

2nd Grade Robust Vocabulary

Theme1

Lesson 1- Arthur's Reading Race

- Ignore -If you refuse to pay attention to something, you ignore it.
- Dangerous -If something is likely to cause harm or injury, it is dangerous.
- Proficient -When you are very good at doing something, you are proficient at it.
- Style -If you have a certain way of doing something, that way is your style.
- Passion -If you do something with energy and strong feelings, you do it with passion.
- Heed -If you listen to a warning and use it to help you do something, you heed the warning.
- Challenge -If you ask someone to be in a contest, you challenge him or her.
- Underestimate -When you think that something will be easier than it really is, you underestimate it.

Lesson 2 – Frog and Toad All Year

- Edge -If you are at the edge of something, you are at the border, or side.
- Unselfish -If you are unselfish, you share with others.
- Hesitate -If you hesitate, you pause, or wait, before doing something.
- Anonymous -If you wanted to be anonymous when you wrote a story, you wouldn't use your own name.
- Satisfied -If you are satisfied, you feel happy with the way things are.
- Neighborly -If you are neighborly, you are friendly to people who live near you.
- Ventured -If you ventured somewhere, you went some place new.
- Described -If you described something that happened, you told about it.

Lesson 3 – Henry and Mudge

- Blockade -If something prevents you from getting into a place, it is a blockade.
- Principles -The things you believe about what is right and what is wrong are your principles.
- Opinionated -When you have strong ideas about something, you are opinionated.
- Soaked -When a cloth takes in water and becomes wet, it has soaked up the water.
- Deny -When you don't give someone something that they've asked for, you deny them what they want.
- Bulk - When you talk about the size and weight of a large object, you are talking about its bulk.
- Misplaced - When something is in the wrong place, it is misplaced.
- Consider -When you think very carefully about an idea, you consider it.

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Lesson 4 – Dogs

- Position -When you describe the way that a person or thing stands, sits, or lies down, you tell about that person's or thing's position.
- Responsibility -If you have a responsibility, there is something you have to do or take care of.
- Assistance -When you help someone or something, you give assistance.
- Depend -When you depend on something or someone, you need that person or thing.
- Attached -If you are attached to someone or something, you feel very close to that person or thing.
- Affinity -If you have an affinity for something, you naturally like it.
- Disability -If something stops you from doing something that most people can do, you have a disability.
- Frisky - If a pet is frisky, it is very lively and playful.

Lesson 5 – Neighborhood News

- Location -A location is a place.
- Penalty -When someone gets a punishment for doing something wrong, the punishment can be called a penalty.
- Selected -If you have chosen a particular thing, you have selected it.
- Positive -When you are very sure about something, you are positive.
- Announcement -When someone gives new information to a group of people, that person has made an announcement.
- Flutters -If something flies or moves in a light and quick way, it flutters.
- Excitable -If people or animals can get worked up easily, they are excitable.
- Career -A career is a job for which someone might get training or go to school.

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Lesson 6- Winners Never Quit

- Worthwhile -If you decide that something is worthwhile, you think it is important.
- Agile -If you are agile, you can move quickly and easily.
- Struggle -If you struggle, you try extra hard to do something.
- Competitive -When you are competitive, you try hard to win or be the best.
- Techniques -When you practice routines or methods to help you do something, you are practicing techniques.
- Traction -When you walk up a hill or across some ice, traction is what keeps you from sliding.
- Spectator -When you go to watch a game or show, you are a spectator.
- Specially -If something has been made just for you, it has been made specially for you.

Lesson 7- Gus and Grandpa and the Two-Wheeled Bike

- Rickety – If something is rickety, it is old and shaky.
- Romp- When you romp, you move around playfully.
- Rattling – If something is rattling, it is making short knocking sounds.
- Defeated - If you feel like you have lost, you feel defeated.
- Prying – If you are prying something, you are opening it with a crowbar or other tool.
- Jubilant - When you feel joyful and happy, you are jubilant.
- Impatiently – If you are waiting impatiently, you are upset that you have to wait.
- Master - If you master something, you learn how to do it well.

Lesson 8- The Great Ball Game

- Clutched - If you clutched something, you held it tightly.
- Clambered - If you clambered, you climbed with both hands and feet.
- Clumsy - When you trip and fall, or when you can't move easily, you may feel clumsy.
- Ached - If you ached, you felt sore or were in pain.
- Feud - If you have a feud with someone, you have a big argument.
- Superior - If you are superior, you are the best.
- Refuse - If you refuse something, you don't want it.
- Insult -If you insult someone, you say something mean.

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Lesson 9- The Great Ball Game

- Brisk - When you walk in a quick and lively way, you have a brisk walk.
- Strutted - If you strutted across a room, you walked like you were the most important person in the world.
- Gobbled - If you gobbled up your dinner, you quickly gulped your food.
- Paced - If someone walked back and forth in a small area, he or she paced.
- Request - When you request something, you ask for it.
- Negotiate - When you negotiate, you talk, and offer to give up on thing in exchange for another, in hopes of reaching an agreement.
- Compromise - When each side in an argument gives up part of what it wants, the sides have made a compromise.
- Improve - When you make something better, you improve it.

Lesson 10- A Trip to the Fire Station

- Minor - If something is not important, it is minor.
- Hazard - Something that could be dangerous is a hazard.
- Previous - If something happened before something else, then it is a previous event.
- Efficient - If someone gets things done quickly, correctly, and without trouble, that person is efficient.
- Priorities - If some things are more important than any other things, they are priorities.
- Instantly - If something takes almost no time to happen, it happens instantly.
- Extinguish - When you completely put out something, like a fire, you extinguish it.
- Drench - When you completely soak something, you drench it.

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Lesson 11- Jamaica Louise James

- Filthy - If something is very dirty, it is filthy.
- Renowned - If you are renowned, you are famous for something.
- Fellow - You use fellow to describe a person who has something in common with you.
- Kin - Your kin are all of your family members and relatives.
- Executive - When someone is a boss in charge of a business, that person is called an executive.
- Original - When something is original, it is the first of its kind.
- Beautifying - When you are making something nicer or more beautiful than it was, you are beautifying it.
- Adorn - When you adorn something, you decorate it and make it beautiful.

Lesson 12- At Play: Long Ago and Today

- Recently - If something happened a short time ago, it happened recently.
- Recreation - When you do something fun and relaxing, it is considered recreation.
- Housed - If something is placed or lives somewhere, it is housed there.
- Leisurely - If you do something in a leisurely way, you are not in a hurry.
- Official - If someone makes decisions for the government or a business, the person is called an official.
- Ramble - When you ramble, you wander around.
- Nominate - When you suggest that someone should get an office, job, or honor, you nominate the person.
- Archaic - If something is archaic, it is old or outdated.

Lesson 13- Big Bushy Mustache

- Wilting - When a plant doesn't get enough water, its leaves start to droop because they are wilting.
- Flitted - If something moved quickly from place to place without stopping for long, it flitted.
- Swirling - If something is swirling, it is moving round and round quickly.
- Trance - When someone is in a trance, he or she seems to be asleep, but his or her eyes are open.
- Route - When you follow the same route to school or to the store every day, you are going the same way each time.

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- Semblance - When you make a drawing that looks a lot like someone, it is a good semblance of that person.
- Distraught- When someone is distraught, that person is very, very unhappy.
- Improvise - If you improvise a song or a story, then you make it up as you sing the song or tell the story.

Lesson 14- Rain Forest Babies

- Dappled - If something is dappled, it has spots, streaks, or patches of different colors or shades.
- Entranced - If you are entranced by something, it has delighted or amazed you.
- Trooped - If you trooped someplace, you moved along with a group of people.
- Circling - If something is circling you, it is moving around you.
- Adorable - If something is very cute, it is adorable.
- Assortment - If you see a variety or mixture of things, you see an assortment.
- Habitat - If a plant or an animal lives in a particular place in nature, that is its habitat.
- Immense - If something is really big or huge, it is immense.

Lesson 15- A Birthday Mystery

- Bewildered - When you are bewildered, you are confused and unable to understand something.
- Evasive - When someone tries to avoid answering a question, that person is being evasive.
- Mull - When you think through possible solutions to a problem, or the answer to a question, you mull over the information.
- Startle - If someone comes up quietly behind you and surprises you, the person may startle you.
- Distrust - When someone is not honest with you, you might distrust that person.
- Witness - If someone sees an event and can tell about it, that person is a witness.
- Lock - A group of hairs that hang together is a lock of hair.
- Beneath - If you stand under a tree, you are standing beneath the tree.

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Lesson 16- Mr. Putty and Tabby Write the Book

- Disturb- If you disturb someone, you make a noise that bothers him or her.
- Underneath - If something is underneath you, it is below you.
- Procrastinate - If you procrastinate, you delay or avoid doing something you need to do.
- Diversion - A diversion is something that takes you away from what you are doing or thinking about.
- Cozy -If a place is cozy, it makes you feel warm, happy, and comfortable.
- Enchanting - If you think someone or something is enchanting, you think that person or thing is likeable and enjoyable.
- Instead - When you do one thing instead of a second thing, you do it in place of the second thing.
- Thrilled - If something thrilled you, it made you feel excited and happy.
- Review - If you say or write what you think about a play, a book, or a movie, you are giving a review.
- Celebrate - If you are happy about something, you may have a party to celebrate.

Lesson 17- Annie's Gifts

- Journeyed - If you have traveled on a long trip, you have journeyed.
- Frail - When you feel very weak, you are frail.
- Horrendous - When you see or hear something horrible, or frightening, it is horrendous.
- Melodious - If you hear musical sounds that are pleasant to listen to, you are hearing something melodious.
- Stomped - If you stomped, you used your feet to make heavy, pounding steps.
- Sipped - If you sipped, you took a very small drink of something.
- Entertain - When you entertain an audience, you do something, such as acting or singing that you think people will enjoy.
- Except - When you talk about everything except one, you mean all but one.

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- Carefree - A carefree person does not worry about problems.
- Screeching - If you hear a screeching noise, you hear a loud, high sound that can hurt your ears.

Lesson 18- Ah, Music!

- Attracted - If you attract someone, you make that person want to come to you.
- Territory - An animal's territory is an area of land that it sees as its home.
- Universal - If something is universal, everyone in the world knows or experiences it.
- Audible- If you can hear something, it is audible.
- Volume - When you change the volume on a tv or a radio, you change how loud or soft the sound is.
- Expression - If you use expression when you speak, you use your voice, your face, or your body to add meaning to what you say.
- Creative - If you are creative, you use new or different ideas to make or do something.
- Performance - When you sing, dance, or act in front of an audience, you are giving a performance.
- Concentrate - When you concentrate, you put all of your attention on one thing.
- Relieved - If you are relieved, you feel happy because some kind of worry is gone.

Lesson 19 -George Washington Carver

- Brew - When you brew a drink such as iced tea, you make it yourself by pouring very hot water over the tea and then cooling it.
- Snug - If a piece of clothing has a snug fit, it fits close to you.
- Innovation - When someone thinks of a new idea or product that solves a problem, the new idea or product is an innovation.
- Edible - If something is edible, you can eat it.
- Supplies – Supplies are the materials and equipment needed to do a job.
- Crop - A large planting of one kind of plant is a crop.
- Provide - When you provide something, you give it to someone.
- Earn - When you earn, you get money or some other kind of reward for doing something.
- Committee - When you are on a committee, you work with a group of people on a project or for a special reason.

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- Experiments - Experiments are tests to try out an idea or to find out if something is true.

Lesson 20 -What's My Job

- Sleuths - Sleuths are people who try to solve crimes or mysteries.
- Host - The host of a program introduces the guests and talks with them.
- Statue - A statue is a work of art, often showing a person that can be seen from all sides. It may be made of wood, stone, bronze, or some other hard material.
- Risk - If you take a risk, you take a chance of harm or a bad result.
- Responds - If someone responds to a question, he or she is giving an answer.
- Accurately - When you do something without making any mistakes, you have done it accurately.
- Encountered - If you met someone you didn't expect to see, you encountered that person.
- Originated - The time when something started or began is when it originated.
- Opponent - When you play against someone else to win a game or contest, you are that person's opponent.
- Impulsive - When someone often does things without thinking, that person is impulsive.

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Lesson 21 – A Chair for My Mother

- Bargain -If you get a bargain, you do not have to pay very much for something. You get a good deal.
- Spoiled – If something is damaged or ruined, it is spoiled.
- Boost – If you lift someone up to reach something, you give that person a boost.
- Exchanged – If you have exchanged something, you gave something and got something in return.
- Delivered – If you delivered something, you took something from one place to another.
- Allowance – If you get money from doing a job of chores, you get an allowance.
- Rosy – If someone has rosy cheeks, his or her cheeks look pink or reddish.
- Thrifty – If you are careful about spending your money, you are thrifty.
- Industrious – If you are industrious, you are hard-working.

Lesson 22 – Serious Farm

- Acquired - If you own or buy something, you have acquired it.
- Assumed - If you assumed something, you believed something without thinking about it.
- Absurd - When something is absurd, it is crazy or silly.
- Attempt - If you attempt to do something, you try to do it.
- Serious – When something is serious, it is important and not at all funny.
- Extremely - Something that is extremely a certain way, is very much that way.
- Admit - When you admit something, you agree that it is true even though you might not want to.
- Barely -When you can barely do something, you almost can't do it at all.
- Hilarious- When you think something is hilarious, you think it is very, very funny.
- Witty - If you are witty, you say things in a clever and funny way.

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Lesson 23 – The Bee

- Thickens - If something thickens, it becomes more gooey.
- Plentiful - If something is plentiful, there is a lot of it.
- Role - If you have a role, there are certain things you have to do.
- Diligent - If you are diligent, you keep working until you're done.
- Pattern - When you see a design in something, you are seeing a pattern.
- Sealed - If you sealed something, you closed it up tightly.
- Carefully- When you do something carefully, you pay close attention to what you are doing so that you don't make a mistake.
- Attack - If you attack something, you use great force to try to cause it harm.
- Crowd - When people or animals gather in large numbers, they crowd together.
- Disappear - When something disappears, you can't see it anymore.

Lesson 24 – Watching in the Wild

- Extinct - If an animal is extinct, there are no more of that kind of animal alive.
- Pledge - When you make a pledge, you promise to do something.
- Patience - If you can wait for someone or something without complaining or getting restless, you have patience.
- Tedious - When something is boring and takes a long time to do, it is tedious.
- Blended – When things are blended, they are mixed together so you can't tell there are separate parts.
- Cradled - If you cradle something, you hold it closely as if you were taking care of it.
- Raggedy - When something is raggedy, it looks rough and torn at the edges, like a rag.
- Personalities - People's personalities are made up of all the ways they act, think, and feel that make them special.
- Distance- Distance is how far away something is.
- Crumpled - If you crumple something, you gently crush it or bunch it up.

Lesson 25 – Town Hall

- Accomplish - When you accomplish a task, you have completed it with good results.
- Feasible - If something is feasible, it can be done.
- Attend - If you attend an event, you go to it.
- Report - When you make a report, you tell what you have learned or found out.
- Area - An area is an open space or a part of a place.
- Serve - When you serve people, you bring them food and drinks.
- Race - If someone wants to be the president or a mayor, he or she runs a political race.
- Juggling - If you say you are juggling many things, you are working on many projects at the same time.

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- Preference - If you like one thing better than another, you have a preference.
- Alternatives - If you have several choices, then you have alternatives.

Theme 6

Lesson 26 -Where on Earth Is My Bagel?

- Belongings - The things that you own are your belongings.
- Fleeing - If you are fleeing from something, you are running away from it.
- Crave - When you crave something, you want it very much.
- Correspond - If you correspond with someone, you write a letter or an email to that person.
- Gently- If you do something gently, you do it in a way that is careful and kind.
- Smothered - If you smother something, you cover it completely so that it has no air.
- Replied - When you answered someone's question, you replied.
- Pleaded - If you plead, you beg someone for something.
- Fragrant - If you grunted, you made a small, deep sound in your throat.
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Lesson 27 – My Name is Gabriela

- Accent - If people can tell where you are from by the way you speak, then you speak with an accent.
- Native - If you were born in a certain place, then you are a native of that place.
- Aspire - When you aspire to do something, you try very hard to do it.
- Accolade - When you get a special award or praise for something, you are receiving an accolade.
- Beyond- Something that is beyond something else is farther away.
- Create - When you create, you use your imagination to make something new.
- Noticed - If you noticed something, you observed it carefully.
- Literature - Stories and poems are kinds of literature.

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- Award - When you do something that others think is very good, you may receive a prize or an award.
- Grand -If something is grand, it is important and wonderful.

Lesson 28 – Let’s Go Rock Collecting

- Absolutely - If you absolutely have to do something, you definitely have to do it.
- Halfheartedly - If you do something halfheartedly, you do it without much interest.
- Identify - If you identify something, you figure out what it is.
- Durable - If something is durable, it lasts a long time.
- Rare - If something is rare, it is not found or seen very often.
- Last - Something that will last will be able to be used for a long time.
- Common - If something is common, there is a lot of it or it happens often.
- Settled - If something settled, it moved slowly until it came to rest.
- Separated - If you separated things, you sorted them into groups.
- Collection - When you have a collection, you have a group of things that are kept together.

Lesson 29 – The Lizard and the Sun

- Distinct -When there are several similar, but different objects.
- Slightly -You can barely tell that something happened.
- Infinite -When there is so much of something that it cannot be measured.
- Expansive -Covers a very large area.
- Rotate -Spins like a top.
- Steady -Always looks the same and does not change.
- Reflect -Light bounces off of a surface instead of shining through it.
- Surface -The top part of something.
- Evidence -Proof that something has happened.
- Appear -The way something looks or seems to be.

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Lesson 30 – Cross-Country Vacation

- Delay –To keep something from happening as soon as it should.
- Fantastic – Wonderful.
- Spare – Extra time, money, or space that you do not need.
- Historical – Part of history.
- Impressive – Something you think that is very, very good.
- Upbeat – Acting in a cheerful way.
- Zoom – Something that can move really fast, such as a racecar.
- Enthusiast –Someone who really enjoys doing or watching an activity.
- Inexplicable – When something can't be explained.
- Itinerary – A plan that tells what, when, and where you will do something or go somewhere.