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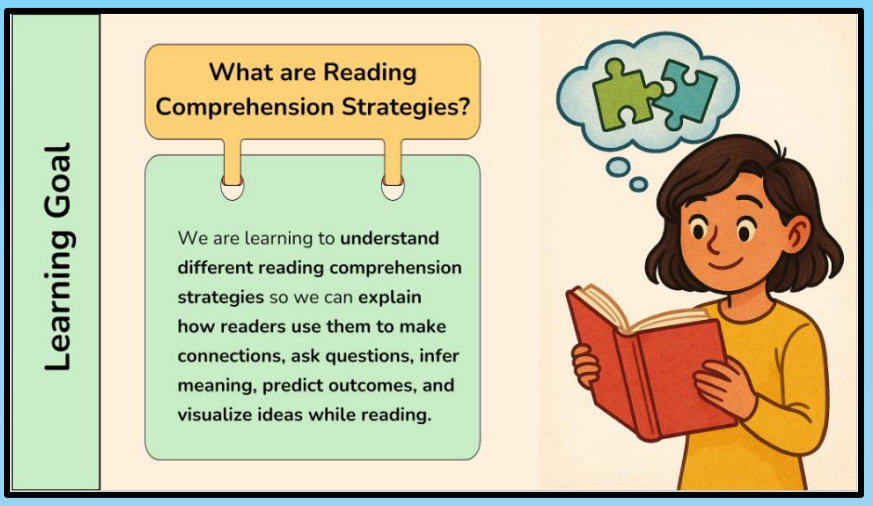
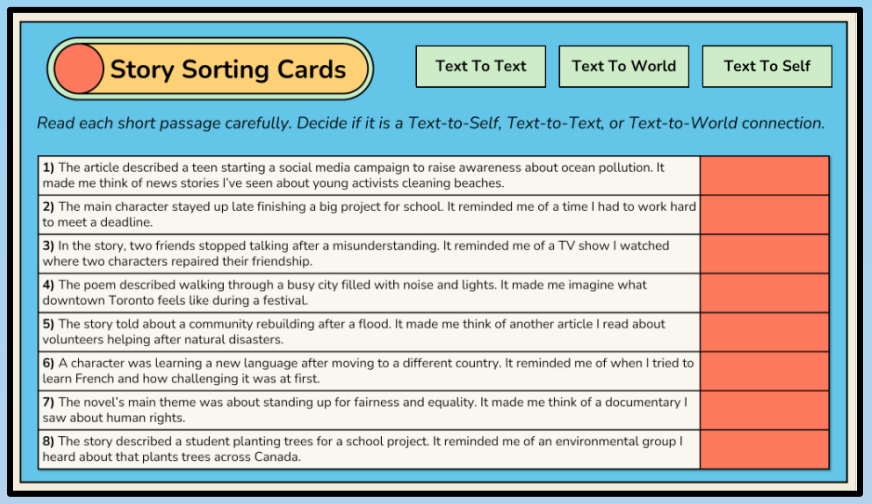
Reading Comprehension – Grade 8

3-Part Lesson Format

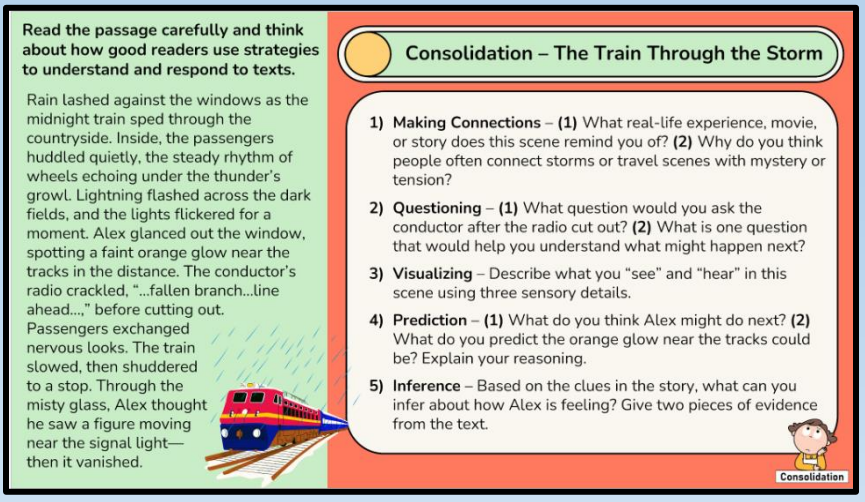
Part 1 – Minds On!
- Learning Goals
- Discussion Questions
- Quotes
- And More!





Part 2 – Action!
- Writing
- Matching
- Drag and Drop
- Drawing
- And More!

Part 3 – Consolidation!
- Exit Cards
- Quizzes
- Reflection
- And More!



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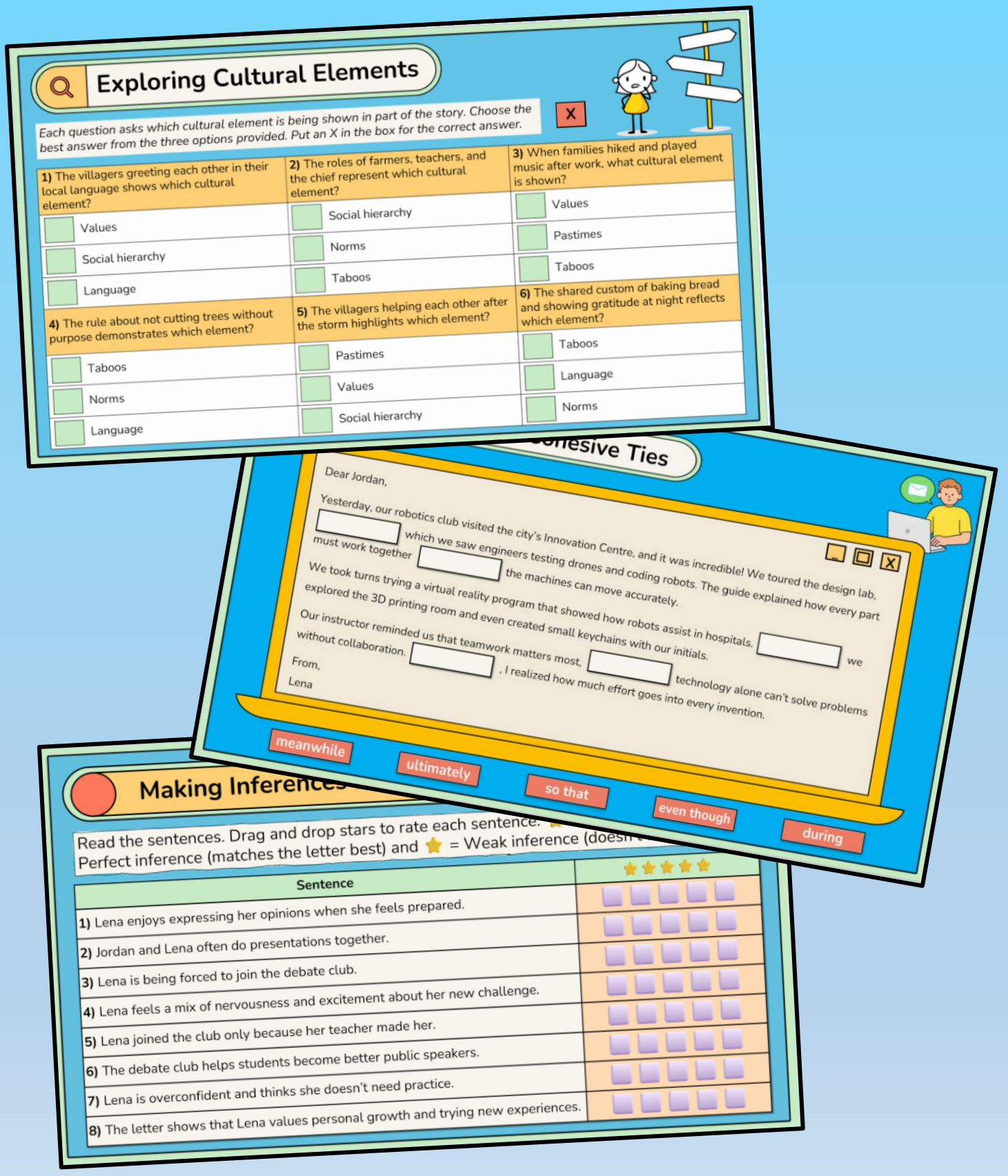

Exploring Cultural Elements

Each question asks which cultural element is being shown in part of the story. Choose the best answer from the three options provided. Put an X in the box for the correct answer.

1) The villagers greeting each other in their local language shows which cultural element?	**2)** The roles of farmers, teachers, and the chief represent which cultural element?	**3)** When families hiked and played music after work, what cultural element is shown?
☐ Values	☐ Social hierarchy	☐ Values
☐ Social hierarchy	☐ Norms	☐ Pastimes
☐ Language	☐ Taboos	☐ Taboos
4) The rule about not cutting trees without purpose demonstrates which element?	**5)** The villagers helping each other after the storm highlights which element?	**6)** The shared custom of baking bread and showing gratitude at night reflects which element?
☐ Taboos	☐ Pastimes	☐ Taboos
☐ Norms	☐ Values	☐ Language
☐ Language	☐ Social hierarchy	☐ Norms

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Dear Jordan,

Yesterday, our robotics club visited the city's Innovation Centre, and it was incredible! We toured the design lab, _____ which we saw engineers testing drones and coding robots. The guide explained how every part must work together _____ the machines can move accurately.

We took turns trying a virtual reality program that showed how robots assist in hospitals. _____ we explored the 3D printing room and even created small keychains with our initials.

Our instructor reminded us that teamwork matters most, _____ technology alone can't solve problems without collaboration. _____, I realized how much effort goes into every invention.

From,
Lena

meanwhile | ultimately | so that | even though | during

Making Inferences

Read the sentences. Drag and drop stars to rate each sentence. ★
Perfect inference (matches the letter best) and ★ = Weak inference (doesn

Sentence	★★★★★
1) Lena enjoys expressing her opinions when she feels prepared.	
2) Jordan and Lena often do presentations together.	
3) Lena is being forced to join the debate club.	
4) Lena feels a mix of nervousness and excitement about her new challenge.	
5) Lena joined the club only because her teacher made her.	
6) The debate club helps students become better public speakers.	
7) Lena is overconfident and thinks she doesn't need practice.	
8) The letter shows that Lena values personal growth and trying new experiences.	

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Match The Story to The Principle!

Drag the principle to the matching part of the story. One answer can be used twice.

Part from The Gift of the Great Lake	Principle
Ruby thanked the tree for its gift.	
The group used each piece wisely.	
They worked together to make the drum.	
The friends sang as they worked in harmony.	
The drum's sound brought people together.	
Ruby reminded everyone to show care for nature.	
They shared songs and stories while working.	
The drum's rhythm echoed through the valley.	
They honoured the fallen cedar before using it.	
The dance connected people, Earth, and ancestors.	

Principle Bank

- Reciprocity
- Interrelatedness
- Respect
- Reverence
- Synergy
- Holism
- Responsibility

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Some sentences are written in a serious way, ... to make a point. Look at each statement from the story and ...

Characteristic	Answ...
1) The mayor declared the town perfect every morning on television.	
2) Citizens smiled exactly 12 times a day because of a government rule.	
3) People were sent to a "Joy Refresher Workshop" for frowning.	
4) The town library was empty because reading made people "too curious."	
5) The mayor banned rain because it ruined people's hair.	
6) Tourists visited once, took photos, and never came back.	



Mini Poster Challenge

Read the persuasive poster carefully.

Question	Answer	
	Yes	No
1) Is the poster asking the reader to take action?		
2) What is the main message of this poster?		
3) Why does the poster include statistics like "80% of what Americans throw away is recyclable"?		
4) How do the images help support the message?		
5) Why do you think they included a QR code at the bottom?		
6) What audience do you think this poster is targeting?		
7) How does the poster encourage people to take action?		