning Journal.



Name: _____

Date: _____

Let's Investigate Light

Directions: Think about the book _____. What did you learn?

1. Make notes about the reading on the chart below.

2. Share your notes with a partner.

What I knew about _____ before reading:	What I learned about _____ from the book:	What I'd like to learn more about: