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Rationale:

This resource is designed for you to use during a small group or partner setting. The comprehension skills are set up in 'I Can' statements. Each comprehension skill focuses on 5 key 'I Can' activities, with 2 special bonus "I Can" activities.

Each of the 5 key 'I Can' activities match the mini units for mastery in my store, at www.miniunitsformastery.com

These literacy center comprehension activities are PERFECT for using in small groups or partner settings to reinforce the comprehension lessons from your whole group instruction.

The best part?? Students can use these over and over with any text they are reading, since the focus is on comprehension skills that can be applied to any text!

These also work great to support comprehension during guided reading, literacy centers, literature circles, partner reading, and so much more!

Included in this Resource:

1. 5 key 'I Can' comprehension activities with student-friendly directions for easy use.
2. 3 bonus 'I Can' comprehension activities to challenge your readers!
3. A full page version of a general template for students to respond to each of the activities.
4. A student-friendly checklist to track completing each 'I Can' activity.
5. A teacher-friendly page for tracking students' progress with the 'I Can' activities.
6. Printable labels and simple directions for setting up the comprehension 'I Can' activities.

Thank you so much to these amazing artists, whose work is found in this resource!!

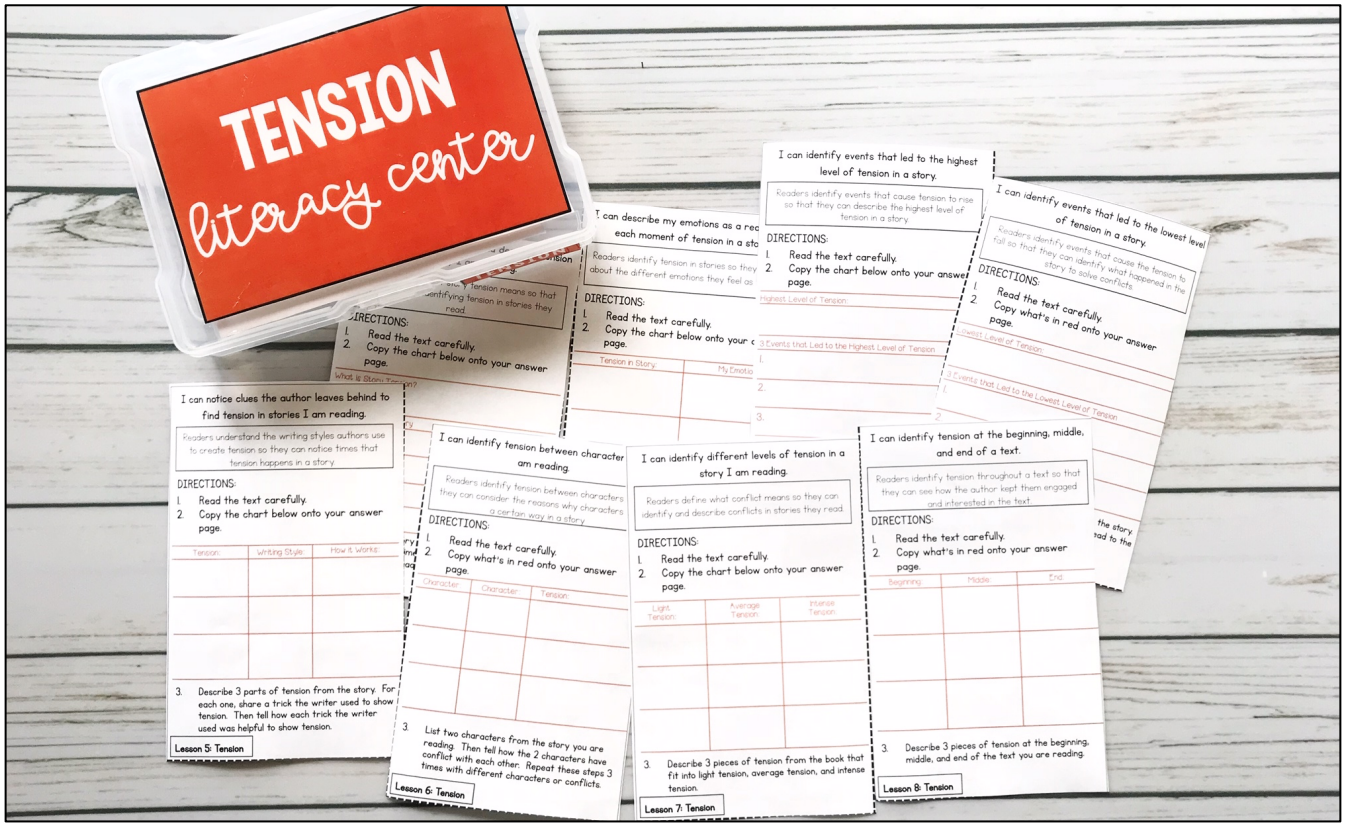
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SET UP THE CENTERS:

Step 1: print on cardstock

Step 2: Laminate

Step 3: hot glue to boxes



I can define story tension and describe tension in a story I am reading.

Readers define what story tension means so that they can begin identifying tension in stories they read.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Read the text carefully.
2. Copy the chart below onto your answer page.

What is Story Tension?

Tension from the Story
1.
2.
3.
4.

3. Define what story tension means. Then explain four different times there was tension in the story you are reading.

Lesson 1: Tension

I can describe my emotions as a reader for each moment of tension in a story.

Readers identify tension in stories so they can think about the different emotions they feel as they read.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Read the text carefully.
2. Copy the chart below onto your answer page.

Tension in Story	My Emotions:

3. Define different pieces of tension from the story. For each one, tell the emotions you feel.

Lesson 2: Tension

Sample

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Student Answer Page

Use this page to complete your literacy center activity

Name: _____ Date: _____

Title: _____ Author: _____

Comprehension Skill: _____ Lesson Number: _____

Use this space to complete step 2 from your literacy center activity card.

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Tracking my Work

Use this page to keep track of all the centers you have completed

My Name: _____

Comprehension Skill:	Lesson Number	Date completed	Text I Read

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Tracking Student Work

Use this page to keep track of all the centers students have completed

Student	Date	Comprehension Skill	Lesson # Completed	Skill Mastered?

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