

## Week of January 21<sup>st</sup> 2020

### Reading

We are continuing *City of Ember*. Students will learn more about mood, author's purpose, setting, and theme this week.

### Writing

We are writing historical information books about the Revolutionary War. Writers who are writing a story about a time in history think about the three most important elements in any story: Character, setting and conflict. When writers are writing essays about historical topics, they think about all they know about essay writing: the structure, the thesis, and the supports. They also need to do research to find facts to develop and support their idea. They will self-reflect and use an information writing checklist. Finally, they will tackle the new piece of information writing by coming up with a research plan.



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### Math

We will continue to practice multiplication. Some students will use repeated subtraction and multiples to find quotients, use partial quotients to divide by 1 digit divisors, explore division with regrouping, use place value to help while dividing and learn to check an answer.

### Science

Students will explore how high the hills of a roller coaster can be. In the activity, *Bumper Coasters (Part II)*, students add hills to the Bumper Coaster they built in *Mystery 2* and experiment to build a deeper understanding of hills and energy.

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