

Ready-to-Use  
Lessons  
for Grades 3–5

Promote

**READING**

Gains

**with Differentiated  
Instruction**

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With love to my grandchildren, Lucas and Helena, and to  
my great-grandchildren, Amelia and Liam.

—Laura Robb

To Jennifer Jackson Harrison, more than a master teacher,  
more than a beloved daughter-in-law, one of the bravest  
people I've ever known.

With love forever,  
—David L. Harrison

For all teachers who strive to make teaching reading an art  
as well as a science.

—Tim Rasinski

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