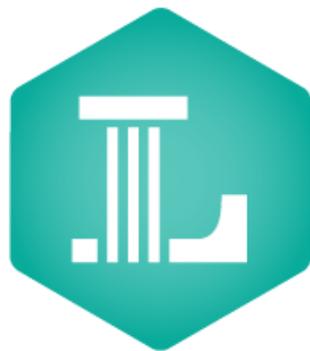


# Little Lincoln/Lincoln Interactive Curriculum Overview



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The purpose of this guide is to enhance your understanding of the Little Lincoln and Lincoln Interactive curriculum and of the navigation and functionality of that curriculum.

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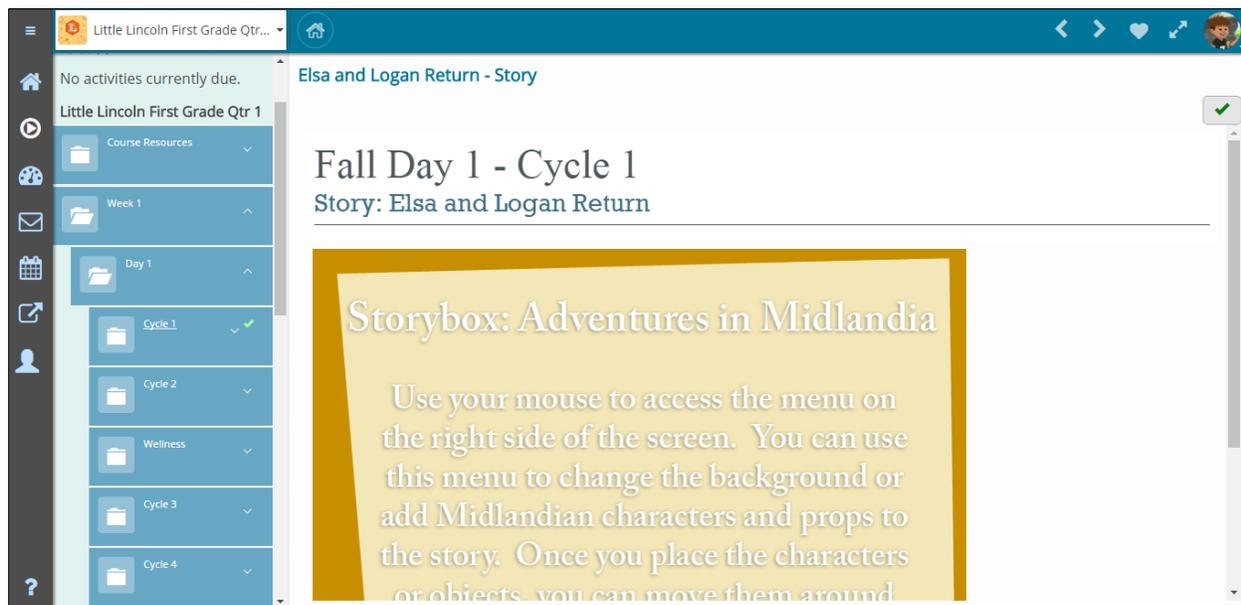
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### Little Lincoln EK – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Little Lincoln EK (Early Kindergarten) through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade courses are designed as quarterly cross-curricular courses that incorporate reading, writing, math, science, social studies, visual arts, and wellness.

The courses have a 180-day structure that is separated into four seasons. Within each day, students work through four cycles (or two cycles, in the case of EK).



Students work through online and offline materials. Offline, students work with a variety of hands-on activities that include art projects, science experiments, activity pages, and more. Students scan and submit some of these activities to be graded.

Early Kindergarten courses are designed to encompass a two-and-one-half to three-hour school day during which students spend half of their time online and half of their time offline.

Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade courses are designed to be a full-day program. In these courses, students dedicate approximately six hours per day to school, with half of the work online and half of the work offline.

## Lincoln Interactive 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Lincoln Interactive 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade courses are designed as two-part subject-specific courses of math, language arts, science, and social studies. Each part contains four units. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade courses offer Wellness and Getting Started options as well.

The screenshot shows the 'Language Arts 4 Part 1 - Lincoln Interactive' online lesson interface. The main content area is titled 'Let's Begin Language Arts Online Lesson - Reading'. Below this, the 'Objectives' section is displayed, listing seven learning objectives for the learner. The objectives are:

- Describe the meaning of an idiom in his own words after reading "Fun with Idioms."
- Identify genre by reading a chart with the characteristics of various types of literature.
- Identify the characteristics and structural elements of poems (verse, rhythm, and meter) by finding examples in poetry.
- List the important characteristics of poetry by identifying each in examples.
- Recall poetry by listening to an example read aloud by the Guide or the CD.
- Read for enjoyment by selecting poetry.
- Interpret text by making inferences or drawing conclusions.
- Discuss text by responding with relevant information or opinions to questions asked.

Students work through online and offline materials. Students' online time begins to increase in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade because the learning takes place in the online activities and components. Students are assessed online as well as offline. Offline assessments typically are scanned and submitted for grading.

A complete day of instruction for these grade levels is approximately six hours. Students spend more than half of the time online for direct instruction and the rest of the time offline for practice and application.

## Lincoln Interactive 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Lincoln Interactive 5<sup>th</sup> grade courses are designed as full-year subject-specific courses of math, language arts, science, and social studies. These courses then are broken down into two parts. Each course is comprised of topic folders. Each topic contains appropriate subtopics. Subtopics then are separated into Lessons. Each Lesson consists of Learning Objects that break the content into the smallest learning pieces.

### Lesson Structure

Each Lesson contains an overview, which identifies objectives, an estimated timeframe, vocabulary, supplies, and more. Additionally, students work through **Learn Its** (the concept) and **Know Its** (the main graded or practice activity associated to the concept). **Extend It** and **Practice It** pieces are not required for students, but they help students to expand their understanding. Practice Its are similar to "Extra Practice" and Extend Its are the "Extend your thinking!" activities found in previous grades. Some concepts also may contain **See Its** (examples) and **Try Its** (practice problems with answer keys). Additional Learning Objects may include videos, games, and interactive Learning Objects.

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Students might see these **Learning Objects** within a Lesson as such:

The screenshot displays the 'Math 5 - Lincoln Interactive' interface. The main content area is titled 'Place Value Names - Overview' and includes a green header for '5TH GRADE MATHEMATICS'. Below the header, there is a section for 'OBJECTIVES' with a 'Description' and a 'Time Estimate' of 20 minutes. The interface also features a sidebar with navigation options and callout boxes labeled 'Learn It', 'Try It', 'Extend It', 'Overview', 'See It', 'Know It', and 'Practice It' pointing to various elements.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Assessments

#### *What are assessments?*

Assessments are incorporated into Lincoln Interactive 5<sup>th</sup> grade courses. These assessments measure students' mastery of the learning objectives, and they are comprised of multiple choice, multiple answer, and/or short-answer questions.

Students can identify assessments because they feature the assessment icon  (question mark in a circle) found within the course navigation. Assessments are located alongside graded assignments, which are indicated by the assignment icon  (a paper with lines).

#### *How are the assessments arranged in each course?*

- The **Language Arts 5** course contains one assessment per module (9), except for the Writing Process module. Additionally, students see a midterm assessment and a final assessment, for a total of 11 assessments in the course.
- The **Math 5** course contains one assessment per topic (15). Additionally, students see a midterm assessment and a final assessment, for a total of 17 assessments in the course.
- The **Science 5** course contains one assessment per topic (13). Additionally, students see a midterm assessment and a final assessment, for a total of 15 assessments in the course.
- The **Social Studies 5** course contains one assessment per module (12). Additionally, students see a midterm assessment and a final assessment, for a total of 14 assessments in the course.

## Guide Resources (Little Lincoln, EK – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, and Lincoln Interactive, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>)

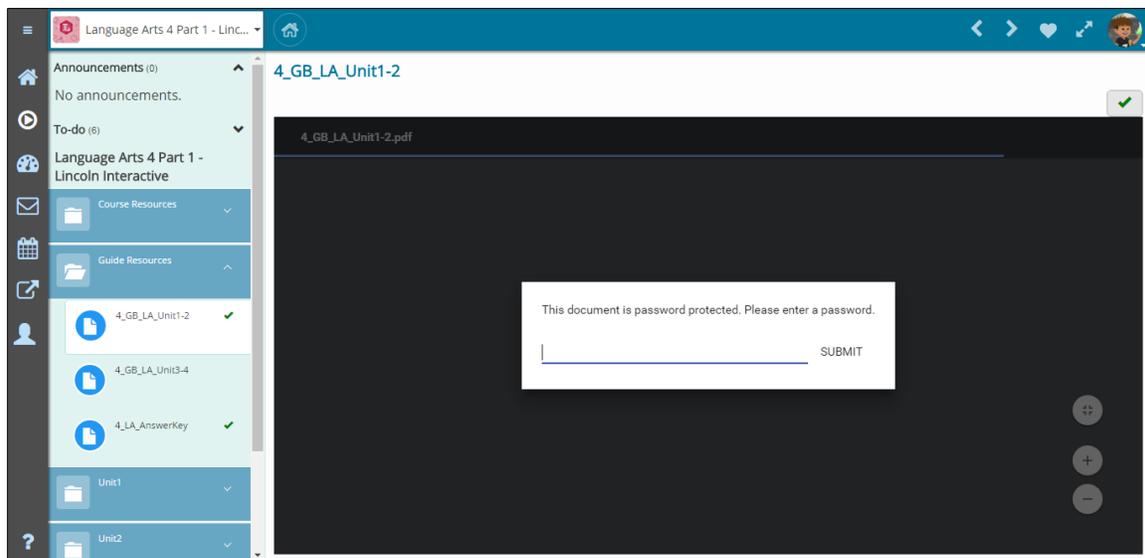
Guides serve an important role in the education of students throughout the EK – 5<sup>th</sup> grade Courses. Lessons that a student completes feature a corresponding section in the Guide Resources section.

Guide Resources for EK – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are in print form. These Guide Books are part of the student materials sent to a family upon ordering courses. The Guide uses these to lead students through daily educational activities. All of the course content is present in the Guide Book for these grades. Students will access the videos, games, and storyboxes online.

Online Guide Resources are available for 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

In order to find online Guide Resources, Guides must be logged in to and viewing the course in which they wish to access these resources.

**NOTE:** When students are logged in, they can see the Guide Resources, but they cannot access the Guide Resources without a password.

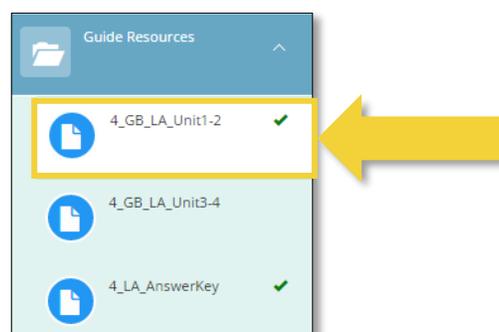


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### Opening the Guide Book

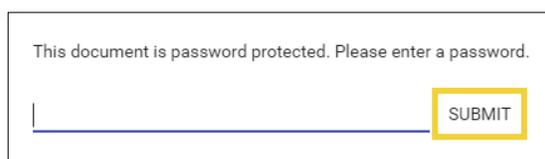
Guides must follow the steps provided to access the Guide Book:

1. Within the course in Buzz, locate the Guide Resources folder.



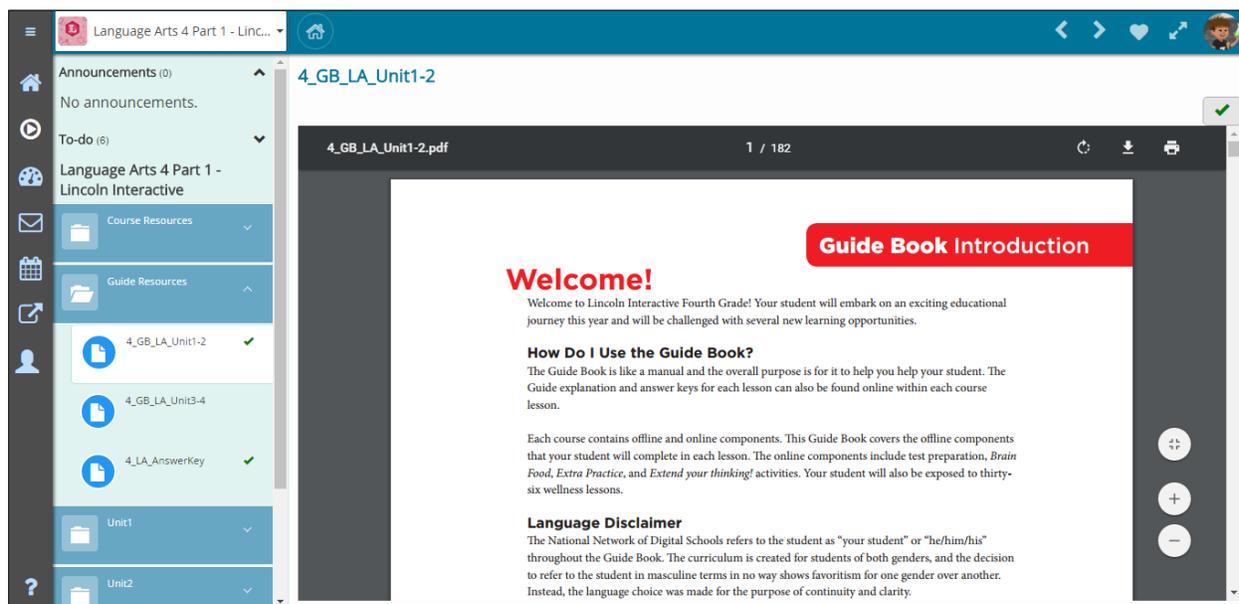
2. Select the Guide Book Resource. (This may take a few moments to load.)

3. Once the PDF loads fully, enter the file's password and click **SUBMIT**.



### Saving the Guide Resource

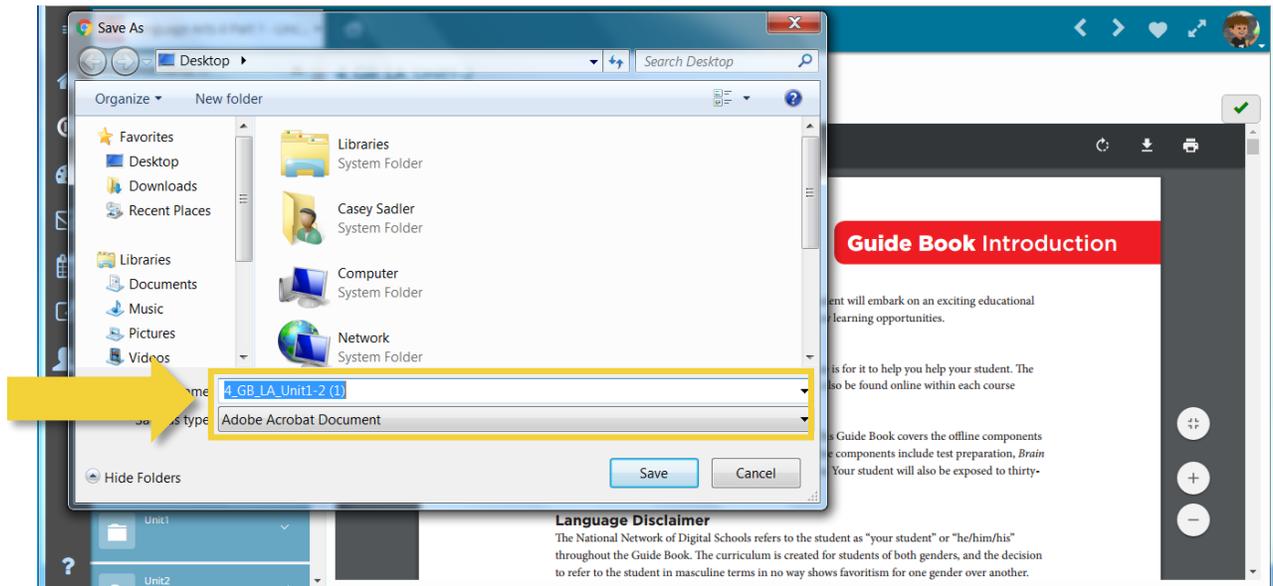
Guides can save the Guide Resource PDF to their computer. This will reduce download time and increase navigability each subsequent time they open the file. Guides must make sure that they have a working version of Adobe Reader downloaded to their computer.



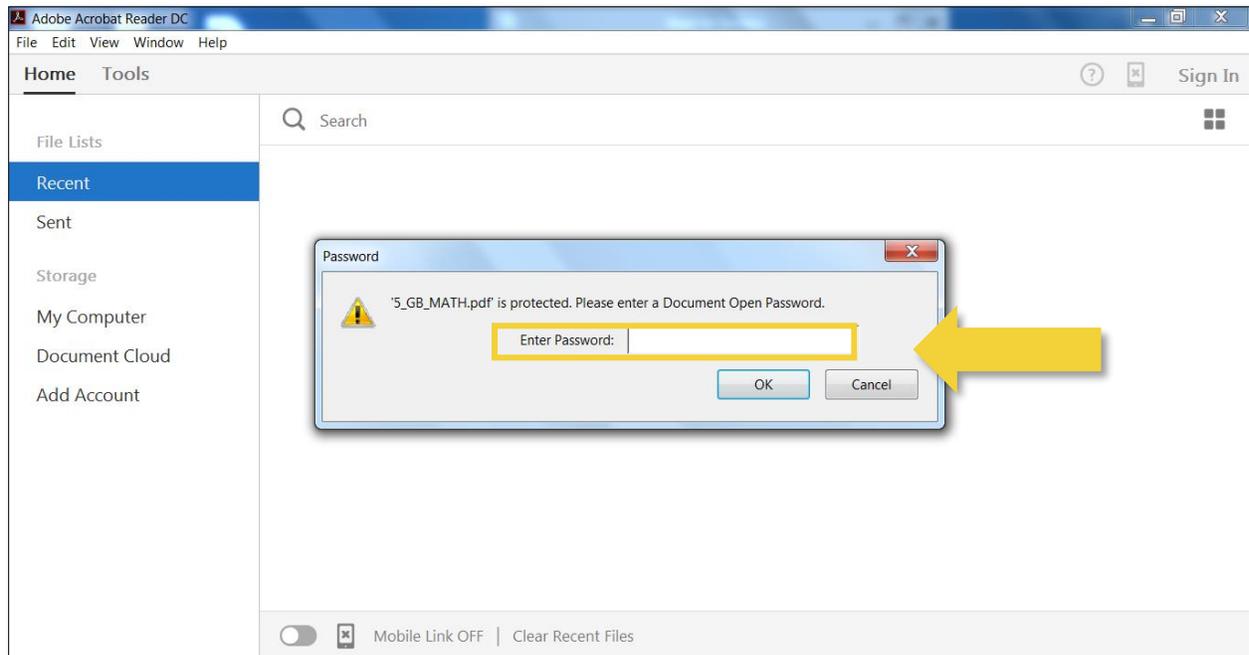
To save the file, Guides must select the **Download** icon from the action bar associated with the Guide Book PDF opened in Buzz.



Guides should then save the file to their desktops or to a folder they can locate easily.



Once they have saved the Guide Book, Guides may open it using Adobe Reader. Although the file is saved, Guides must enter its password each time they open it.

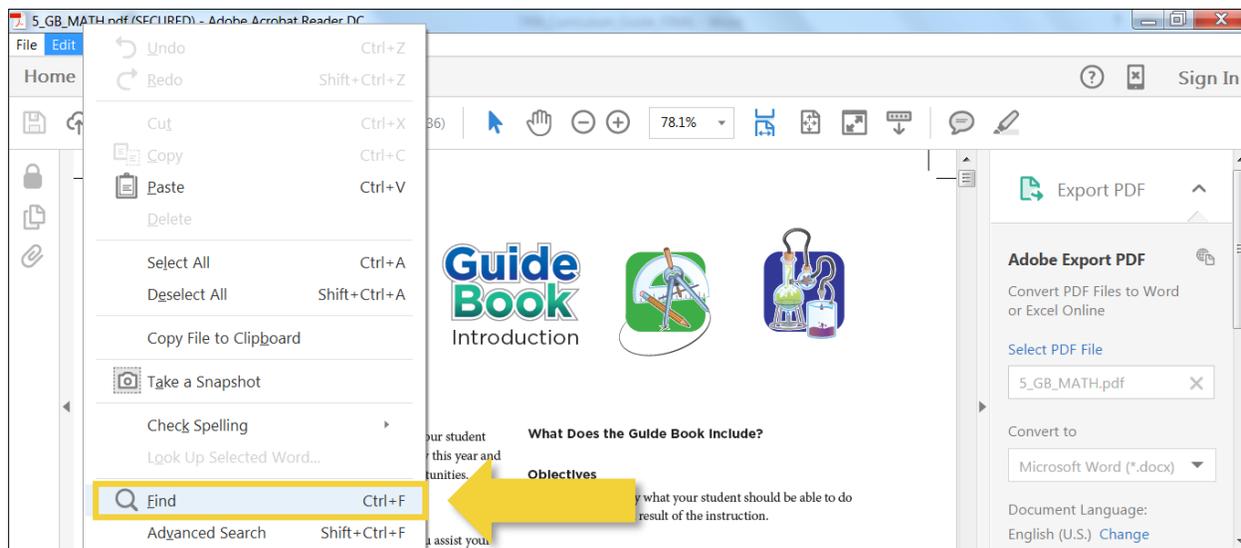


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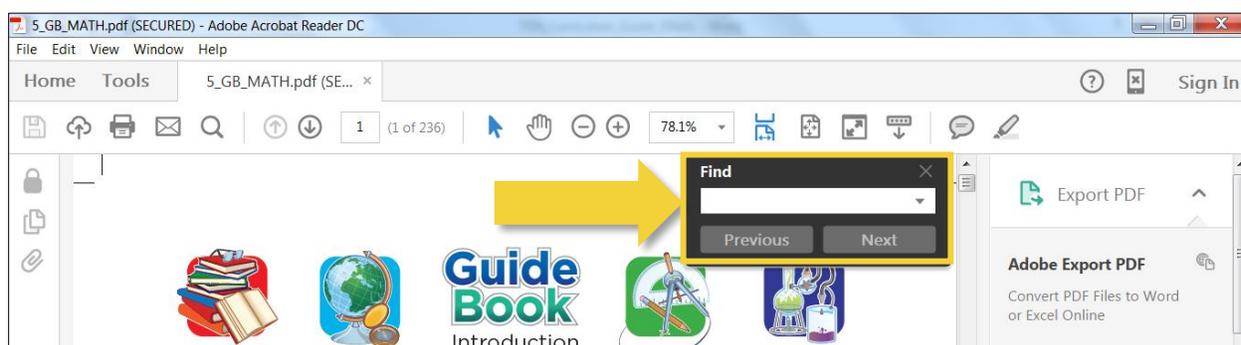
### Using the Find Option

Guides may use the **Find** function in Adobe Reader to locate specific topics and objectives within the file, as follows:

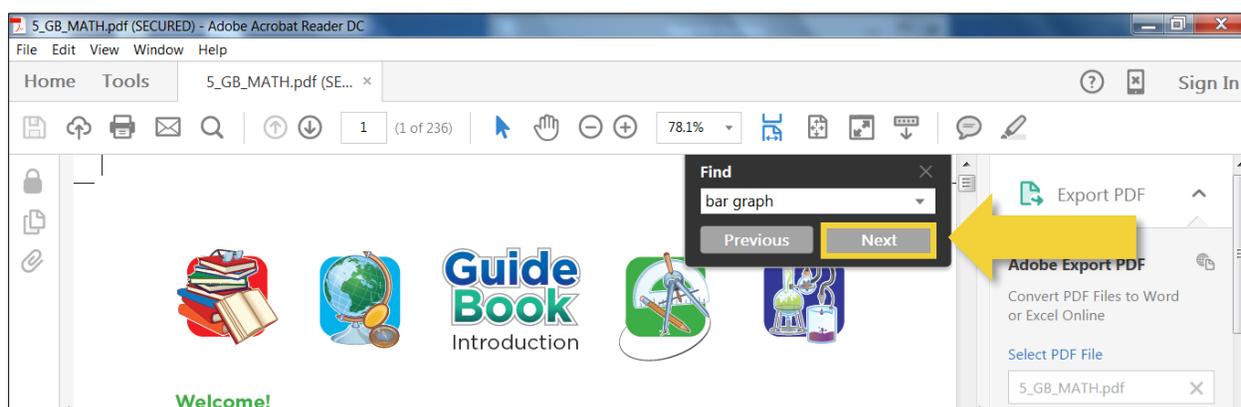
1. Select **Edit** and scroll down to **Find**, or press **Ctrl** and **F** buttons simultaneously to bring up this function.



2. Type in a lesson name or topic in the **Find** bar.



3. Select **Next** to start the search.



## 4. View search results.

The screenshot shows the Adobe Acrobat Reader interface. The search bar at the top right contains the text "bar graph". Below the search bar, the document content is displayed with search results highlighted in green. The highlighted section is titled "Interpret Data on a Bar Graph" and includes the following text:

**Objective**  
Solve three multi-step word problems by using information presented in a bar graph and the four properties of operation.

**Supplies**

- Page 30 of the Math Activities Book
- Pencil
- Notebook
- Construction paper
- Art supplies

**Instructions**

- Instruct your student to turn to the activity page.
- Ask your student to read each problem carefully and solve it using the four operations and what he knows about bar graphs.
- Check his work for accuracy when he is finished.
- Have him keep his completed activity page in a safe place for reference.

Additional search results are shown to the right of the main text:

Step 2: Read the bar graph to determine the cost of each type of wood.  
Oak: \$25.00  
Cherry: \$40.00  
Birch: \$35.00

Step 3: Multiply the cost per board by the number of boards Cindy purchased for each kind.

**Remember:** Common words or phrases may not be ideal for this search because they may be so broad that they do not aid in a Guide's navigation of the document.

### Answer Keys

Guides also can access locked answer keys, if necessary. To obtain the answer keys, click on the **Guide Resources** tab and the answer key for the course (e.g., 4\_Math\_AnswerKey).

The screenshot shows the Lincoln Interactive Learning Solutions interface. The left sidebar displays the "Guide Resources" folder, which contains several resources. A yellow box highlights the resource "4 LA AnswerKey". The main content area displays the "4 LA AnswerKey" document, which is titled "Language Arts - Units 1 & 2 Answer Key 4th grade". The document contains a table of contents with the following columns: "Lesson", "Interpersonal Writing", and "Writing Practice".

Answer keys can also be obtained in the Guide Books, which are available in PDF form in the Guide Resources folder (e.g., 4\_GB\_Math\_Unit1-2). Guide Books are password protected, and Guides should receive a password from their school.

## Lincoln Interactive 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Course Offerings

Lincoln Interactive courses offered for 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade include the core disciplines (English, mathematics, science, and social studies) as well as core discipline elective options, such as Introduction to Short Stories for English offerings and Business Mathematics for mathematics offerings. Additionally, a variety of elective offerings are available, including world language, business, fine arts, health, multimedia, technology, and personal development.

### Course Structure Overview

Full-credit courses consist of two parts. Each half-credit course contains four units. Each unit contains 10 lessons. Each lesson is designed with a three-tiered learning structure:



**Key Concepts** are the main focus of content within the lesson and outline how students will be assessed.



**Reinforcements** are additional work within the content of the lesson to build skills and understanding.



**Enrichments** are activities that broaden students' understanding of content within the lesson.

### Assessment Structure Overview

Each half-credit course consists of 1,000 points. This is made up of smaller assessments, projects, mid-unit exams, unit exams, and a final.

### Applied Knowledge Assessments

As students progress through the lessons, they may find Applied Knowledge Assessments. These are project-based assessments. To read the instructions, click the **Directions** link.

The Applied Knowledge Assessment instructions download in an editable text (e.g., Microsoft Word) document, which students can view or print, if needed. The included rubric tells students how their work will be evaluated by the teacher.

Some of the assessments have additional materials to assist students. Students may click on these links to read and print the additional information needed to complete the Applied Knowledge Assessment successfully.

When students are ready to submit their work to the teacher, they should click on the **Applied Knowledge Assessment** link in the left navigation menu of their course. Applied Knowledge Assessments are designated with a lined paper icon in the course navigation bar.