



I Live in a Community

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Introduce the Unit and Key Vocabulary

Talk with students about what they will learn from the Unique Learning System Unit. Introduce vocabulary to them using the descriptive teaching method.

Example: This month, we are going to talk about living in a community. A community is a group of people that live, work, and play in the same place. Living in a community means people often celebrate the same things together. We will learn about different celebrations, or special events, that happen in different states. We will also learn about the different symbols of the United States of America. A symbol is an object or thing that stands for, or represents something else.

2

Read Passages While you TAAP

As you read the passages within each unit with students, remember to TAAP: Talk about it, Ask a question, Acknowledge via response, and Propel the conversation or Predict!

(View the TAAP resource on the AAC Language Lab to learn more about the TAAP strategy!)

Sample TAAP words/phrases:

Talk About It	Ask Questions	Acknowledge via Response	Propel the Conversation or Predict
Cool Like Look Not	What can you give? What do you think? What will happen?	Me too Maybe! That is a cool way to celebrate!	I think... I wonder... Let's see More



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Talk About What you Learned

Summarize the unit with students and talk about what they learned. Ask open-ended questions to discuss what everyone thought, and to get them thinking about and reflecting on what they read.

Sample questions for discussion:

What did you learn today? What kinds of things do you do in your community? What do you celebrate with your family and friends? If you could create a state bird or flower, what would it look like?

Discussion for Comprehension

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After reading and summarizing the unit with students, use descriptive testing to further discuss the students' understanding of the unit or passage. Pose questions in a way that allows the student to answer the question using any word on their device.

Sample Descriptive Testing Questions and responses:

Tell me what we learned about community.	What did we learn about symbols?	Tell me what we learned about community celebrations.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Live same place. • Group of people in same place. • Have special events together. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Object stands for something. • Different things for each state. • Country flag is red, white, blue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special event to remember history. • Different in all states. • Happy party with history.