



Half and Half
Grades: 2, 3
States: Common Core State Standards

Half and Half - The Time of the Pharaohs

Summary: Story: Meri sets out to find her father, who is a worker in the building of a pyramid. Facts: Readers get a glimpse at how people lived long ago in this ancient land. They'll learn about Pharaohs, hieroglyphs, pyramids, mummies, and more. - Available in Paperback and Hardcover (978-1-60115-202-2)

Common Core State Standards

Language Arts

Grade: 2 - Adopted 2010

STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.1	Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.7	Use information gained from the illustrations and words in a print or digital text to demonstrate understanding of its characters, setting, or plot.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.2.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories and poetry, in the grades 2-3 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.1	Ask and answer such questions as who, what, where, when, why, and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text.
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.2	Identify the main topic of a multiparagraph text as well as the focus of specific paragraphs within the text.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Craft and Structure
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 2 topic or subject area.
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.5	Know and use various text features (e.g., captions, bold print, subheadings, glossaries, indexes, electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or information in a text efficiently.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2	Reading Standards for Informational Text

CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.7	Explain how specific images (e.g., a diagram showing how a machine works) contribute to and clarify a text.
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.8	Describe how reasons support specific points the author makes in a text.
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.9	Compare and contrast the most important points presented by two texts on the same topic.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.2.10	By the end of year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, in the grades 2-3 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Fluency
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.4a	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.4c	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.1	Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse partners about grade 2 topics and texts with peers and adults in small and larger groups.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.1c	Ask for clarification and further explanation as needed about the topics and texts under discussion.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.2.2	Recount or describe key ideas or details from a text read aloud or information presented orally or through other media.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 2 reading and content, choosing flexibly from an array of strategies.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.2.4a	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.

Grade: 3 - Adopted 2010

STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.1	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.2	Recount stories, including fables, folktales, and myths from diverse cultures; determine the central message, lesson, or moral and explain how it is conveyed through key details in the text.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3	Reading Standards for Literature

CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Craft and Structure
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.5	Refer to parts of stories, dramas, and poems when writing or speaking about a text, using terms such as chapter, scene, and stanza; describe how each successive part builds on earlier sections.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3.7	Explain how specific aspects of a text's illustrations contribute to what is conveyed by the words in a story (e.g., create mood, emphasize aspects of a character or setting).
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.3	Reading Standards for Literature
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Key Ideas and Details
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.1	Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.2	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Craft and Structure
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.5	Use text features and search tools (e.g., key words, sidebars, hyperlinks) to locate information relevant to a given topic efficiently.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.7	Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.9	Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3	Reading Standards for Informational Text
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.3.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.3	Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Fluency
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.3.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.3.4a	Read on-level text with purpose and understanding.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.3.4c	Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary.

STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.3	Speaking and Listening Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Comprehension and Collaboration
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.SL.3.2	Determine the main ideas and supporting details of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3.4	Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning word and phrases based on grade 3 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3.4a	Use sentence-level context as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3.5	Demonstrate understanding of word relationships and nuances in word meanings.
EXPECTATION	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3.5a	Distinguish the literal and nonliteral meanings of words and phrases in context (e.g., take steps).
STRAND / DOMAIN	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3	Language Standards
CATEGORY / CLUSTER		Vocabulary Acquisition and Use
STANDARD	CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.3.6	Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate conversational, general academic, and domain-specific words and phrases, including those that signal spatial and temporal relationships (e.g., After dinner that night we went looking for them).