



## Sample **Fourth Grade Reading** that Meets Standards

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### Come Learn About Dolphins

Do you ever wonder about dolphins? Would you like to swim through the ocean and take a few glimpses of the secret world of dolphins? Today you can! Scientists have been studying and working with dolphins for years. We now know more than ever about how they live and play. Together we will make an expedition to the deep sea and find out more about the secret life of dolphins.

Dolphins like to swim in warm water, but they can adapt to live almost anywhere. Bottle-nosed dolphins, the most common kind of dolphin, live in the Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian Ocean, as well as the Mediterranean Sea.



## Sample **Fourth Grade Writing** that Meets Standards

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### The Huated House

There once was a dog who roamed an alley with another dog. That dog's name was Max. The other dog's name was Rocky. Max and Rocky were brother and sister, although they look nothing alike. In another alley not far from Max and Rocky's there was a dog and a cat who lived together in that alley. The dog's name was Surgar and the cat's name was Shantell. One day they all met behind a trash can and became best buds.

One day while all the friends were out walking in the street and then Shantell (the cat) spotted a ghost flying around in a house and took off running to go see the ghost. Then all the dogs took off after her. When the dogs finally caught up to Shantell they were all deep in the haunted house. Max and Surgar started to shake. Rocky and Shantell started to quake. Then a loud Boom came from the floor above them. After, Max got a brilliant idea. They should sneak up on the monsters and attack them.

Finally all four animals were ready to put their manacle plan into action. Shantell tip-toed up the mantel while Max and Surgar went up the back stairs. Which left Rocky creeping up the front stairs. When they all were ready to attack the monsters they heard music. They went a lot like this "Shake, Shake shake dem bones now!" The friends were confused but quickly got back on track. Shantell gave the ready signal and they all jumped up.

They were surprised to see what they saw. They saw about a dozen monsters doing the monster mash. One of the vampires said "Come in dogs and cats. Why don't you dance with us. So Max, Rocky, Surgar and Shantell danced with the monsters."