# HOW SWEET THE SOUND

## PICTURE BOOK LESSON

GRADES 2-5

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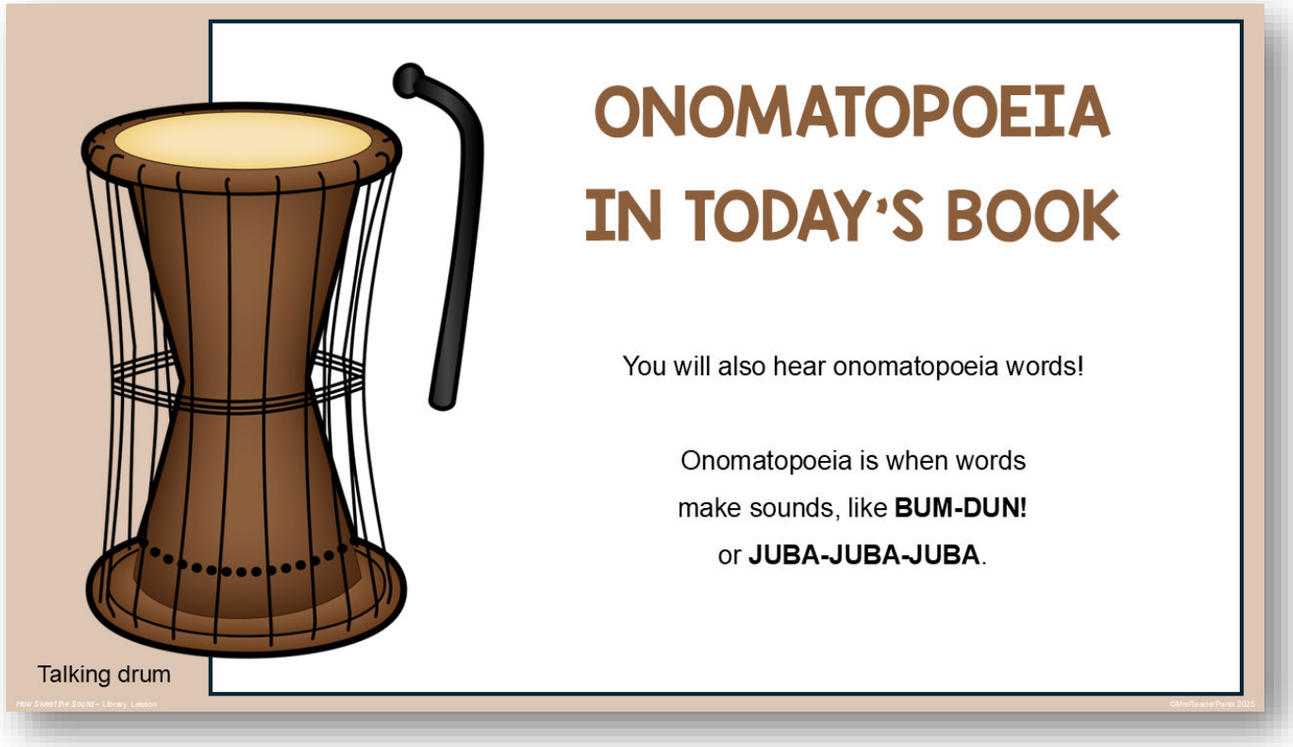
# ABOUT THIS PICTURE BOOK LESSON

This Picture Book Lesson takes about 25-30 minutes to teach.

It is a mini version of my longer Library Lessons, which are designed for 50-minute library class times.



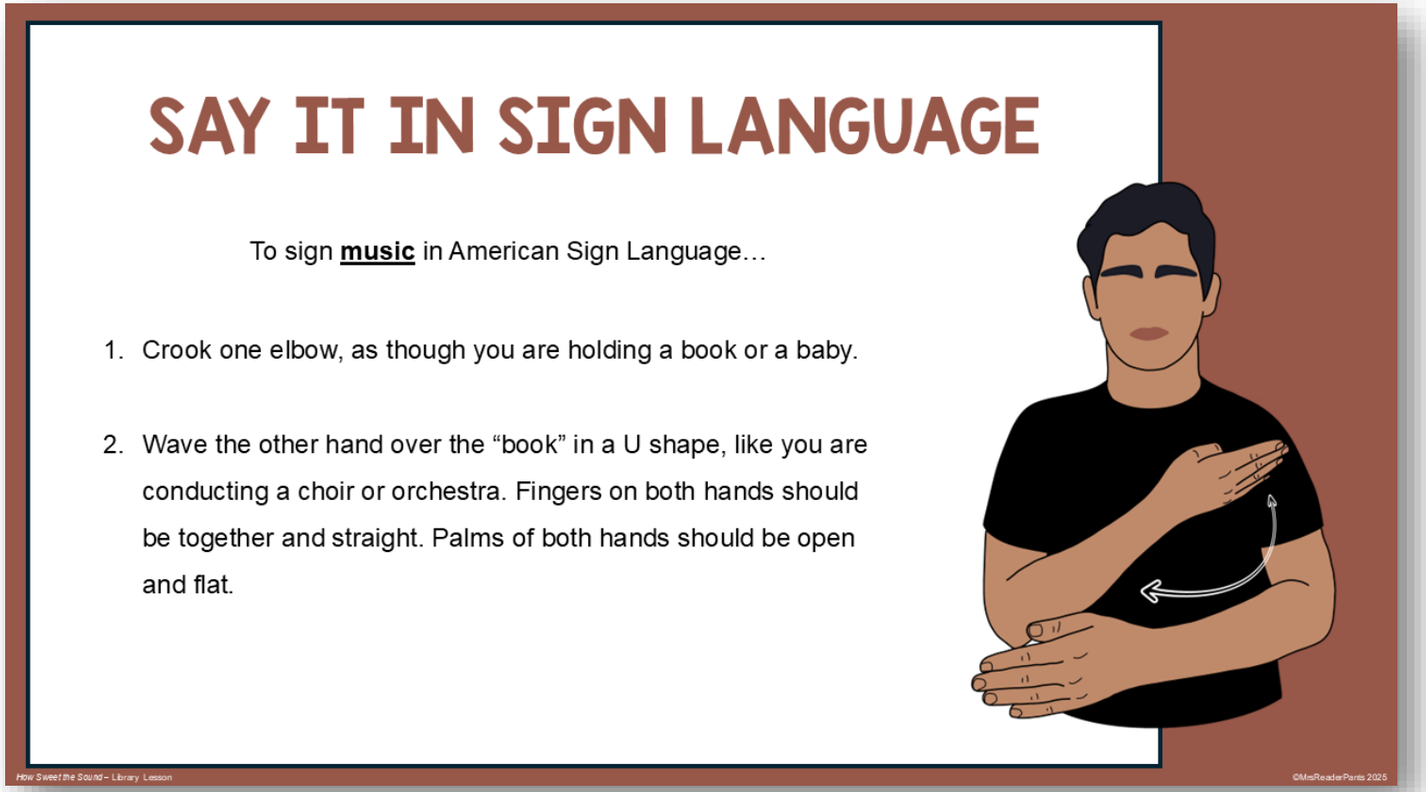

It includes all the same printables as my other Library Lessons:

Recommended Reads, two differentiated Scavenger Hunts, and answer key.

# EDITABLE IN THREE FORMATS

**Presentation** is editable in PowerPoint and Google Slides.

**Printables** are editable in PowerPoint, Google Slides, and PDF formats.



# PART I - WHOLE-GROUP LESSON

These slides introduce a read-aloud (*How Sweet the Sound* by Kwame Alexander) with a short whole-group discussion about onomatopoeia.

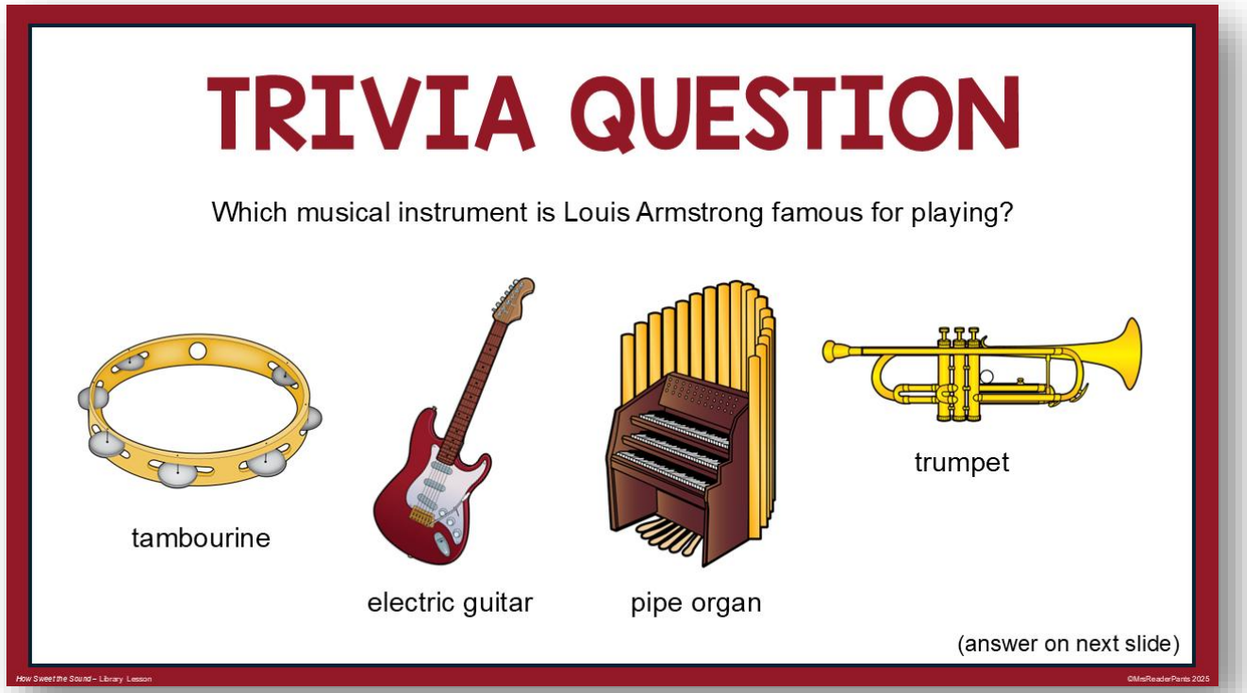
# PART II - SCROLLING SLIDES

The slides in Part II need to be set on a timer (instructions with visuals included).

The scrolling slides include fun facts about African American music history, Would-You-Rathers, and trivia questions.

Students watch the slideshow to find the images and information included in the differentiated Scavenger Hunt activities.

# EASY-TO-READ FONTS




All my resources are designed to **maximize readability** and accessibility for all students.

Only two fonts are used in all parts of this resource: **Arial** (body text, recommended by the British Dyslexia Association) and **KG Blank Space Solid** (headers).

There is no cursive, no fancy fonts, and no random capitalizations.

Lines of text are spaced at 1.5 throughout the slide presentation.

# IS THERE ANY AI?

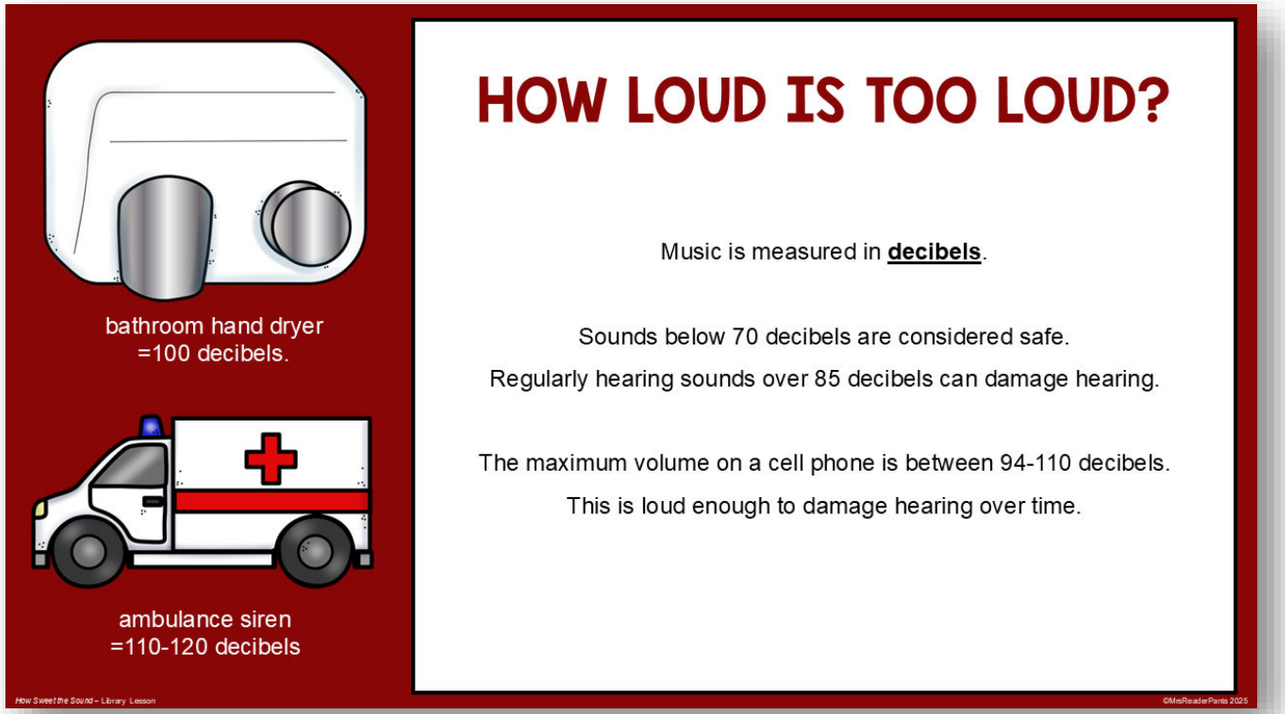
**IMAGES**

This presentation has

**ZERO** AI-generated images!

To support human artists, all clipart was purchased from human artists, some of whom are also classroom teachers, on TPT.

All photos are public domain photos.




**TEXT**: All text is original (**not AI-generated**), thoroughly-researched, and written by a certified Texas teacher-librarian with an MLS Degree.

# PRINTABLE ACTIVITIES

Name _____ Teacher _____

## SCAVENGER HUNT

How many of these pictures and facts can you find in the presentation?

| What is the song "What a Wonderful World" about? | Where is the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame? | Sounds under decibels are safe for human |
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| This type of singing uses nonsense words made up on the spot. | False – In most cases, hearing loss | This type of mu includes words of ret messa |
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Name ANSWER KEY Teacher _____

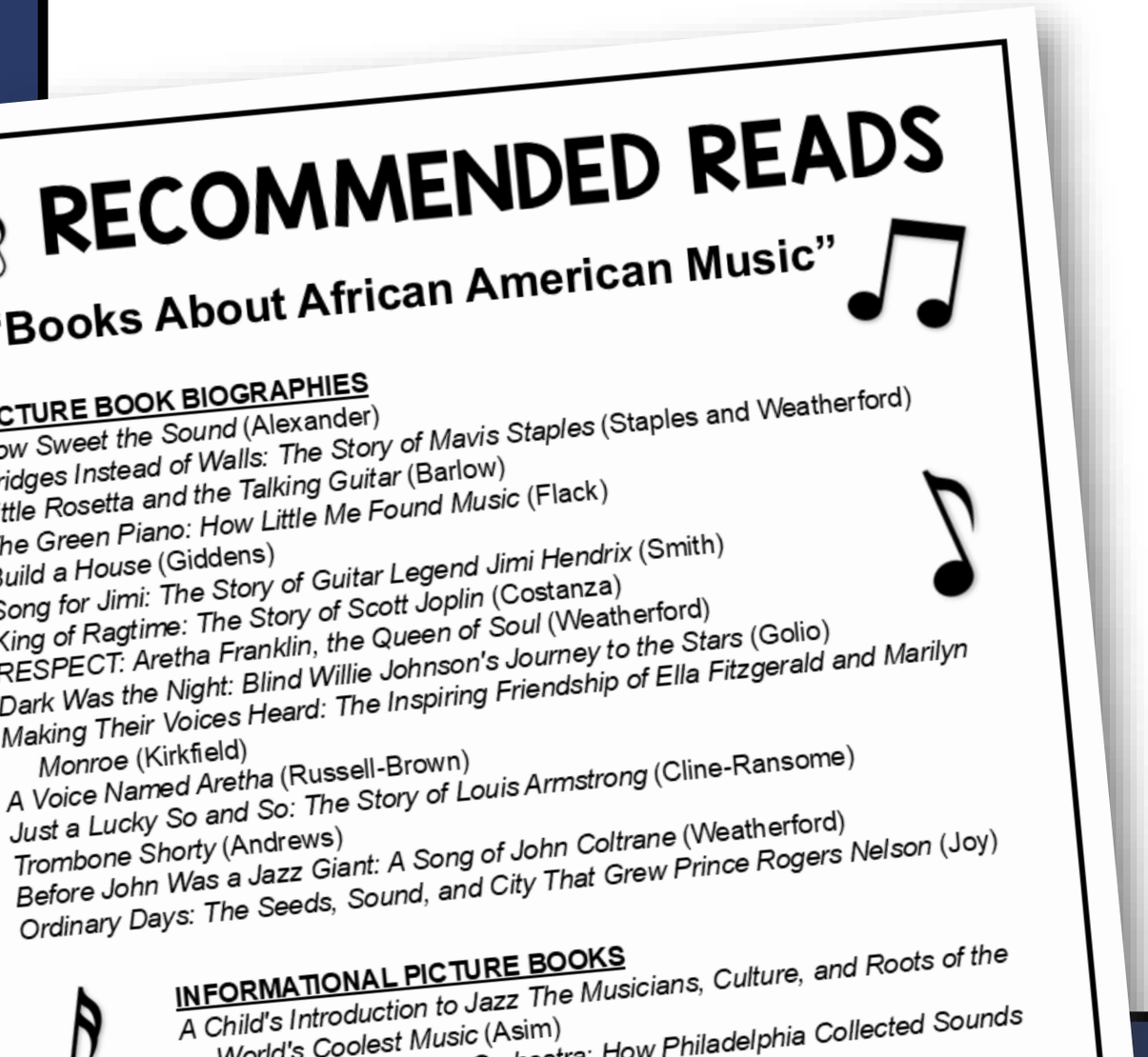
## SCAVENGER HUNT

ANSWER KEY

Keep early-finishers engaged during checkout! All images and answers to the scavenger hunt questions appear in Part II of the presentation. Two differentiated versions of each!

True or false:
If your hearing is lost,

# RECOMMENDED READS

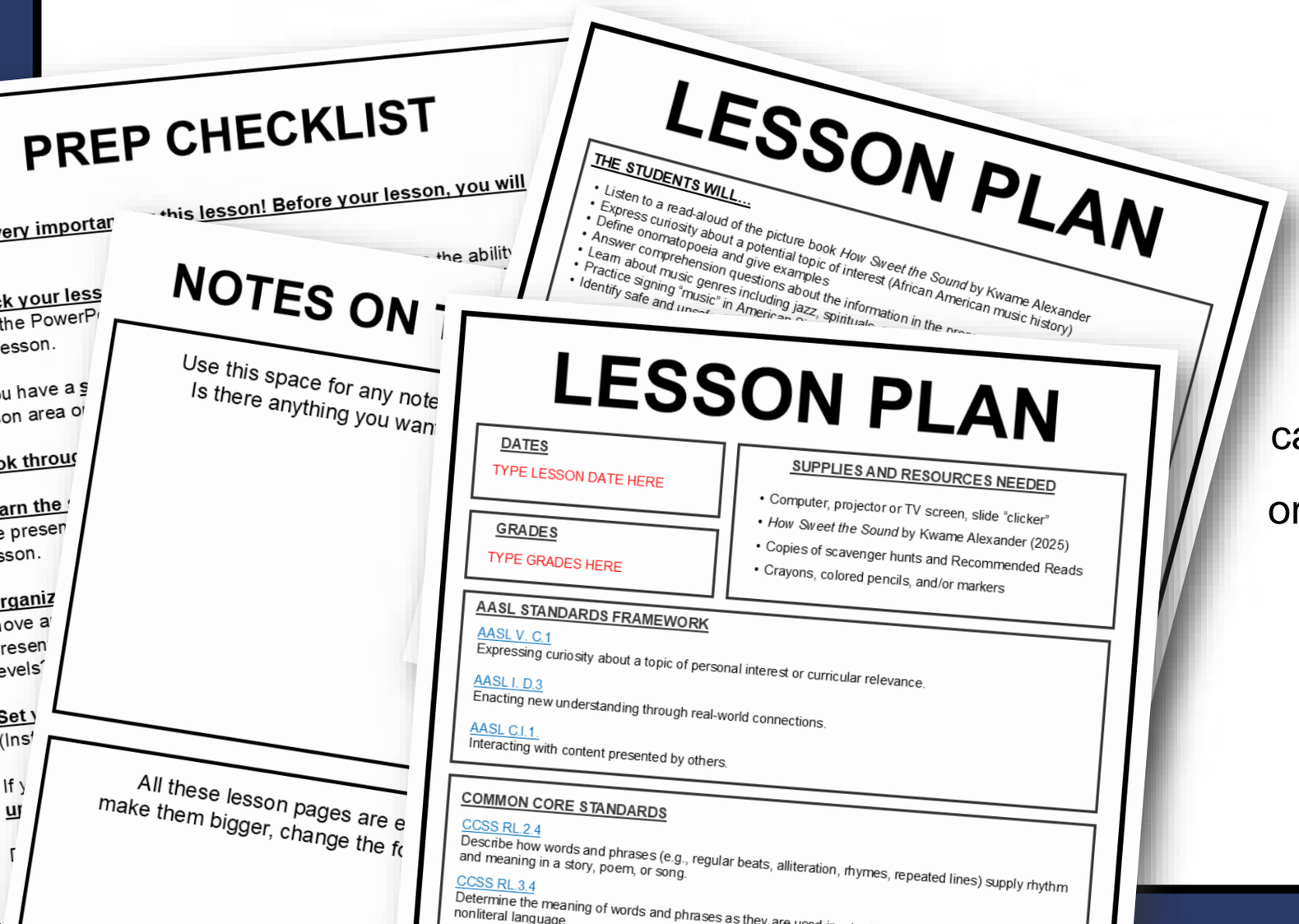



This is an editable list of 31 recommended picture books for older readers about African American musicians.

I am a Texas-certified, experienced school librarian and ELA teacher. I hand-selected every book on this list. Every title on this list is well-reviewed for Grades 2-5 and includes positive professional reviews in Titlewave.

Use it for your own reference, add it to book displays, or send it to teachers or home to parents!

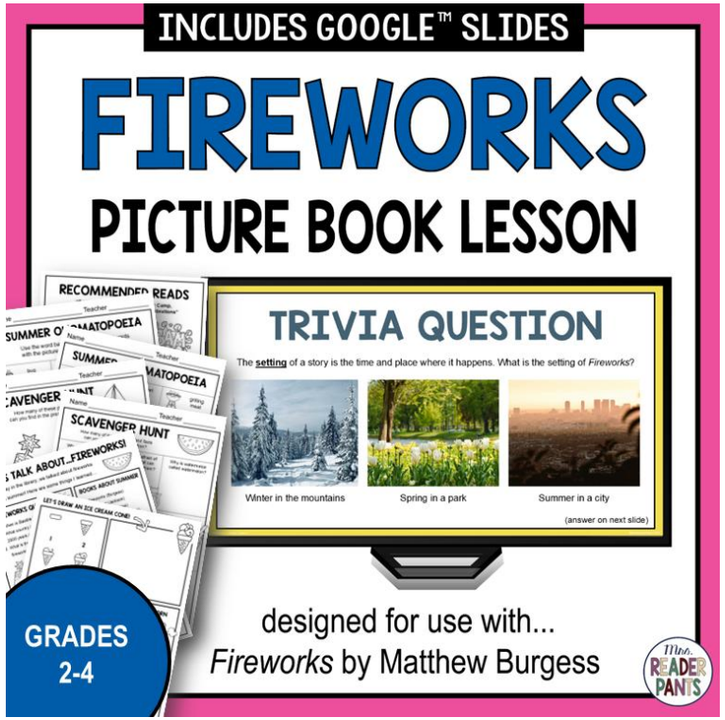
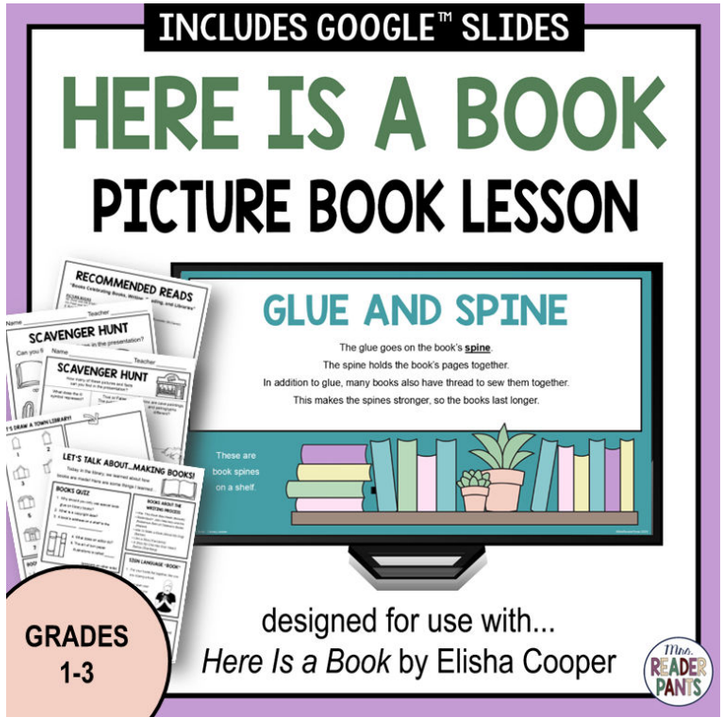
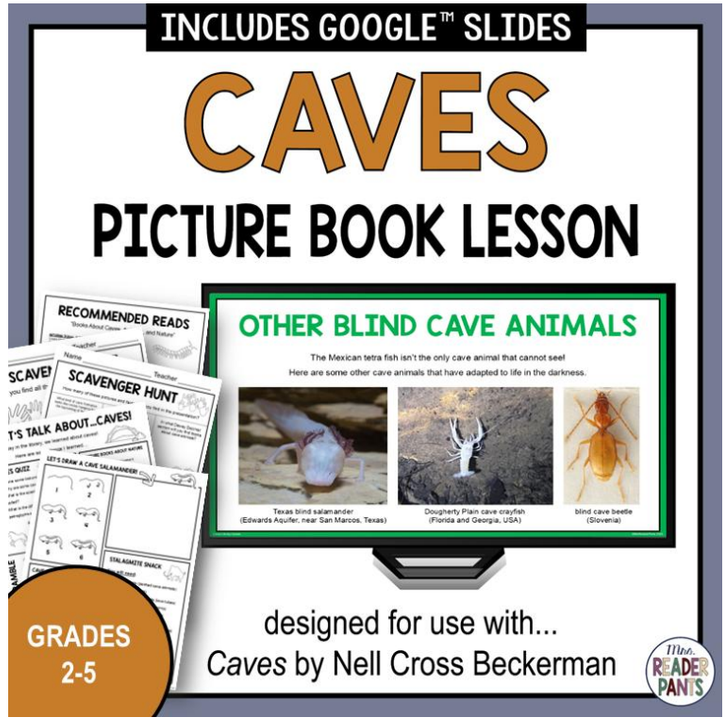
# EDITABLE LESSON PLAN




Includes pre-filled lesson plan with AASL, CCSS, and TEKS standards for Grades 2-5.

The Notes page is a place where you can make notes to yourself for next year, or whenever you teach this lesson again.

100% editable to make it as easy and useful as possible!

# MORE PICTURE BOOK LESSONS

Love this Picture Book Lesson Lesson? I have a lot more! All follow the same format as this one.