A Visual Tour of the Units
Follow These Same Ten Steps for Your Own Unit Planning

1. Identify your learning pathway, unit focus, and inquiry question

2. Select and sequence your books

3. Determine your reading focus standard

4. Plan for units of approximately five weeks using a Unit Curriculum Map

5. Launch your unit with a unit preview as well as a kickoff lesson based on the provided nonfiction article
Study one picture book per week, beginning with an initial close reading lesson where you discuss the whole book.

Revisit the text for standards-based skill or strategy lessons.

Link the books to one another through students’ discussion and written response.

Administer two assessments at the end of each unit: content-based and standards-based.

Analyze student work to reflect on their performance and your own teaching.