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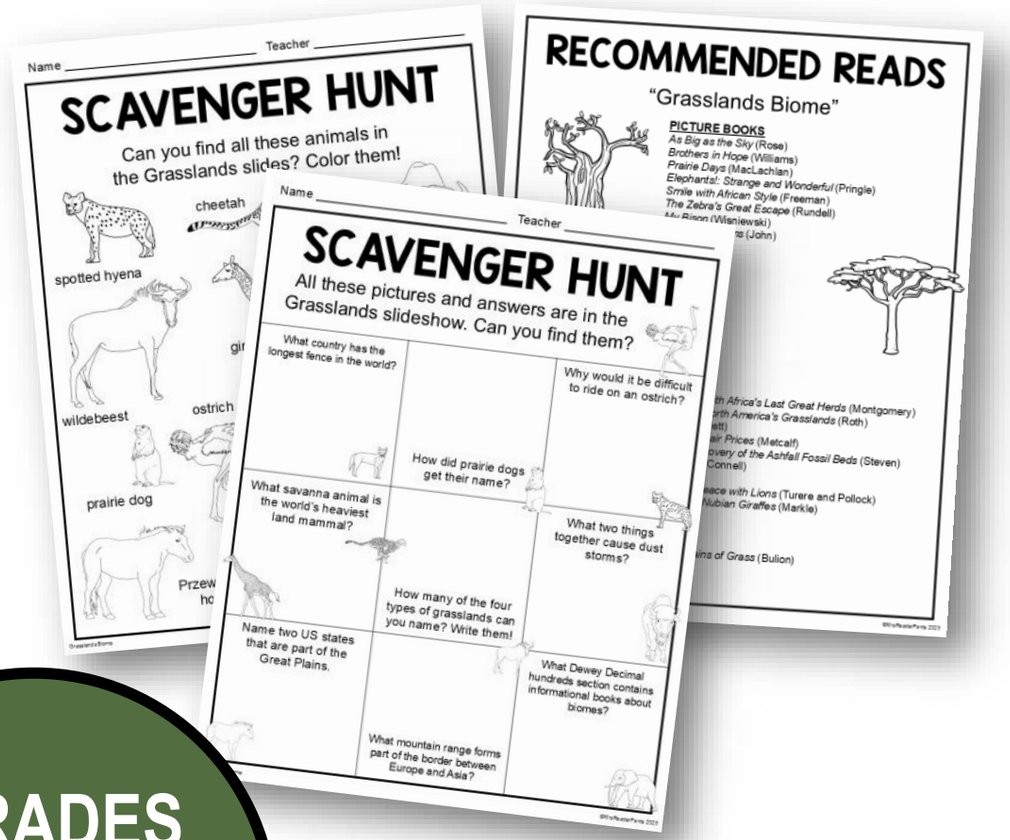
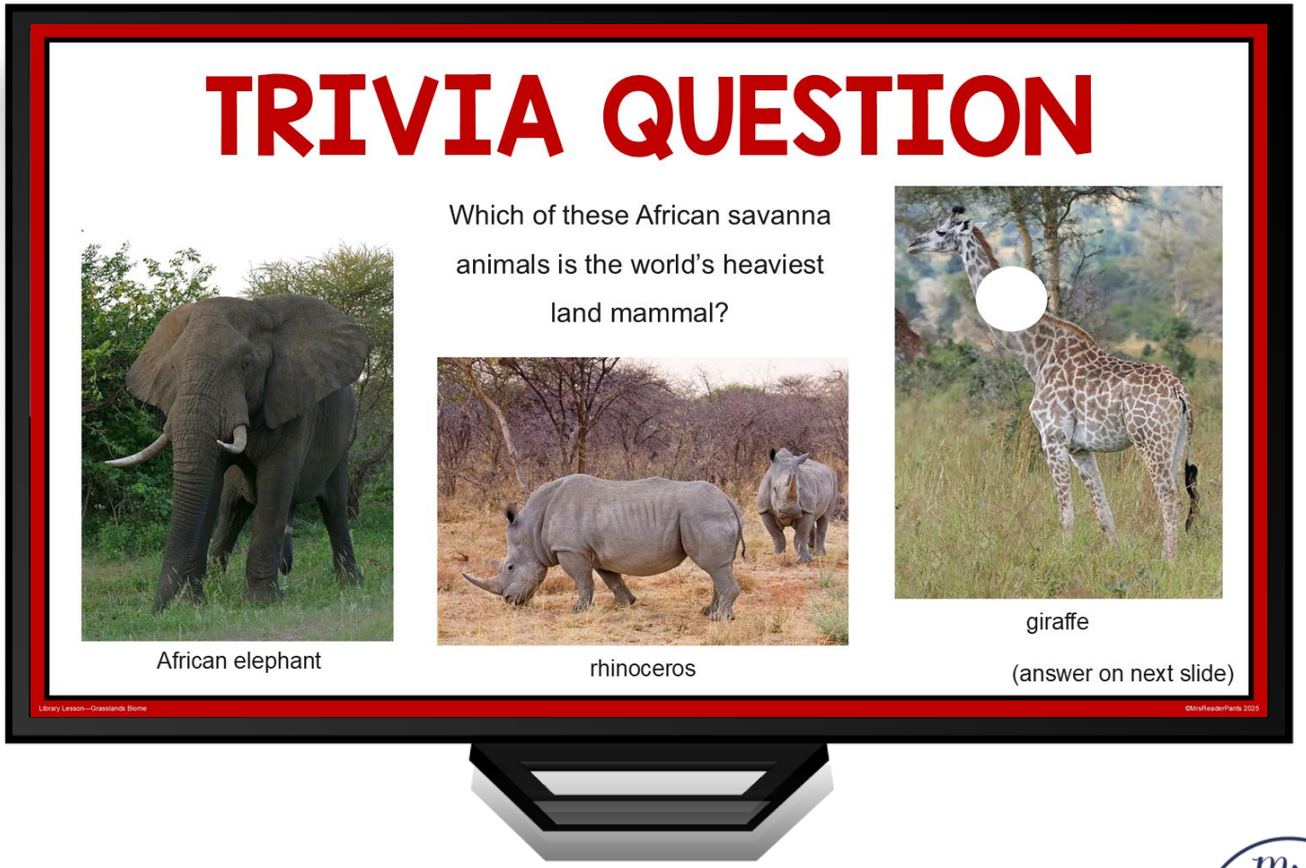
GRASSLANDS BIOME





GRADES 3-6

For libraries and classrooms

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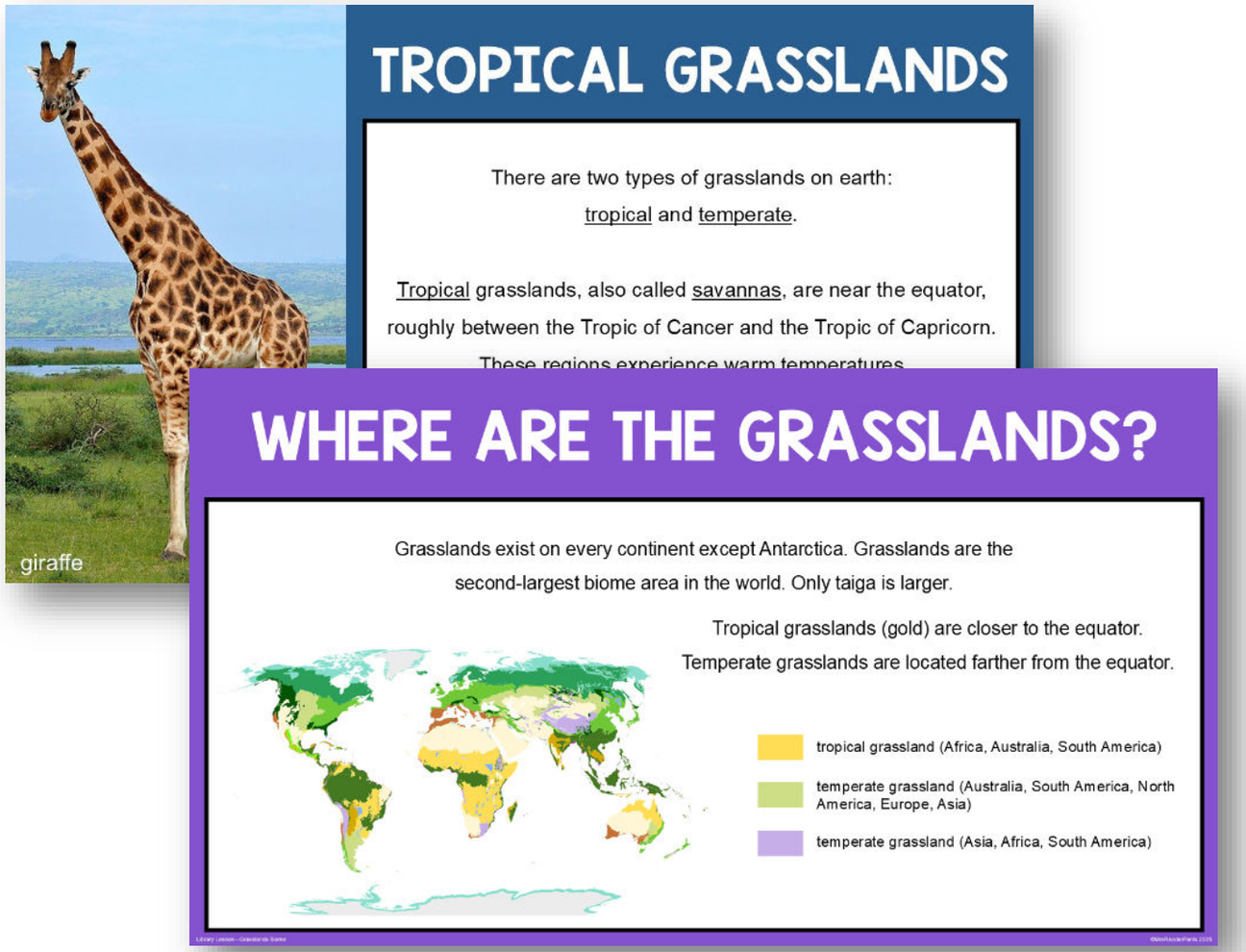
TWO-PART LESSON



This lesson is designed for school librarians, but it also works well as a classroom lesson on grasslands.

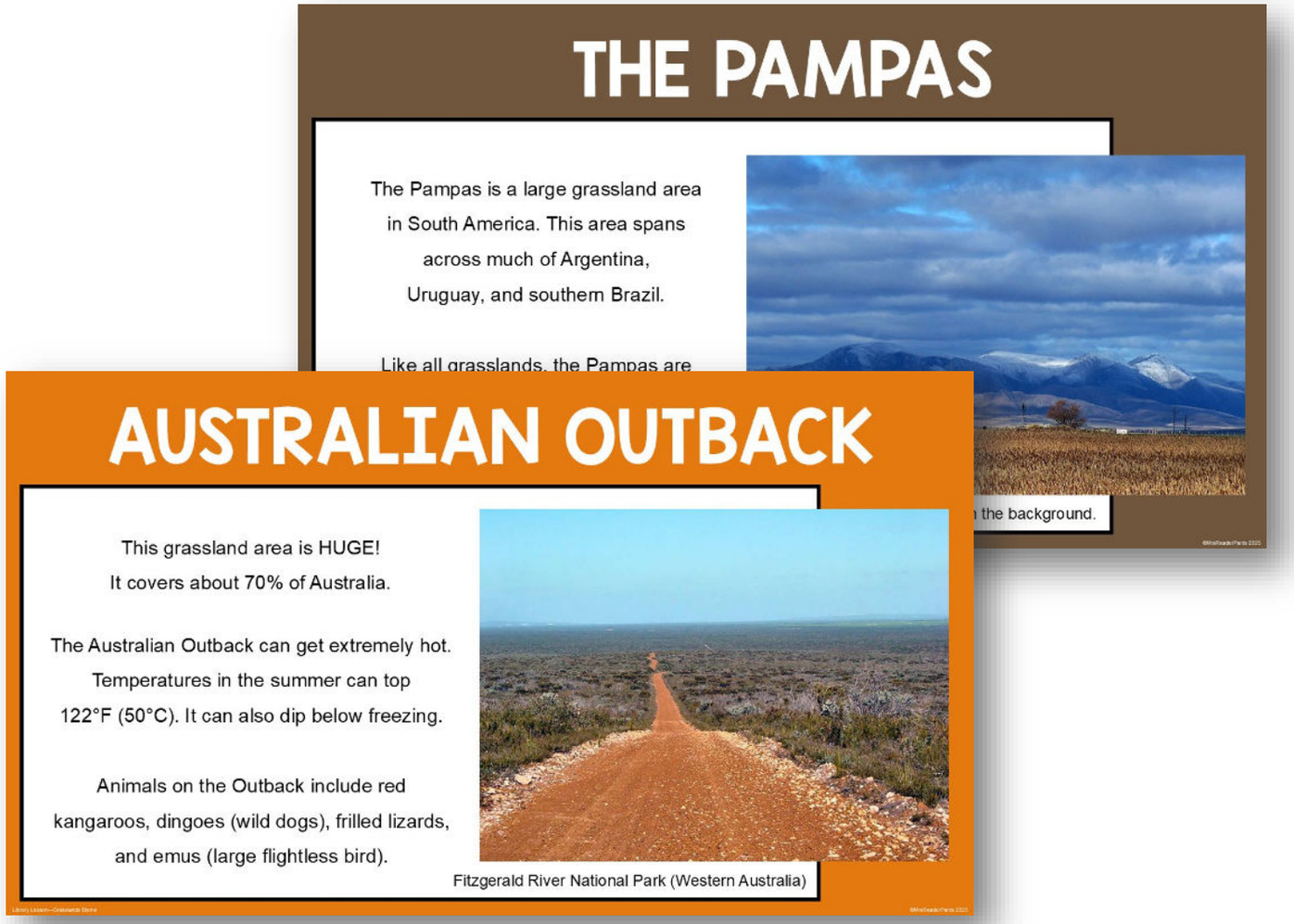
Each part takes about 25 minutes and can easily be reduced or split into two lessons.

ON THE SPECIALS ROTATION?

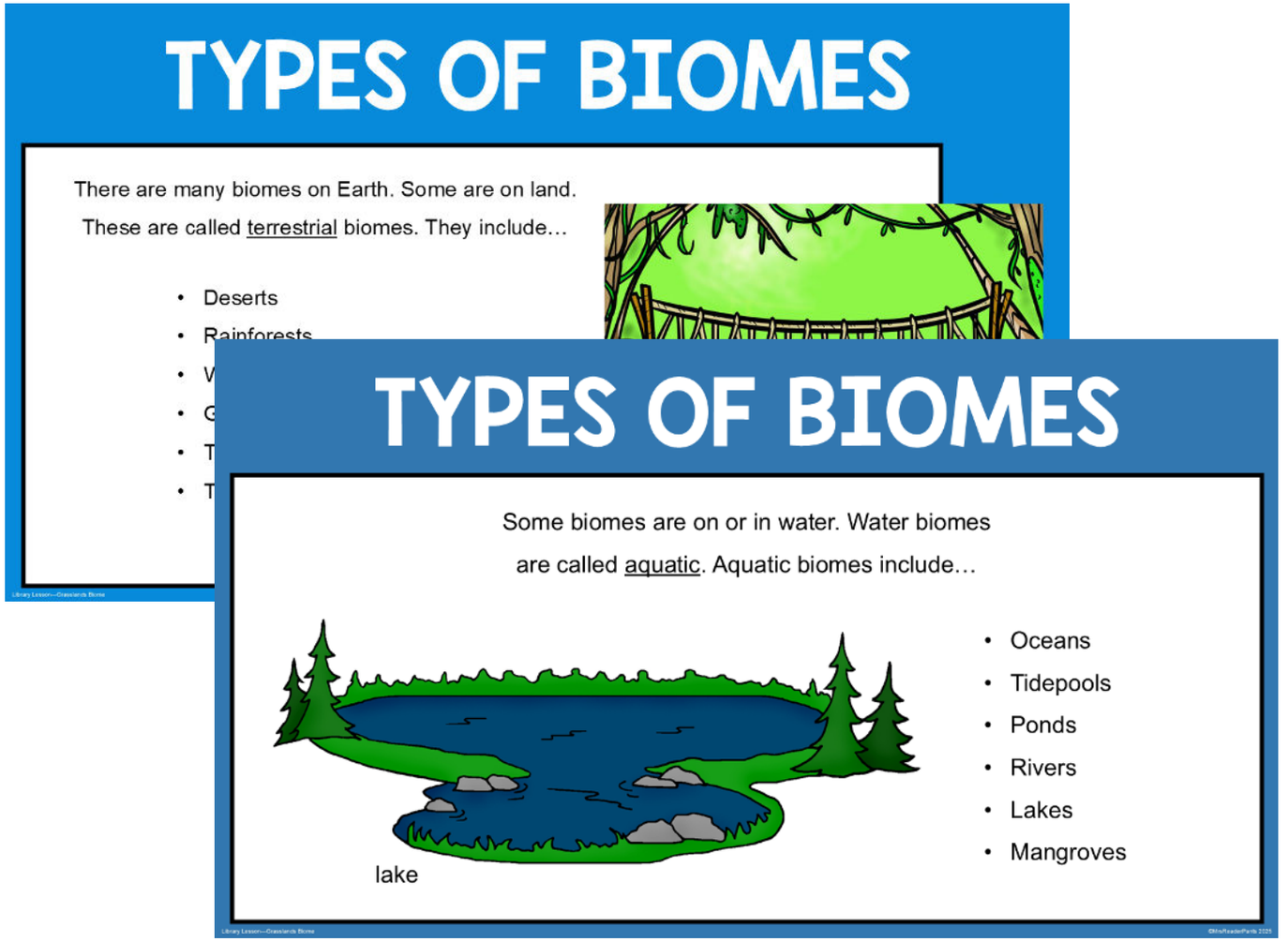
Teaching the same lesson, the same way, 20 times each week?

There is a ton of content here, so you don't need to use every slide with every grade level.

No more teaching the exact same lesson all week!



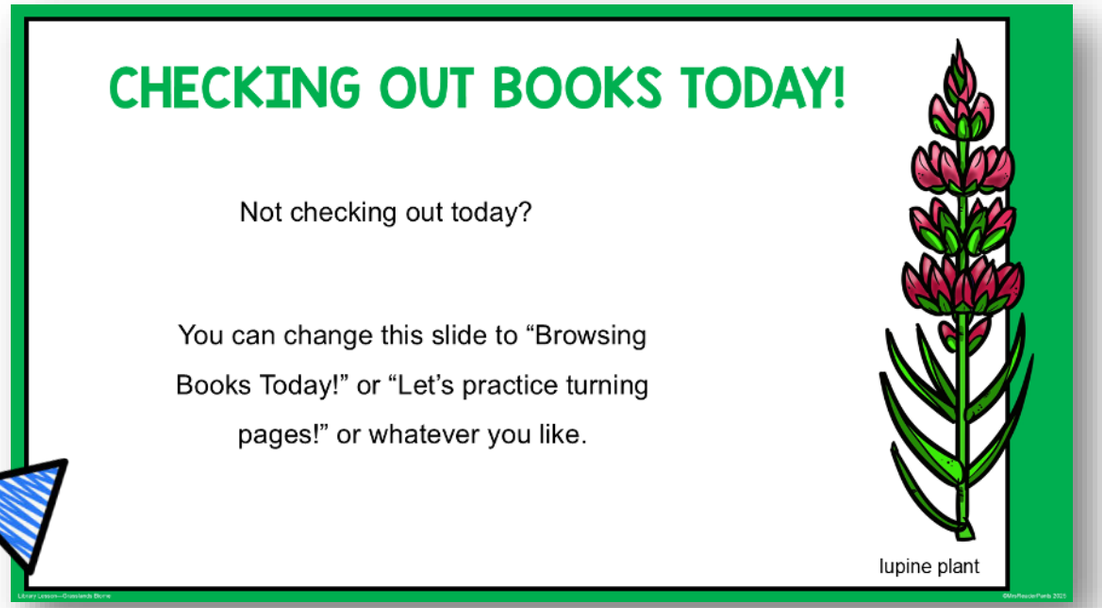
PART I – WHOLE CLASS LESSON



Part I includes guided discussion of:

- Biomes – what are they?
- Terrestrial and aquatic biomes
- intro to the grasslands biome
- tropical vs. temperate grasslands
- grassland characteristics

GUIDES YOUR LIBRARY TIME



A great template for directions for students



This slide is fully-editable, including the artwork.

The presentation guides library time from start to finish! Includes recommended online video links, reminder slides, and a “What Should We Do Now?” slide. All editable!

PART II - SCROLLING SLIDES





Part II includes additional facts about grasslands, types of grasslands, plants and animals, idioms, would you rathers, trivia questions, vocabulary words, and more!

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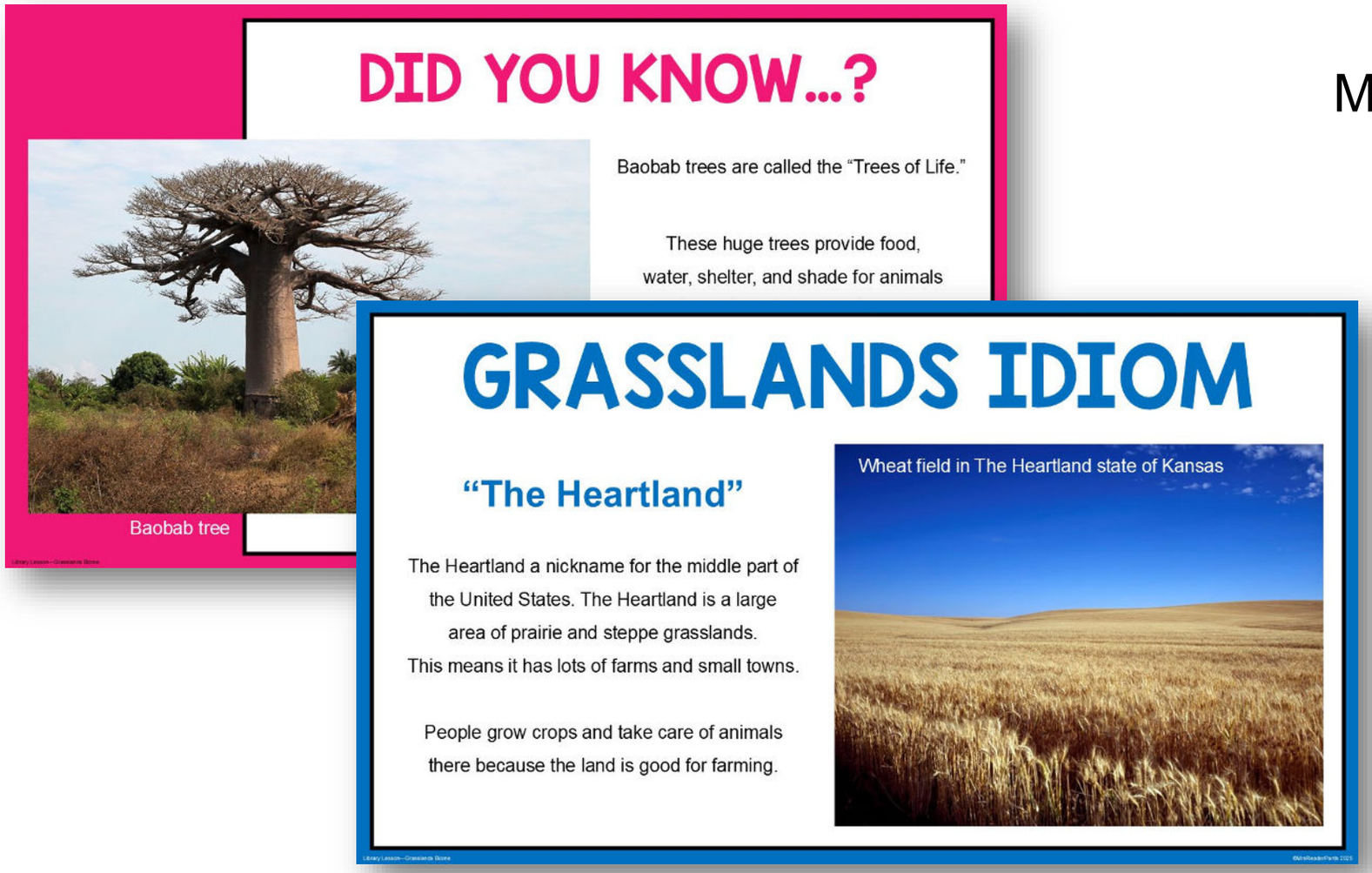

More examples of Part II – Scrolling Slides

DON'T HAVE POWERPOINT?



I've also included a Google Slides version!

ALL TEXT IS EDITABLE

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FOUR GRASSLAND REGIONS

There are four major grassland areas in the world, and all are unique and diverse. They are…

- Steppe
- Prairie
- Savanna
- Pampas

Let's look at each one…



A herd of bison rests in Elk Island Park, Alberta

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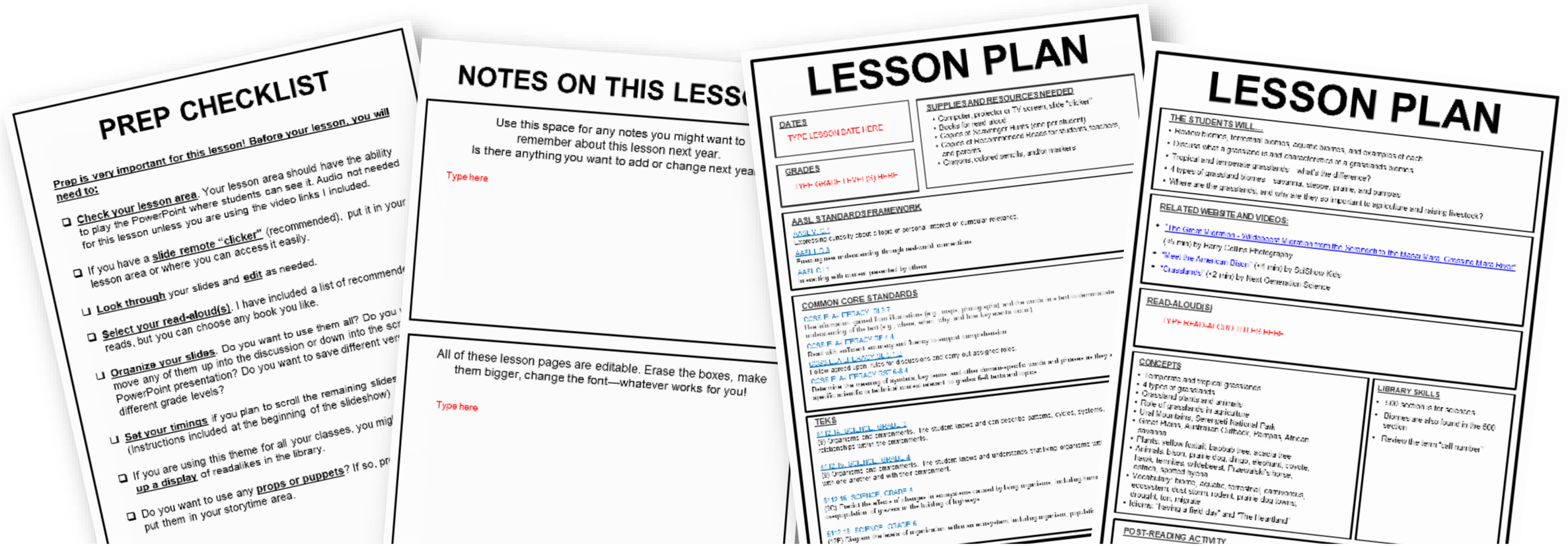
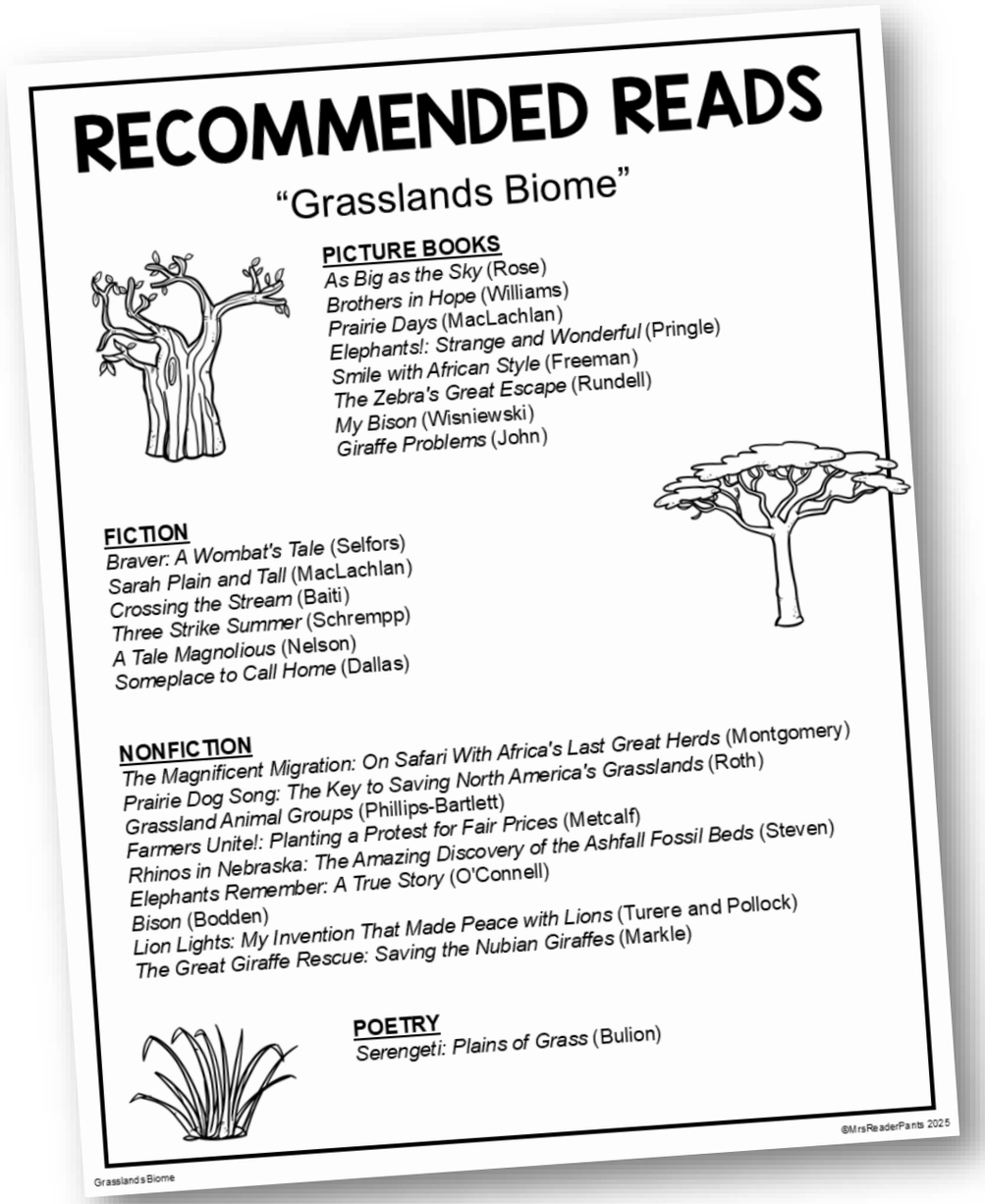
DETAILED LESSON PLAN



Includes a 100% editable lesson plan template, aligned to AASL, CCSS, and TEKS standards. Prep checklist and personal notes page are also included.



RECOMMENDED READS

"Grasslands Biome"

PICTURE BOOKS

As Big as the Sky (Rose)
Brothers in Hope (Williams)
Prairie Days (MacLachlan)
Elephants!: Strange and Wonderful (Pringle)
Smile with African Style (Freeman)
The Zebra's Great Escape (Rundell)
My Bison (Wisniewski)
Giraffe Problems (John)

FICTION

Braver: A Wombat's Tale (Selfors)
Sarah Plain and Tall (MacLachlan)
Crossing the Stream (Baiti)
Three Strike Summer (Schrempp)
A Tale Magnolious (Nelson)
Someplace to Call Home (Dallas)

NONFICTION

The Magnificent Migration: On Safari With Africa's Last Great Herds (Montgomery)
Prairie Dog Song: The Key to Saving North America's Grasslands (Roth)
Grassland Animal Groups (Phillips-Bartlett)
Farmers Unite!: Planting a Protest for Fair Prices (Metcalf)
Rhinos in Nebraska: The Amazing Discovery of the Ashfall Fossil Beds (Steven)
Elephants Remember: A True Story (O'Connell)
Bison (Bodden)
Lion Lights: My Invention That Made Peace with Lions (Turere and Pollock)
The Great Giraffe Rescue: Saving the Nubian Giraffes (Markle)

POETRY

Serengeti: Plains of Grass (Bulion)

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GRASSLANDS FICTION AND NONFICTION

Includes separate page (editable) that lists 24 grasslands-themed book recommendations for Grades 3-6.

Print and give out to students, parents, and teachers.

PART II - SCAVENGER HUNTS

Students can work independently on the scavenger hunt activities while Part II scrolls on a screen.

All images and answers to the questions appear in Part II of the presentation.

Two differentiated versions!



MORE LESSONS LIKE THIS

Looking for more Library or Classroom Lessons? I've got over 100 lessons just like this one for topics including: Greek mythology, tall tales, STEM topics, English grammar, World Geography, and seasonal topics like Halloween, Hispanic Heritage Month, Lunar New Year, and much, much more!

