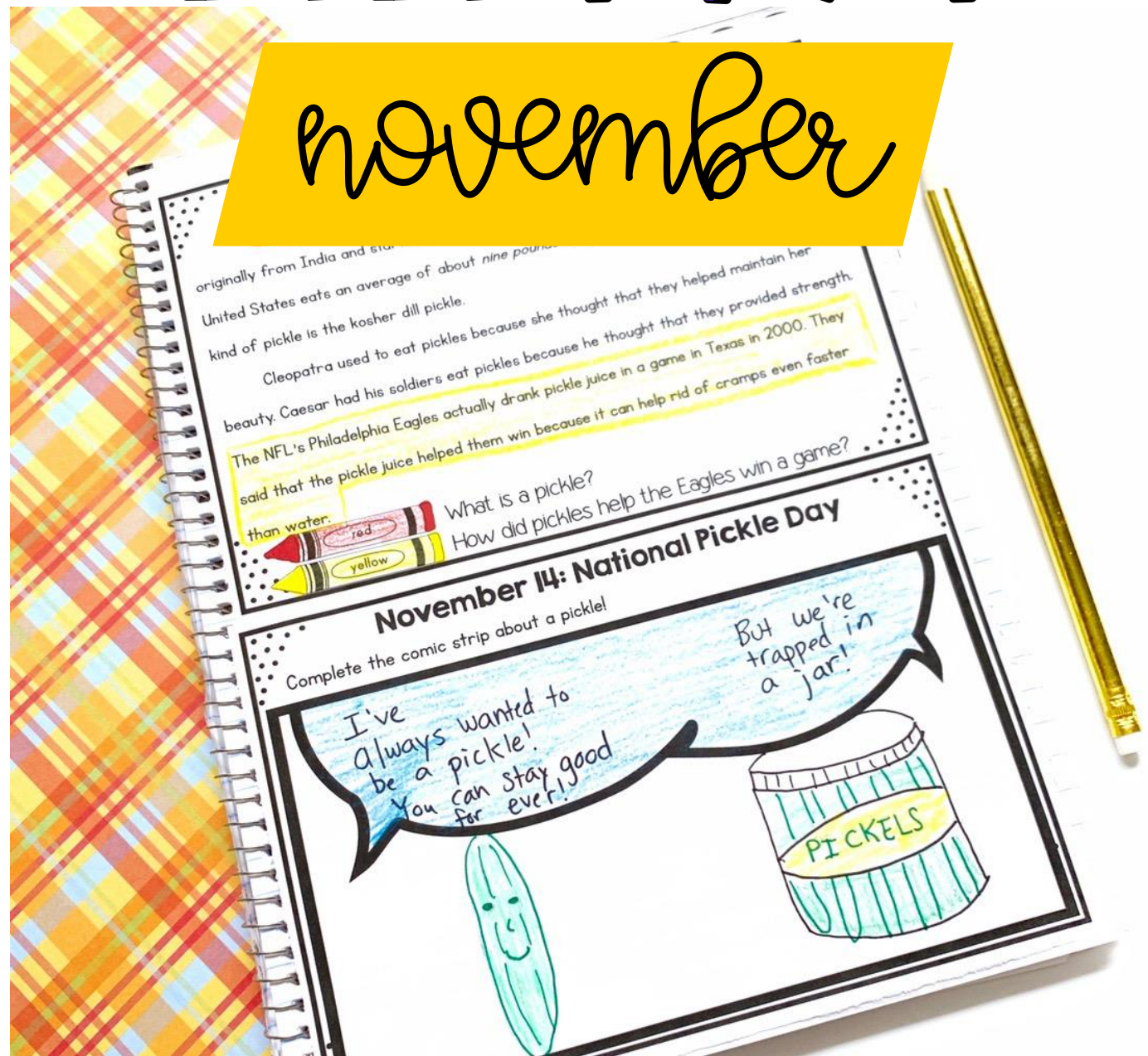


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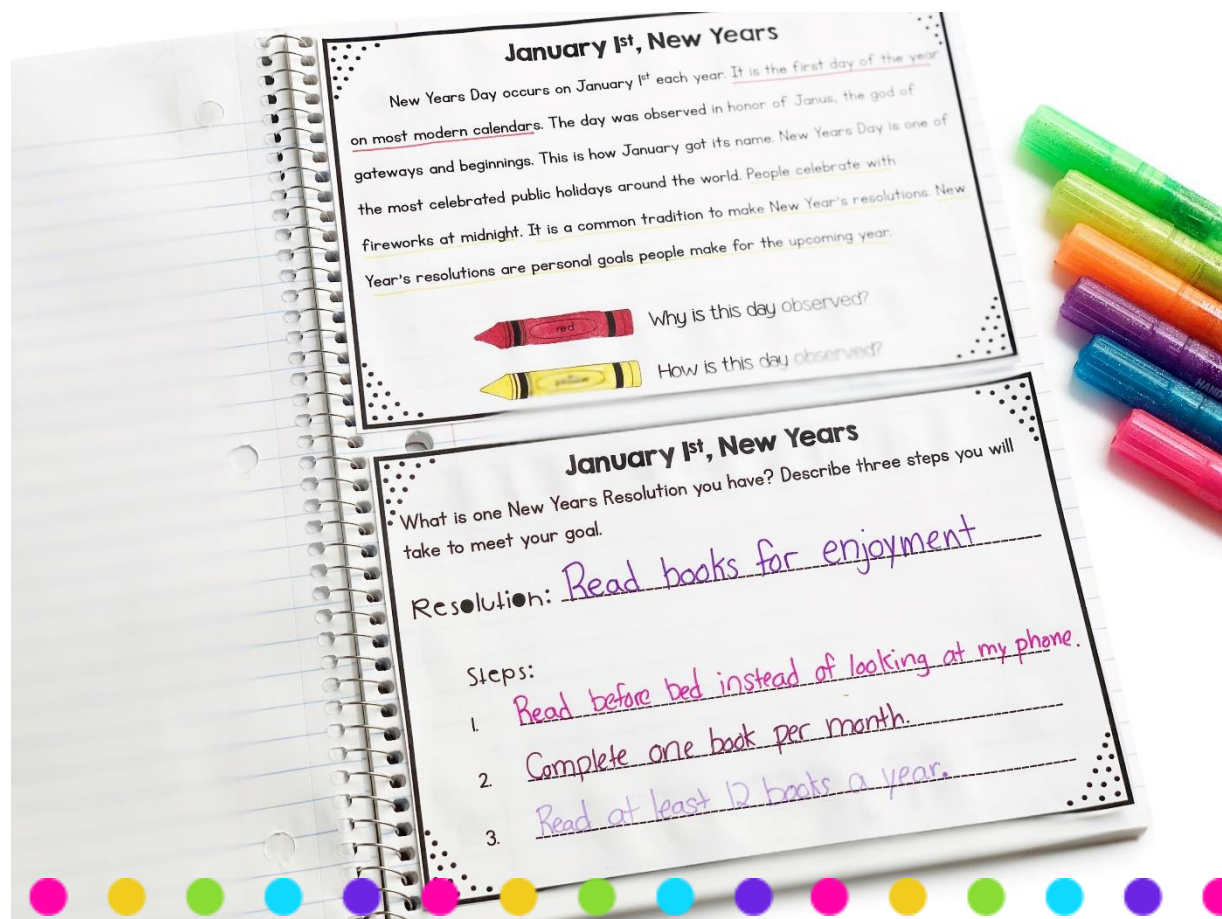


2nd & 3rd Grade Morning Work



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Morning Work



Tips for Implementation

Overview

Routines are key for classroom management! Having a consistent morning routine with activities your students can complete independently is crucial to helping teachers get organized and start the day off on the right foot.

When I was in the classroom, I wanted to provide quick, meaningful, standards-based work that would help my students solidify some important skills through repetition.

These morning work activities are designed to be engaging and fun, while also integrating reading, math, science, social studies, and health. Using these activities in your daily morning routine will help your students with:

- **Reading Comprehension:** Find text evidence for “right there” questions.
- **Writing:** Be exposed to various genres of writing, including opinion, functional, narrative, and reading response passages. Students will be required to use examples and details to support their thinking.
- **Math:** Create and respond to questions about bar graphs.

I recommend giving your students approximately 15 minutes to complete all of the activities each morning.

Review and Quality Control

Let's be honest. You don't need “one more thing” to grade. Who has time for that? Spend five minutes each day reviewing students' responses and asking follow-up graphing questions as a class.

I do recommend taking a few minutes either every day or weekly to do quick checks in your classes' journals.

I prefer “quick checks” daily. In the last few minutes of morning work time, rotate through the classroom with your flair pen, and skim students' work to give them feedback (orally or written). Quick check marks show that you checked certain entries. If you are not consistently checking quality and setting expectations for complete responses, students will not produce quality work. The work will not be meaningful then.

November

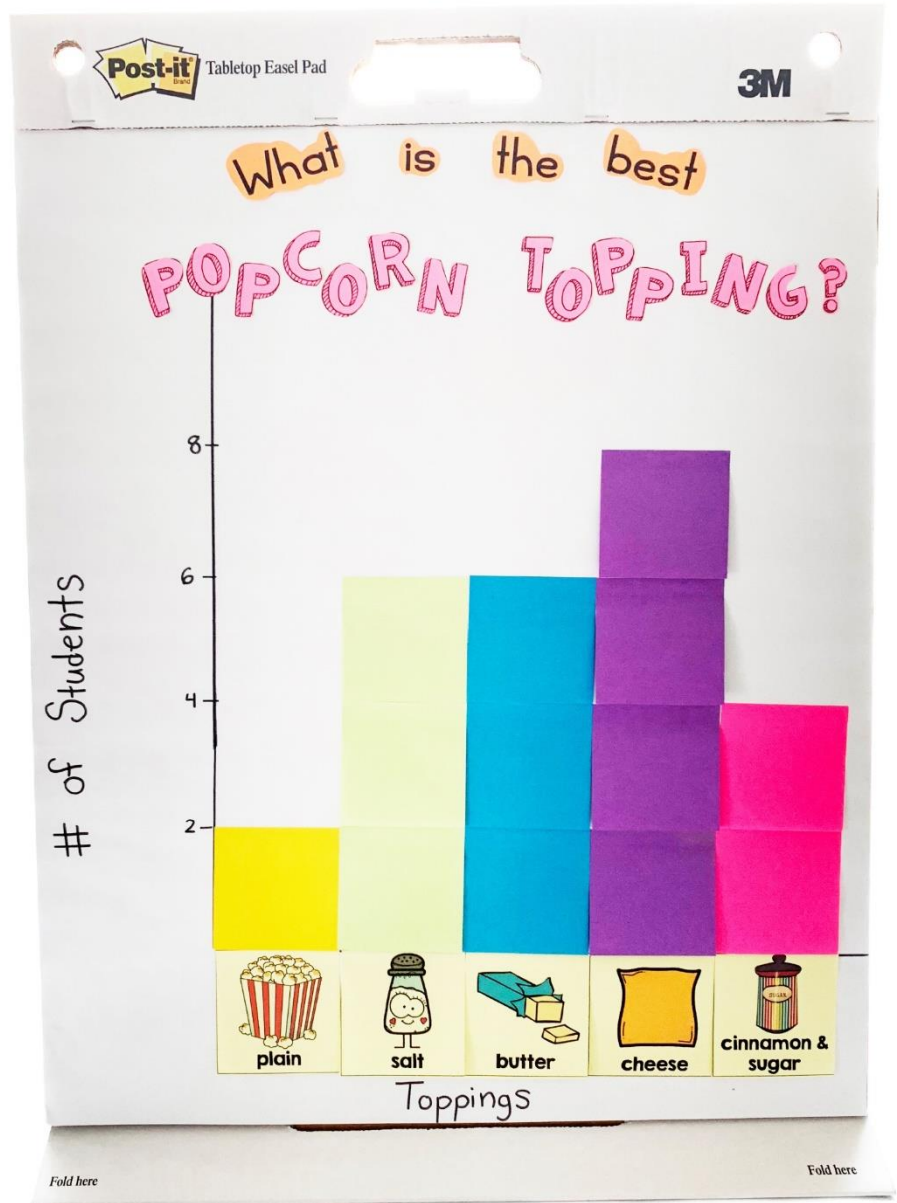
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4	National Candy Day
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6	National Nachos Day
7	National Canine Lymphoma Awareness Day
8	National STEM/STEAM Day
9	National Louisiana Day
10	Marine Corps Day
11	Veterans Day
12	National French Dip Day
13	National Educational Support Professionals Day
14	National Pickle Day
15	America Recycles Day
16	National Indiana Day
17	National Take a Hike Day
18	Mickey Mouse's Birthday
19	National Entrepreneurs' Day
20	National Absurdity Day
21	World Television Day
22	Humane Society Anniversary Day
23	National Cashew Day
24	Celebrate Your Unique Talent Day
25	Shopping Reminder Day
26	National Cake Day
27	National Tie One On Day
28	Thanksgiving Day
29	Buy Nothing Day
30	National Mississippi Day

Daily Bar Graph Directions

Use your dry-erase board or a piece of chart paper as a daily graph template. Laminating a piece of chart paper will help it last longer and allow you to change graph titles.

Setting up the Graph

1. Each morning, set up the graph by labeling the graph title and x- and y-axes with sticky notes. (Print the labels using the sticky note template. Print out the template, and place sticky notes on the indicated squares. Run the sheet through your printer with the sticky notes attached as normal.)
2. As your students become familiar with the routines, have them take over with setting up the graph! Leave the titles and labels blank, and ask your students what they should be during your review time. You can also select different students each day to set up and label the graph.
3. Provide blank sticky notes for your students to use each morning to select their graphing choices. To save paper, laminate sticky notes, and place magnets or Velcro on the backs.
4. After students complete the writing activity, have them place their squares on the graph.



Bar Graph Questions

Asking Graphing Questions

When beginning this routine, I recommend asking the graphing questions orally and having your students respond orally during a class meeting. As they become familiar with routines and questions, you can have them write and answer their own questions. I had my early finishers write and answer questions that followed my question formats. They would then “play teacher” by running the review and asking their classmates their questions.

2nd Grade Graphing Questions (2.MD.D.10– Single Scale Graphs)

- How many people selected (choice 1) and (choice 2)?
- (The number of) students voted today. If (a number of) students voted for (choice 1), how many students voted for (choice 2)?
- How many more people selected (choice 1) than (choice 2)?
- How many less people selected (choice 1) than (choice 2)?

3rd Grade Graphing Questions (3.MD.B.3– Scaled Graphs)

After students have mastered questions in the 2nd grade category, begin to mix up the graphing scales, and ask the following questions:

- 2-Step “How Many More” Questions: How many more people selected (choice 1 and 2) than (choice 3)?
- 2-Step “How Many Less” Questions: How many less people selected (choice 1 and 2) than (choice 3)?

Graphing Questions

Write your own questions about the class graph. Answer your questions.

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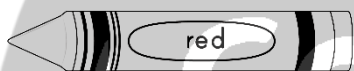
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November 1: National Authors' Day

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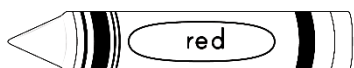


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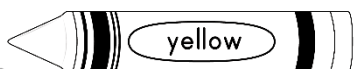
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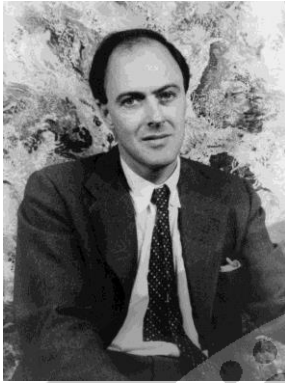
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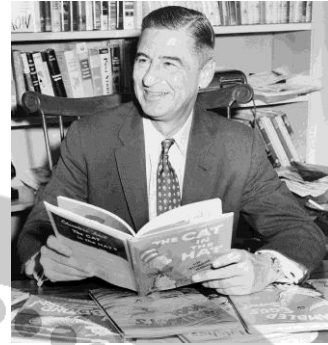
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Which of These Famous Children's Book Authors Is Your Favorite?



Roald Dahl

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, Matilda, Witches



Dr. Seuss

The Cat in the Hat, Horton Hears a Who, How the Grinch Stole Christmas



J. K. Rowling

Harry Potter series

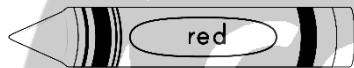


Chris Van Allsburg

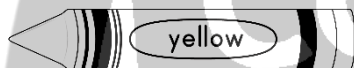
Jumanji, The Polar Express

November 2: National Ohio Day

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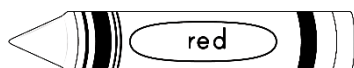
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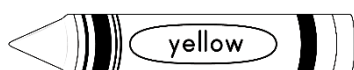
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Which Ohio Tourist Attraction Would You Most Like to Visit?



**Rock and Roll
Hall of Fame**



**National
Museum of the
US Air Force**



**Cedar Point
Amusement
Park**



**Amish
Country**



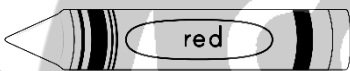
**Stan Hywet Hall
& Gardens**



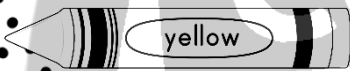
**Fountain
Square**

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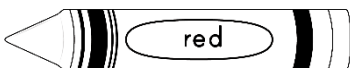
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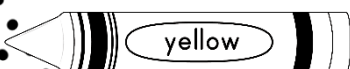
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Which Would Be Your Preference?



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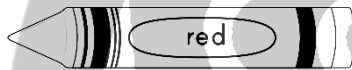


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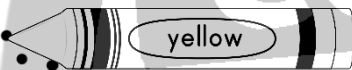
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November 4: National Candy Day

Between hard candies, gumdrops, chocolates, and licorice, the list goes on and on. Today is the day we celebrate all of the delicious sweetness that ruins our teeth - candy! Candy was originally used as a medicine for an upset stomach or to make a sore throat feel better. Before sugar was readily available, honey was put on fruits and flowers to make candies. Once it started being consumed as a treat, only the wealthy were able to afford it; however, beginning in 1979, the world was able to produce more sugar than it was able to consume, making it much cheaper. Today, the average American eats a whopping 25 pounds of candy a year!



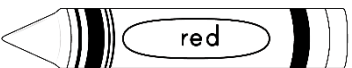
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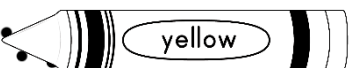
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Which of These Top-Selling Candy Bars Do You Like the Most?

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**Hershey's
Milk
Chocolate
Bar**

**Cadbury
Dairy
Milk**

Kit Kat

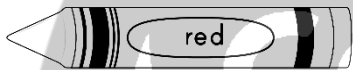
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**Reese's
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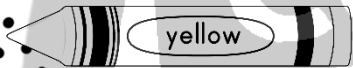
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Most people born with red hair have brown eyes. Redheads also do not go gray because their hair turns to blond and then to white. People with red hair usually have less strands of hair, but it is thicker than the other shades. Today, be sure to find your redheaded friends, and give them some extra love for being so special!



What is the chance of having red hair and blue eyes?

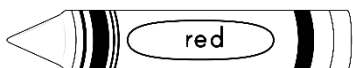


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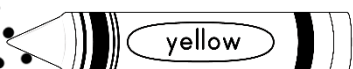
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Which Shade of Hair Do You Think Has the Most Strands of Hair?

(Answer: Brunettes have 140,000 strands. Blonds have about 110,000 strands, and redheads have only 90,000.)



Redheads



Brunettes



Blonds

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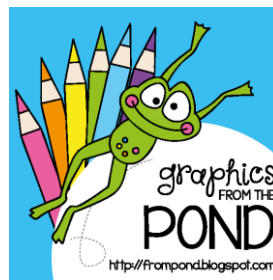
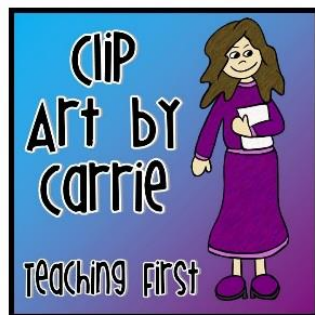


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