

Getting Started with a CommonLit 360 Unit: Accessing Materials

1. Within your unit, navigate to the Lessons and Materials page.

The screenshot shows the CommonLit 360 Unit interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the CommonLit logo, 'Home', 'Browse Content', and 'My Classes'. On the right side of the navigation bar are search, settings, notifications, and user profile icons. Below the navigation bar, there is a breadcrumb link: '← Back to 6th Grade Units'. The main content area features a large image of colorful autumn leaves. To the right of the image is the unit title 'Unit 1: Characters Who Change and Grow' and a badge indicating 'Edition 2.0'. Below the title is the 'Essential Question: How are people changed through their relationships and experiences?' and a 'Unit Guide' button. A horizontal menu below the title includes 'Unit Overview', 'Lessons & Materials' (which is selected), and 'Professional Development'. On the left side of the 'Lessons & Materials' page, there is a sidebar with three sections: 'Lessons', 'Unit Skills Assessments', and 'Additional Materials'. The 'Lessons' section is active and displays a list of four lessons:

Lesson Number	Lesson Title	Duration	Action
1	Unit Introduction	25 min	Show More
2	Vocabulary Activity Set	20 min	Show More
3	Reading Lesson: "Do People Really Change?"	35 min	Show More
4	Writing Lesson: Breaking Down a Prompt	45 min	Show More

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Reading and Writing Skill Lessons

2. Locate your lesson and click “show more.”

For each lesson you may see:

- Lesson description
- Facilitation instructions
- Suggested length of the lesson
- Links to assignment materials
- “Preview or Assign” button

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Reading Lesson: "Do People Really Change?"

35 min

Show Less ^

“Do People Really Change?” explains the research behind the “Big Five” personality traits and how people do, in fact, change and grow. It provides an opportunity for students to reflect on who they are and who they want to be, while also providing a framework to think about character change throughout the unit.

Preview or assign

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Writing Lesson: Breaking Down a Prompt

45 min

Show Less ^

This writing lesson establishes the importance of a fundamental skill: carefully breaking down a prompt. Students apply this skill to a prompt about the reading lesson “Do People Really Change?”, which asks them to reflect upon their own personality and areas of growth.

Preview or assign

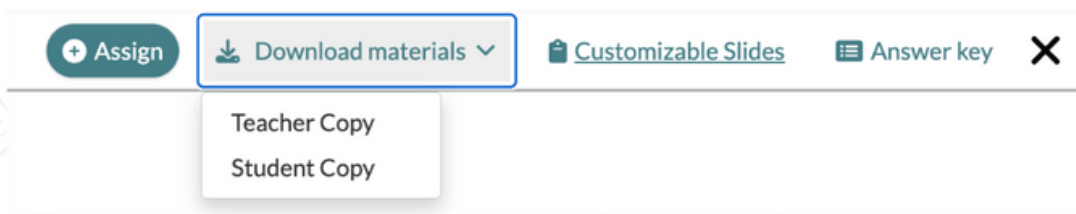
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Reading and Writing Skill Lessons

3. Click “Preview or Assign” to locate materials.

On the top right of the page, you can access your Teacher Copy and Student Copy* by clicking “Download materials.” You will only need the student copy if you are planning to teach with paper and pencil. For more on assigning digitally, [see here](#).



A screenshot of the CommonLit website showing a lesson preview. At the top, the navigation bar includes the CommonLit logo, 'Home', 'Browse Content', and 'My Classes'. The page title is 'Student Assignment Preview' with buttons for 'Assign', 'Download materials', 'Customizable Slides', and 'Answer key'. Below the title, a teal banner indicates 'Assignment in progress for CommonLit example class'. The lesson title is 'Reading Lesson: "Do People Really Change?"'. The 'Lesson Overview' section includes 'Directions: Read the information below about this lesson. Then click NEXT to continue to Part 1.' and a 'Part 2' indicator. A 'Lesson Overview' tab is active, and there are 'Translate' and 'Read Aloud' icons. A 'Font Size' dropdown is set to 'Small'. The text content includes:
About this Text
In this informational text, Jessica McBirney explores whether someone's personality can change.
Purpose for Reading
To summarize an author's central idea so that we can build our understanding of the ways personalities change over time.
Vocabulary
Let's pronounce these words together as a class:
Trait [treyt]
Transform [trans-fawrm]
At the bottom, a teal 'Next' button is visible. A footer note states: 'Unless otherwise noted, content on this website is licensed under a CC BY-NC-SA 4.0 license'.

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Other Lessons Types & Writing Culminating Task Lessons Lessons and Materials Page

For these lessons, you will be able to use links available on the Lessons and Materials page. As you are planning for facilitation, consider:

- If you want to print/post reference sheets and/or anchor charts
- If you will use the provided slide decks “as is” or if you will edit them.
- If you will print student copies for students or whether you will digitally assign Google docs via your LMS (Google Classroom, etc)

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Unit 1: Characters Who Change and Grow Edition 2.0

Essential Question: How are people changed through their relationships and experiences?

Unit Guide

Unit Overview **Lessons & Materials** Professional Development

Lessons	1 Unit Introduction 25 min Show More
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Additional Materials	3 Reading Lesson: "Do People Really Change?" 35 min Show More
	4 Writing Lesson: Breaking Down a Prompt 45 min Show More
	5 Reading Lesson: "Home" 125 - 130 min Show More
	6 Reading Lesson: "The Scholarship Jacket" 70 min Show More
	7 Writing Lesson: Writing a Complete Paragraph 45 min Show More
	8 Vocabulary Quiz 1 Unit 1 15 min Show More