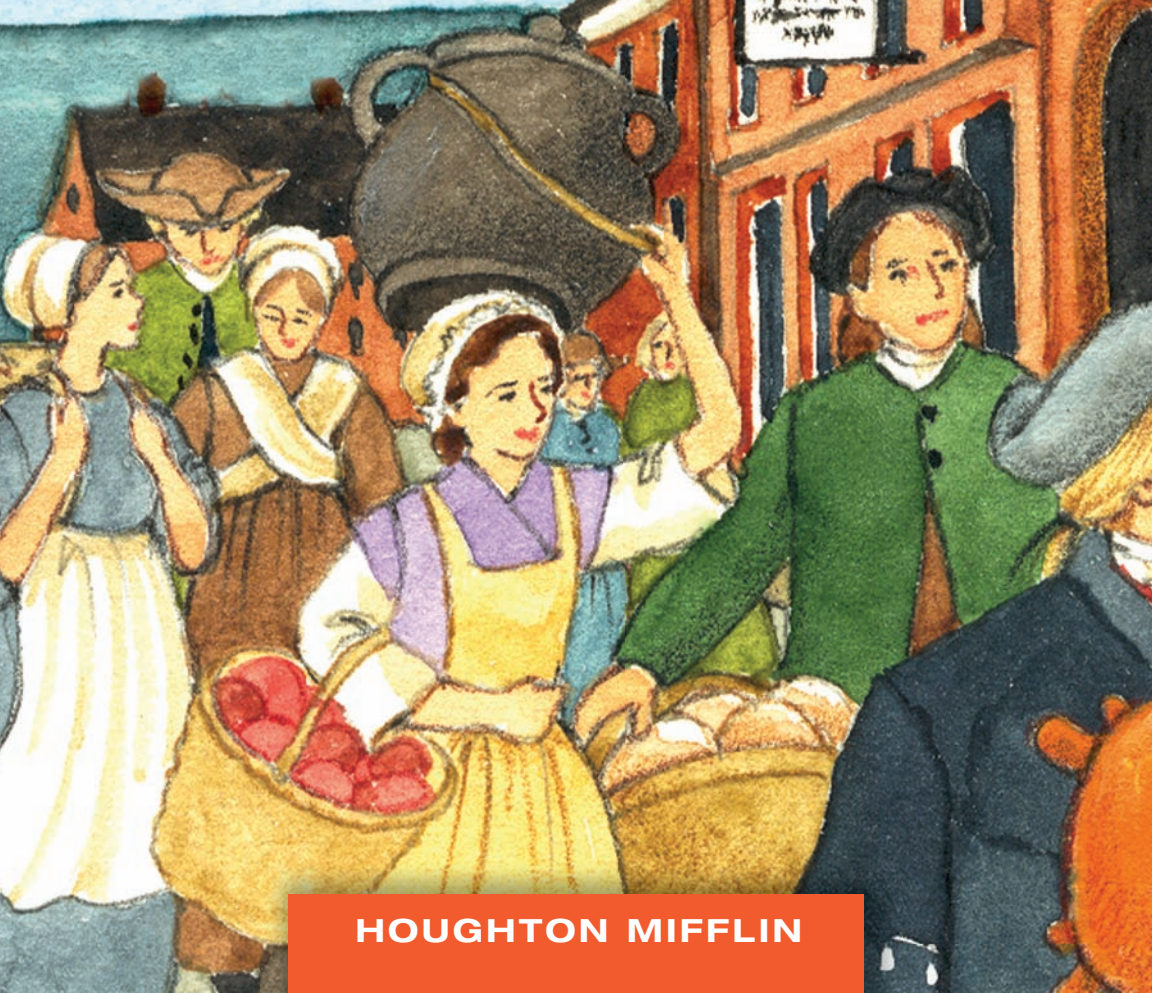
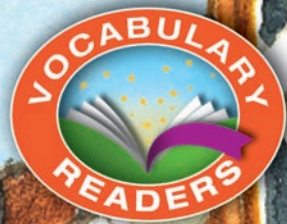


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🔊 In the 1700s, many people sailed to America from other countries. Many of them were poor. They hoped to find work in America's growing cities. Many of these people went to the remarkable city of Philadelphia.



🔊 There was lots to do in Philadelphia!
If you just got off the boat,
you might go to the market.
That's where all the crowds were.
Some people were there to sell food.
Others were there to shop.



🔊 You might be amazed by the **amounts** of fruit and meat for sale! You could buy some bread at a bakery and eat it as you looked around the city.



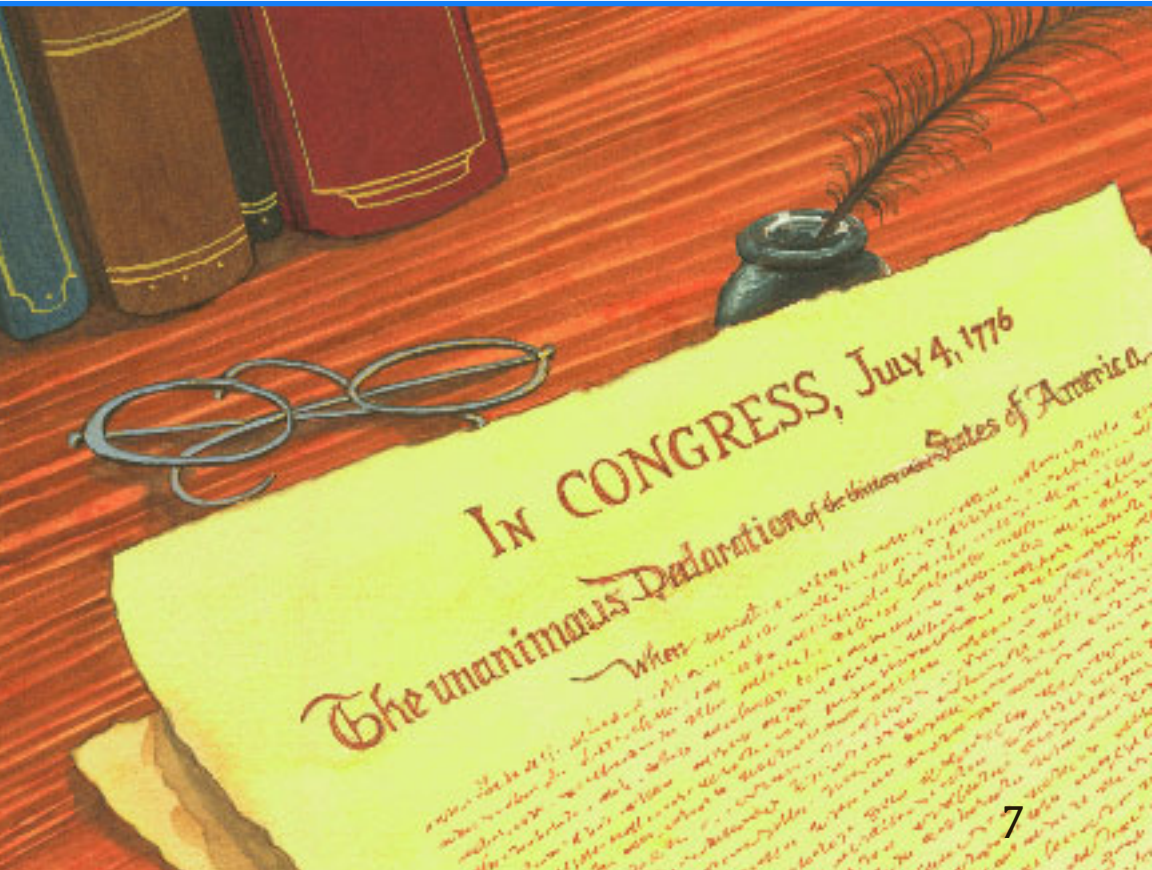
🔊 You might walk past
Pennsylvania Hospital.
It was the first hospital
built in America.
Benjamin Franklin helped start it!
Franklin was a man of many
accomplishments, as you will see.



🔊 You might also see the State House.
Workers finished building it in 1756.
Twenty years later, something very
important would happen here!



🔊 In 1776, Americans wrote a famous document in the State House. It said Americans could not be ruled by any other country. This document said Americans were free!



🔊 Back in the 1700s, you might also go into the State House to see the Library Company.

It was the first public library in America.

Ben Franklin helped start it, too!



🔊 Ben Franklin was a busy man in a busy city.

The lightning rod was one of his many inventions.

He designed one for his home.

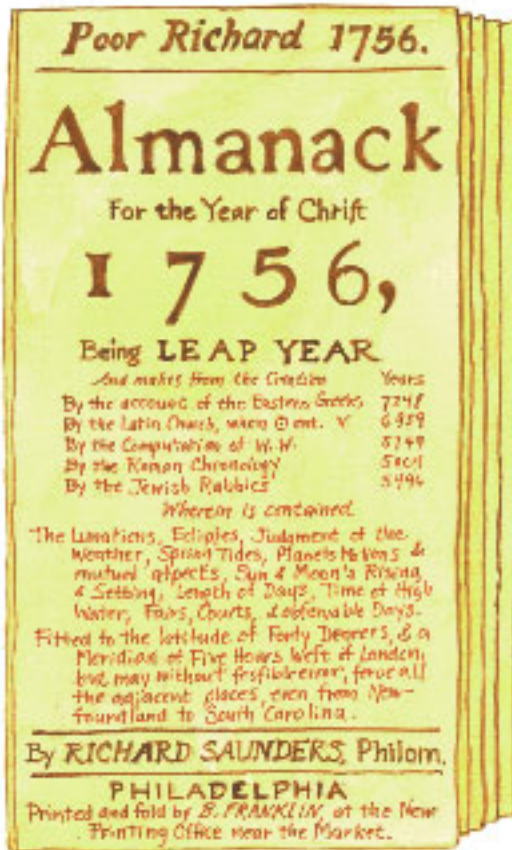
As a result, lightning didn't hurt the house!



🔊 You might also see people reading *Poor Richard's Almanack*.

Ben Franklin **composed** and printed it.

You might hope to **achieve** as much as Franklin did!



Responding

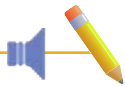


TARGET VOCABULARY

Word Builder

Make a chart listing some of Benjamin Franklin's accomplishments. Copy the chart below and add more accomplishments. Write why each was important.

| Accomplishments | Why Important |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| invented the lightning rod | lightning didn't hurt house |
| ? | ? |
| ? | ? |



Write About It

Text to World Write a few sentences that explain why Benjamin Franklin's accomplishments were important. Use the Word Builder to help you.



TARGET VOCABULARY

accomplishments
achieve
amounts
composed

designed
inventions
remarkable
result



TARGET STRATEGY

Visualize Picture what is happening as you read.



Which vocabulary word rhymes with *believe*?

Level: M

DRA: 28

Social Studies

Strategy:

Visualize

Word Count: 273

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