

Expository Thinking Guide
Biography

Title of the Selection Roberto Clemente By Christine King Farris
Genre: Biography

Topic of Selection	Name of the noteworthy person, animal or thing Roberto Clemente
(Central Idea) Main Idea of Selection	Greatest accomplishments Roberto Clemente was the greatest all-around baseball player of his time
Main Idea of Each Paragraph	Use biography outline to predict the main idea of each paragraph.
Biography Outline	
A. Introduction to the Noteworthy Person	1. The author introduced Roberto Clemente as a little boy from Puerto Rico with a fever to play and win at baseball.
B. Childhood	2. Roberto was very poor but made what he needed to play baseball.
C. Education, Training or Development	3. He made his way up to professional. (Implied idea)
D. Significant Events	4. He was invited to play in the major leagues in America. 5. Sent to play a losing team, the Pittsburgh Pirates. 6. Pittsburgh was very different for Clemente. 7. Announcer even stumbles to pronounce his name. 8. Name pronunciation and he introduces himself with smacking his first pitch 9. Clemente beat the throw to first base. 10. People begin to ask about Clemente 11. To Pittsburgh fans Clemente was like a jolt of electricity. 12. Playing right field, he had no equal 13. Clemente was cool. 14. Twisting move with his neck 15. Clemente felt that you should try as hard as you can 16. Clemente helped the last-place Pirates beat the NY Yankees in the World Series. 17. He walked unnoticed in the celebrating crowd

	<p>18. Newspapers did not like him.</p> <p>19. Clemente decides to work hard and get their respect.</p> <p>20. Clemente goes back home and practices like he used to.</p> <p>21. Clemente returns to Pittsburgh to earn the highest batting average of the Nation League that season.</p> <p>22. But the newspapers still didn't respect him.</p> <p>23. Seem like he would never be respected.</p> <p>24. 1971, Pirates in World Series again.</p> <p>25. People watching Clemente put on a one-man show</p>
E. Greatest Accomplishments	<p>26. Finally it could not be denied: Roberto was the greatest all-around baseball player of his time</p> <p>27. Clemente hits his three-thousandth hit</p> <p>28. The crowd cheers, players stopped, he stood in amazement of the accomplishment</p> <p>29. He returns to Puerto Rico</p> <p>30. He hires a plane to help earthquake victims in Central America</p> <p>31. During the flight, the plane crashed into the ocean.</p> <p>32. Clemente died.</p>
F. Influence	<p>33. Clemente's story lives in the hearts of all he touched.</p> <p>34. Clemente's spirit lives in the hearts of Latino baseball players, charities he started, and in Pittsburgh.</p>