

I Have Heard of a Land by Joyce Carol Thomas (Lesson Plan by Heather England)

PASS Objectives:

Language Arts: I.7.1.a Identify the purpose of various reference materials such as dictionary.

I.7.1.b Alphabetize to the second letter

I.7.1.c Use guide words to locate words in dictionaries and topics in encyclopedias

As a group read the story. Use highlighter tape to pick at least one word from each page that they do not know or recognize. Once this is done write them on index cards. Have the students use dictionaries to define words, locate guide words for each word and alphabetize the words. These could be set up as center stations with each section being a new center. You could set it up as a game also with teams working against each other to complete the tasks and be the winner.