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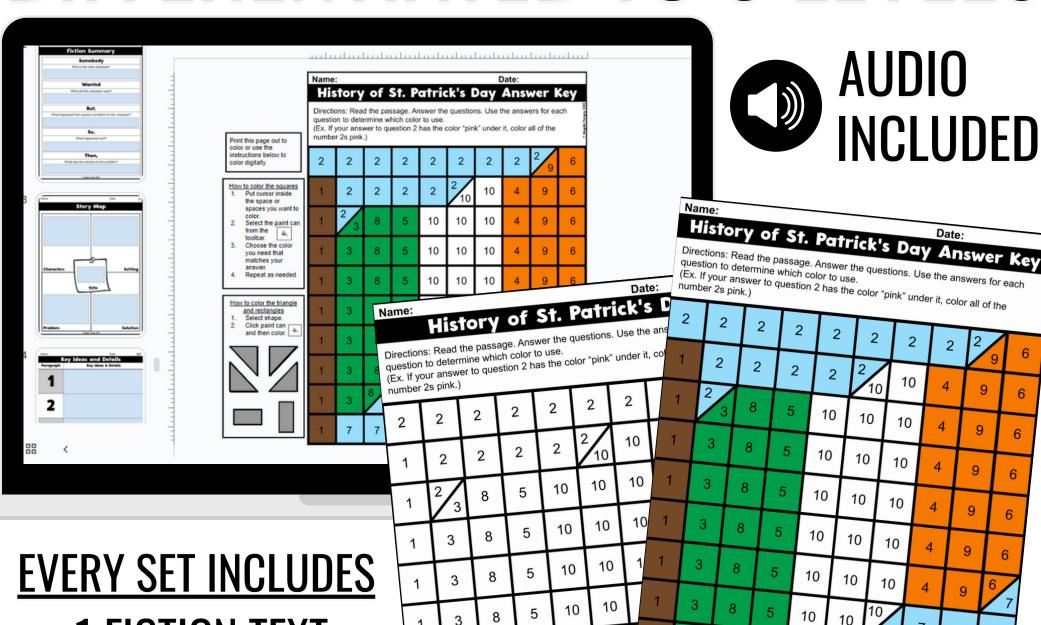
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Avery closed the ropes around the leprechaun and said, "We caught you. We'd like three wishes now."

The small green man's eyes filled with tears. "Please don't steal my pot of gold. It's have left in the world," he said.

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"I'm not fooling you. I swear! Please let me go, and I'll show you," the leprechaun

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The leprechaun came out from under the net. He grabbed his pot of gold and rar he path as he laughed to himself, "Humans are so easily tricked! Better luck ne

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Passage 2-Nonfiction

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umber of traditions on St. Patrick's Day. There are parades, special foods, music, tancing, and a whole lot of green. However, many people do not even know where these traditions began or how they came to be.

First, the shamrock is a prominent icon of St. Patrick's Day. It is believed that St. Patrick used the shamrock in his sermons. He used the shamrock's three leaves to show the Holy Trinity. However, there is no official record that this is actually true. Still, the shamrock is an important symbol of St. Patrick's Day. Over time, it has become a symbol of pride for many Irish people.

Another icon of St. Patrick's Day is the leprechaun. The leprechaun is an Irish fairy. A leprechaun is an old man who is about two feet tall. He is dressed completely in green. He holds a large walking-type stick called a shillelagh. He uses it to bring fear to those who try to steal his gold. He spends most of his time alone. He is known to be very lucky. He hides a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow. People often search for him in hopes of finding his gold. No one really knows how leprechauns became a S Day icon. Some people have wondered if it is because the creature wears gr is no known connection between leprechauns and St. Patrick.

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St. Patrick's Day Traditions & Beliefs ●

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Parades and festivals are other common St. Patrick's Day events. The first St. k's Day parade was held in New York City in 1762. The first St. Patrick's Day in Ireland wasn't until 1975. The popularity of parades grew over the years, and ere are parades held all over the world.

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St. Patrick's Day Traditions & Beliefs Writing Prompt

Should each of the traditions be included on a day to honor St. Patrick? Why or why not? Be sure to provide specific examples to support your statements.

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St. Patrick's Day Traditions & Beliefs

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Another iconic figure of St. Patrick's Day is the leprechaun. The leprechaun is a Irish fairy. Typically, fairies are beautiful and elegant looking. The leprechaun, on the other hand, is an old man who is about two feet tall. He is dressed completely in gree יינוופן זומווט, וא מון טוט זומון איווט וא מטטטנע נאיט ופפר נמון. דופ וא טופאפט טטוווףופנפוץ זון פופר In Irish fairy tales, he holds a large walking-type stick called a <u>shillelagh</u>, which he u to elicit fear from those who try to steal his gold. He spends most of his time alone, searching for gold or making shoes. Rumor has it that he is very lucky and hides a gold at the end of a rainbow. Thus, people often search for him in hopes of finding gold or receiving luck. No one really knows how leprechauns became a St. Patrick icon. However, some people have speculated that because the creature wears gr was naturally introduced to the celebrations. Despite all of this, there is no known on between leprechauns and St. Patrick.

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Passage 3-Nonfiction

History of St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day happens every year on March 17. This date marks the death of ${f t}$. Patrick. He was one of the most important saints of Ireland. The holiday started out s a religious one, but it has <u>evolved</u>, or changed, into a celebration of Irish culture.

The holiday was named after Patrick. There is very little accurate information known about what happened in Patrick's life. The Irish are known for creating detailed stories and exaggerating details. While some details might be true, others might not be factual. The following is one account of Patrick's life.

The real St. Patrick wasn't even Irish! He was born in Britain in the fourth century. His family was wealthy, and his father was a deacon in the Christian church. Patrick grew up going to church and knew the Bible well.

When Patrick was sixteen years old, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders that were attacking his family's home. Not long after that, he was sold into slavery. During this time, he worked as a shepherd. He tended to sheep in the countryside of Ireland. For the most part, he lived a solitary, or lonely, life and did not interact with people often.

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History of St. Patrick's Day Writing Name:

Based on the information in the passage, do you think that Irish people all over the world celebrate St. Patrick's Day in the same way? Why or why not? Use details from the passage to support your response.

History of St. Patrick's

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| | Read the following sentence from the passage. |
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Which of the statement above? ORANGE Sequence/ Chronological Which of the following text Order 7 structures is this passage Which best s written in?

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According to legends about the saint, he later escaped slavery by running t coast and boarding a ship headed for Britain. After safely arriving back home, he embarked on a journey to become a priest. He then returned to Ireland as a missionary, hoping to introduce Christianity to the Irish. Many people were impa

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