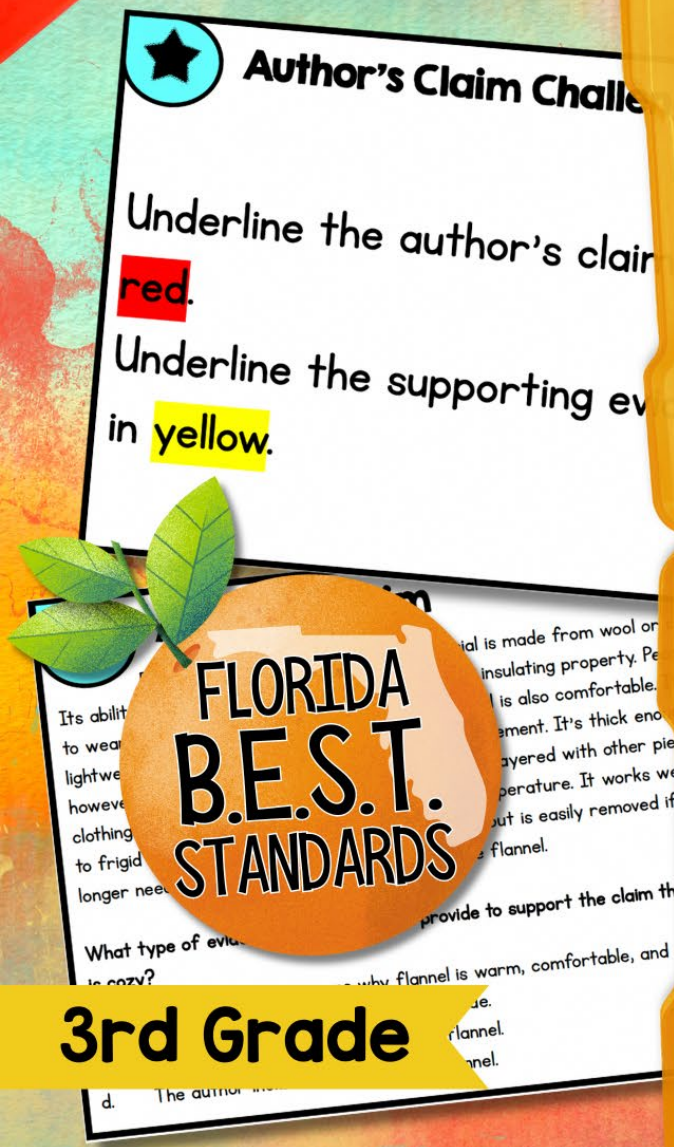
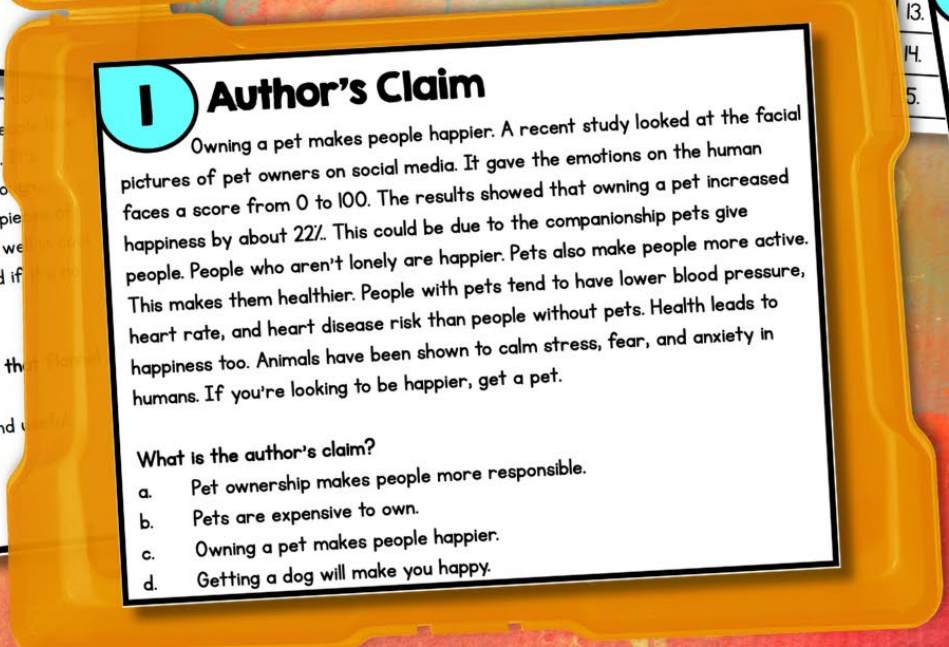
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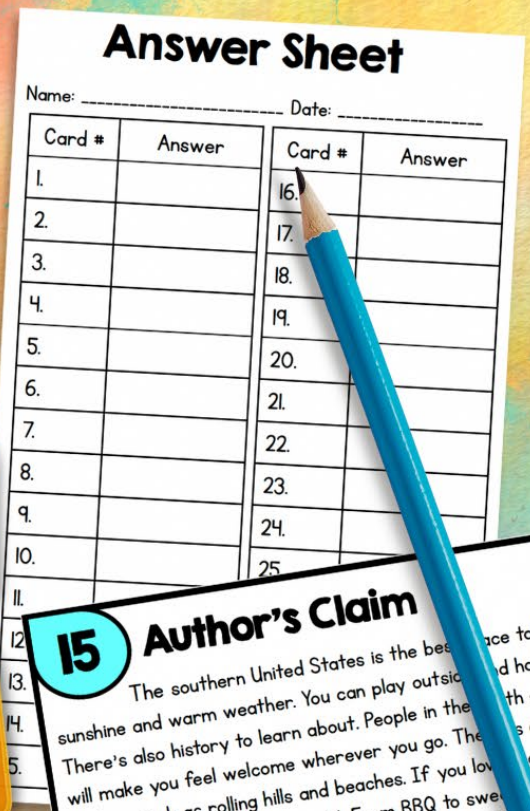
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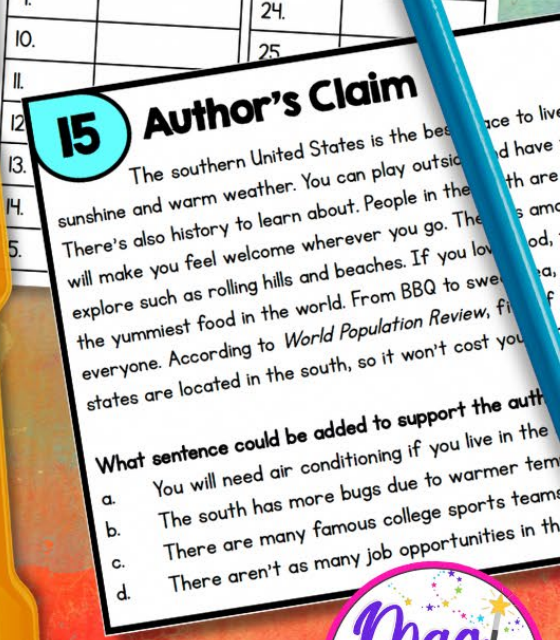












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Ways to Use Task Cards

1. **Centers**
2. **Scoot:** Pass out one card for each student. Set a timer and say, "Scoot!" when the timer goes off. Students move seats to the next card. They continue to rotate until they are back at their original seats.
3. **Scavenger Hunt:** Hide cards around the room. Students search for cards and answer them.
4. **Jenga:** Number Jenga blocks. Students stack the blocks then take turns pulling them. Students answer the corresponding number card.
5. **Whole-Class Practice:** Teacher displays card on the projector. Students answer on mini whiteboards.
6. **Exit Tickets:** Give each student a task card at the end of the lesson. Have them answer on a sticky note.

1 Author's Claim

Owning a pet makes people happier. A recent study looked at the face pictures of pet owners on social media. It gave the emotions on the human faces a score from 0 to 100. The results showed that owning a pet increased happiness by about 22%. This could be due to the companionship pets give people. People who aren't lonely are happier. Pets also make people more active. This makes them healthier. People with pets tend to have lower blood pressure, heart rate, and heart disease risk than people without pets. Health leads to happiness too. Animals have been shown to calm stress, fear, and anxiety in humans. If you're looking to be happier, get a pet.

What is the author's claim?

a. Pet ownership makes people more responsible.
b. Pets are expensive to own.
c. Owning a pet makes people happier.
d. Getting a dog will make you happy.

2 Author's Claim

Are you forest bathing? You should be. Forest bathing is spending time in nature. Forest bathing is a Japanese practice. It is not a power hike on uphill trails. It's a slow-paced stroll through the woods. Forest bathers take the time to notice wildlife. They breathe deeply. They enjoy being outside. Forest bathing has many benefits. Forest bathing has been scientifically proven to increase immunity. This helps avoid illness. It decreases the risk of cancer and heart attack. Walks in nature give you more energy, help you sleep better, and boost your mood. You are guaranteed to feel better after a good forest bath.

Which evidence does the author supply to support the claim that you should be forest bathing?

a. The author lists the benefits of forest bathing to your health.
b. The author provides examples different ways to forest bathe.
c. The author includes quotes from famous forest bathing experts.
d. The author gives suggestions of where to forest bathe.

3 Author's Claim

It is important to search for new planets in space. Those planets could support life. Planets could orbit a stable star (like the Sun) and have liquid water. Padi Boyd is an American astrophysicist who works for NASA. She says we could learn if we alone in the universe. This could change the way we think about ourselves. We'll know if Earth isn't the only place where life exists. We could also learn more about how planets that have life are formed. We could study what they are made of. We don't want to miss a chance to change human history... and our future.

What is the main reason the author claims that it is important to search for new planets?

a. We could become famous for discovering new planets.
b. We could answer the question "Are we alone in the universe?"
c. We could learn more about Earth by finding new planets.
d. We could live on these new planets if something happens to Earth.

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4 Author's Claim

Playing sports is good for children. It helps children keep a healthy weight. The CDC reports that the rate of obesity for children and teens has risen to 22% since the COVID-19 pandemic. Becoming active with a sport could help to lower this rate. Sports also improve mental health. Sports boost how children feel about themselves. They also reduce stress and anxiety. Social skills are developed while playing sports too. Children have to practice teamwork, communication, and sportsmanship. Studies have also shown that students who play sports do better in school. Sports are a fun experiences as well.

What evidence does the author supply to support the claim that playing sports offers many benefits to children?

a. The author lists the many benefits of playing sports.
b. The author tells about personal experiences with playing sports.
c. The author gives examples of different sports to play.
d. The author includes quotes from school sports coaches.

Answer Sheet

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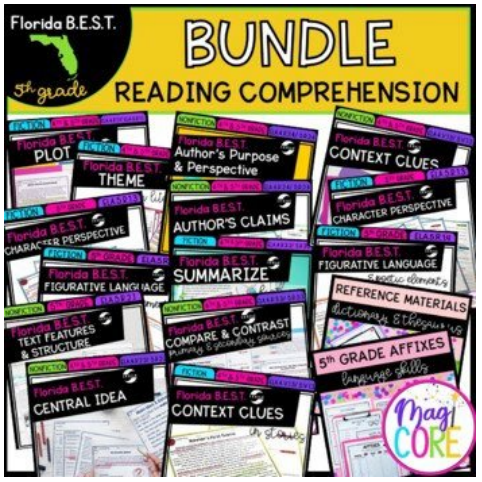
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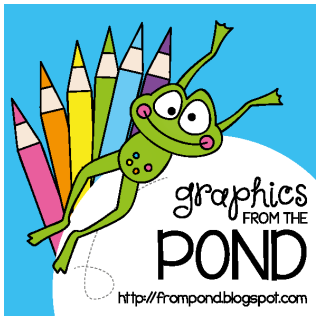
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