The language of literature

LaserLinks videodisc: Side A (30 min.) contains visual support for the selections and a storyteller's interpretation of one of the selections. Side B (30 min.) contains the writing springboards and the unit introductions. Use with teacher's sourcebook.

The Gift of the Magi

The Gift of the Magi is a treasured short story written by O. Henry. A young and very much in love couple can barely afford their one-room apartment, let alone the extra expense of getting Christmas presents for one another. But each is determined to show their love for the other in this traditional time of giving; each sells a thing they hold most dear in order to afford a present, with poignant and touching results that capture their love for one another.

Five Hundred and One Critical Reading Questions

The critical reading section on standardized tests, especially the SAT 1 exam, is often cited as a trouble section for even the best test-takers. Examinees get test-targeted reading comprehension practice questions to score better with LearningExpress' series, Skill Builder in Focus. This specialized drill book provides the focused practice necessary for test-taking success. Plus, all answers are explained, using terms that clarify context, main ideas, themes, and critical thinking skills for effective studying and positive reinforcement. Almost every standardized test in verbal skills, including civil service exams, contains reading comprehension questions. Each practice consists of several passages followed by questions and answer explanations.

Merriam-Webster's Vocabulary Builder

The ideal book for people who want to increase their word power. Thorough coverage of 1,200 words and 240 roots while introducing 2,300 words. The Vocabulary Builder is organized by Greek and Latin roots for effective study with nearly 250 new words and roots. Includes quizzes after each root discussion to test progress. A great study aid for students preparing to take standardized tests.

Two Friends

A French watchmaker and Draper, who both love to fish, brave fighting in the countryside to visit their favorite spot, but are captured by the Germans.

A Christmas Memory
A reminiscence of a Christmas shared by a seven-year-old boy and a sixtyish childlike woman, with enormous love and friendship between them.

**The Monkey's Paw - A Story in Three Scenes**

A mummified monkey's paw carrying a spell receives three wishes from a family and proceeds to fulfill them in unexpected and horrible ways.

**The Play of Daniel Keyes' Flowers for Algernon**

The Heinemann Plays series offers contemporary drama and classic plays in durable classroom editions. Many have large casts and an equal mix of boy and girl parts. This play is a dramatization of Daniel Keyes's story about a retarded adult who desperately wants to be able to read and write.

**Eighth Grade Reading Comprehension Success**

Quick, critical reading is an essential skill needed in the classroom and is critical to succeed on all standardized tests. Be it literature, essays, or articles, this new addition to the Express Review Guides series covers all of these aspects of reading comprehension. It's also filled with tips on how to develop reading strategies, how to read better, understand more, and do it all faster. Includes pre and posttests to show progress and comprehension.

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This comprehensive guide will prepare candidates for the test in all 50 states. It includes four complete practice exams, a real estate refresher course and complete math review, as well as a real estate terms glossary with over 900 terms, and expert test-prep tips.