4th Grade Study Guide- Lesson 1

“Because of Winn-Dixie”

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**Comprehension Skills and Strategies:**

Story Structure

**Genre:**

Realistic Fiction

**Grammar Skill:**

What is a Sentence?

Subject (noun)

Predicate (verb)

**Vocabulary Strategies:**

Prefixes re-, un-, dis-

**Writing Skills:**

***Narrative Writing***: Descriptive Paragraph

***Focus Trait***: Word Choice

**Spelling Skill**:

Words with short a and Long a

**Spelling Words:** blade, gray, past, afraid, magic, delay, amaze, drain, maybe, break, sale, hang, stain, glass, raft, jail, crayon, fact, stale, steak

**Challenge Words:** fraction, trait, champion, activity, graceful

**Vocabulary Words**

comfort- To make one feel better when sad or frightened

mention- To speak of or write about briefly

mood- A person’s state of mind

properly- In a correct manner

intends- To plan

consisted-To be made up of

positive- Having no doubts; sure

advanced-Highly developed or complex

peculiar-Strange or odd

talent- A natural ability to do something well