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Author's Purpose

Rainbows • Level J • 1

Entertain me
about stories
about rainbows

Persuade me
to learn more
about rainbows

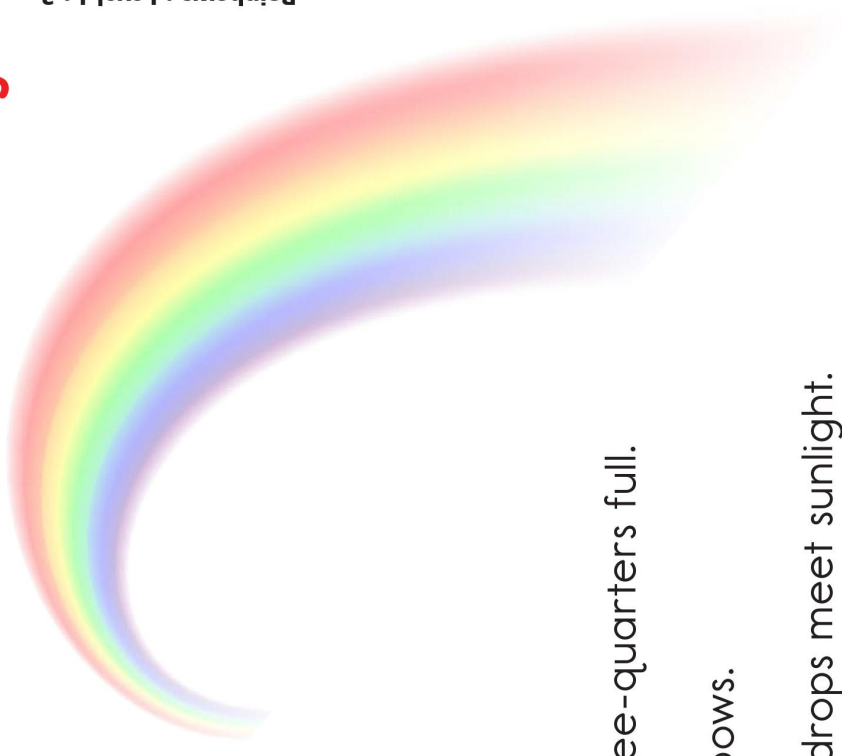
Inform me
about rainbows

- ☐ Rainbows are tricks made by light.
- ☐ Every student should understand how rainbows are made.
- ☐ Once upon a time, a little girl found a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow.
- ☐ Rainbows actually occur in full circles.
- ☐ Elves guard pots of gold at the end of the rainbow.
- ☐ The Hindu god Indra uses a rainbow as a bow to shoot lightning arrows.
- ☐ Sunlight is made of many colors.
- ☐ Rainbows are the most interesting things to learn about in science class.
- ☐ The colors of a rainbow always appear in the same order.

Skill: Author's Purpose

Instructions: Have students circle the box from the top row that identifies the author's purpose. Then, have students check the box next to the sentences that are a detail from the book supporting the author's purpose.

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- ① You may see a rainbow in the sky.
- ② A rainbow shines near storm clouds.
- ③ Science can explain how rainbows happen.
- ④ Look around the next time you see a rainbow.
- ⑤ They can even form under a bright moon.
- ⑥ _____ a clear glass about three-quarters full.
- ⑦ A French scientist _____ rainbows.
- ⑧ Rainbows _____ when water drops meet sunlight.
- ⑨ He _____ that to see a rainbow, you must be in the right spot.
- ⑩ You will _____ more slowly through water because it is thicker than air.

Instructions: Read the first five sentences aloud to students and have them circle the verb in each sentence. Then, read the remaining sentences aloud and have students complete each one with a verb.

Skill: Verbs

Name _____

see

touch

walk

close

bright

right

leave

end

Word	Synonym
shining	
view	
stroll	
exit	
feel	
finish	
correct	
near	



My Sentence:

Instructions: Read the words in the word box and in the word column aloud to students. Then, have them match each word from the box to its synonym in the word column and record it in the space provided. Finally, have students choose one synonym and use it in an original sentence.