

*Daily Skill Builders: Reading 5–6* is designed to build skills day by day on what students have previously learned. Each reproducible page features two short reading activities arranged by grade-appropriate topic and skill level, becoming progressively more challenging. Standards matrixes from selected states are provided to give teachers the specific reading, writing, and language convention standards that are covered by each activity in the book. Each topic includes activities that give students daily practice in such important reading skills as identifying the author's purpose, making inferences, remembering details, looking for context clues, and summarizing. In all, 14 specific reading skills are addressed using a variety of applications. Activities are labeled by skill and grouped by topic so teachers may quickly and conveniently access all the drills for a specific skill focus or include a comprehensive set of drills in a study unit for a particular topic. The topic units include oceans, poetry and plays, weather, Greek and Roman myths, the Civil War, sports and athletes, and taking action. Expect your students' reading and writing skills to grow and test scores to improve throughout the year as they complete these daily skill builders.