Reading
Week 1 Day 1
Review the new vocabulary words for the book *The Outburst*.
Read the entire story of the *The Outburst*.

Week 1 Day 2
Review *The Outburst*.
Answer the first two questions on the discussion card. These answers should be in paragraph form using evidence from the text.
Complete Vocab. Cloze Sentences

Week 1 Day 3
Review *The Outburst*.
Answer the second set of two questions on the discussion card. These answers should be in paragraph form using evidence from the text.
Complete Vocab. Analogies

Week 1 Day 4
Review *The Outburst*.
Answer the last set of two questions on the discussion card. These answers should be in paragraph form using evidence from the text.
Complete Vocab Concept Completion

Week 1 Day 5
Take the open book test over *The Outburst*. Please make sure you locate the answers in the story. Write the page number and paragraph next to answers where applicable.
The Outburst

Written by Alice Sweeney
Illustrated by Linda Freese

Connections

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Words, write a letter to a friend describing

Samantha is a passionate writer who loves

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Include and why?

is new to your school. What would you

Create a welcome kit for a student who
Throughout the story?
How does Samantha's character change?

Focus Question

Illustrated by Linda Pierce
Written by Alyse Sweeney

Wisdom
Initiatives
Reinforcements
Qualities
Problem
Passionate
Outlook

Words to Know
and favorite words for me.

bathroom mirror—famous quotes for Grandma
that led us to the habit of fusing words to our
all-passionate writers, we share a love of words
destroy—while I prefer to write poetry. Like
staring her off in the distance—In the lead
Grandma writes a famous mystery series

passionate writers.

about the environment, serious chess players, and
in a pod. We are crazy about karaoke, concerned
it’s no wonder we are so close, like two peas.

Grandma and I are similar in so many ways,


emplacement in Pennsylvania
a better one! Did he even try to look for new
and was it necessary to leave the state to find
despised this old job, but was it really that terrible,
I knew Dad

Garage—

Kitchen window. "You'll leave marks on the
Please stop hitting, "Mom called from the

as I knew it was over, wreaked, finished, ruined.

million miles from friends and relatives. Like
the news about his fabulous new job about a
the break of school actually. Those when Dad ditched break
I learned of the move last month—on the last day
I learned the move was over, having been over me since
since I never heard from Pennsylvania to
North Carolina. I tried to reach away the cloud
least I had, I changed from Pennsylvania to
which the basketball against the garage door—

Boing... Boing... It felt good to

Stomach was in a knot, and I needed air
an embolden North Carolina. But my
Grandma eagerly directed movers inside our
It was moving day, and Mom, Dad, and

a breathtaking grand castle.

thought I needed everything like a wave crashing

That’s why I never felt as normal as the day I
new friends.

"I know it's difficult, Sammy, but you'll make
will take before they forget all about me.
Kate and Jordan right now? I wonder how long it
Here. Do you realize I should be surviving with
Well, there's nothing marvelous about surviving.

"...native there is something of the marvelous.
nailed on the head when he said, 'In all things of
how green and lush it is, though Aristide hit the
how love is, said Grandma. 'I do love
We'll get used to it,' said Grandma.

"...ball—and this place is like a giant steam room!
...all I look at, I'm a complete ninny.
...have horridly, hideously, and hurtfully

...some, reeling me from sturdy glasses. So now's
house, reeled me to explore the trail behind our
Grandma must have sensed my intention, so
a novel rubbing his head where the ball struck
Boing...Boing...Hey! Watch it!..Boing...Boing...

It is so weekly I could scream!
Hiding Morn, his bliss means my mystery and that
Laughter...Humming, rubbing a minute, and
past month, I had never seen Dad so deliriously
Boing...Boing...Boing...Boing...But throughout the
convey? Don't ever speak to me that way again.
her having to utter the words they intended to
both concurred andSheri spoke volumes without
in the eye, and when I did, her eyes, appearing
several long moments, I deeply looked on Grandma
The ugly words hung in the steamy air for

"Quotes aren't helping."
"Calmer! Shut up!" I yelled. "Your stupid

That's when I exploded like a firecracker

"Keep in the sunlight."
trouble or worry about what may never happen.
Benjamin Franklin said. Do not anticipate

vision, and my heart pounded like hell on a nook.
up their relationships. Angry tears blurred my

Everyone here already has their friends. They

"How?" I screamed as my blood boiled.
Proposed:

Going well, call your grandmother. An Irishman.

P.S. Best friends. By C.W. Curtis. And it nothing is
like that. That really is a little bit teacher and a little bit
friend, author unknown. A grandmother is a
friend. Grandmas are worms with jobs of
school. Grandma's are worms with lots of

Before she looked at my handmade card,

shocked. And father

colleaguesUsing different-colored paper, paint,

meaning Grandmothers, and then I made a

computer and a search engine to find clues.

What does the matter with me? Grandma's

unusually Grandmas. So her most unrememberable
gallant—They make her

positive outlook and love of things are two

possible.

I watched her walk down the trail, feeling

"punching bags:"

what will keep your family from becoming human
can write poems about your feelings, and maybe
I firmly wrote in my journal. Perhaps you
I was full of rage, and you know how I coped?

Then her mouth opened, "Samantha, she
to be brave.

And I did. She helped me find the strength

up, Semyon!

to be there—this saddling up anyway. So saddle
ear John Wayne said, 'Courage is being scared
carnage-covered then. Then she whispered in my
accepted and then said she loved me more than

She hugged me tightly and told me, 'Apology

Glossary

Wisdom (n.)

Relationships (n.)

Qualities (n.)

Proverb (n.)

Passionate (adj.)

Outlook (n.)

Irritation (n.)

Hosting (n.)

Courage (n.)

Coped (v.)

Anxiety (n.)

Accent (n.)
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anxiety

the state of being worried or nervous, usually in relation to something unknown or upcoming (noun)

cope

to successfully handle or overcome a difficulty or problem (verb)

courage

strength in the face of difficulty, danger, fear, or pain (noun)
Reading Week 1

**irritation**
the state of being annoyed, angry, or impatient; the condition of having discomfort in a body part
*(noun)*

**relationship**
the way in which two or more living things or groups interact or deal with each other
*(noun)*

**wisdom**
great knowledge and sense
*(noun)*
INSTRUCTIONS: Use the vocabulary words in the word box above to complete the sentences below.

1. I had a lot of __________________________ about my visit to the dentist; I just couldn't stop worrying.

2. The runners had to __________________________ with their exhaustion to finish the race.

3. My best friend and I have a great __________________________ with one another.

4. Sometimes it takes __________________________ to do something you've never done before.

5. The judge spoke with great __________________________ about the law.

6. As the students continued to talk to each other during class, the teacher's __________________________ grew.
An analogy shows a relationship between two sets of words. The words in the first pair must have the same relationship as the words in the second pair. To complete an analogy with a missing word, you must first discover the relationship between the completed pair. (Example: Cat is to meow as dog is to bark.)

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Determine the relationship between the first pair of words. Then use the words in the word box to complete the second pair of words.

1. **Anxiety** is to *peace* ...as... **cowardice** is to ____________________________.

2. **Wisdom** is to *ignorance* ...as... **wealth** is to ____________________________.

3. **Courage** is to *bravery* ...as... **sadness** is to ____________________________.

4. **Relationship** is to *relation* ...as... **apprenticeship** is to ____________________________.

5. **Irritation** is to *irritate* ...as... **creation** is to ____________________________.

6. **Cope** is to *handle* ...as... **attempt** is to ____________________________.
INSTRUCTIONS: Use what you know about the vocabulary words to complete the following sentences.

1. One example of a relationship is _________________________________.

2. Irritation is the state of _________________________________.

3. You might gain wisdom through _________________________________.

4. It takes a lot of courage to _________________________________.

5. We cope with challenges by _________________________________.

6. My anxiety about exams is a source of _________________________________.

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Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. What does the author hope readers can learn from this story?
   A. how to get through challenges
   B. how to write a story about a girl named Sammy
   C. how to write letters to friends
   D. how to make new friends in a new school

2. How are Sammy and her grandma alike?
   A. They both enjoy writing mystery stories.
   B. They both study about famous people.
   C. They both like writing poetry.
   D. They both have a love for words.

3. What did Sammy do with the basketball at the beginning of the story?
   A. She put it in the garbage.
   B. She passed it to her grandma.
   C. She threw it against the garage.
   D. She played a game with her grandpa.

4. Read this sentence from the story: Once again, Grandma showed me her wisdom, and the anger and anxiety were safe inside my journal and almost entirely out of my head. Wisdom is __________.
   A. the feeling of worry or nervousness
   B. great knowledge, sense, or insight
   C. the way in which two or more living things interact
   D. the state of being angry or impatient

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10. Read this sentence from the book: *Angry tears blurred my vision and my heart sounded like hail on the roof.* With this sentence, what idea does the author wish to convey?

A) It was very cold outside.
B) The roof needs to be repaired.
C) Sammy is upset.
D) Sammy needs eyeglasses.

11. **Extended Response:** How does Sammy’s dad feel about the move to North Carolina? Use details from the text to support your answer.

12. **Extended Response:** What does Sammy do to show her Grandma she is sorry?