

Breaking into Print
OCR 4th grade Unit 5 Lesson 4
Readers Theatre

Gutten: Help me with my homework. This is horrible.

Berg: What do you have to do?

Gutten: I have to write a pamphlet on writing.

Berg: Just do it on the computer.

Gutten: My teacher wants us to go “old school”.

Berg: You mean you have to use pen and paper.

Gutten: Worse. We have to use parchment and quills.

Berg: You’re going to be like scribes writing manuscripts.

Gutten: I’d help you, but I don’t know the alphabet.

Berg: How do you write your papers?

Gutten: I use the computer and a word processing program.

Berg: But if you don’t know the alphabet, how do you know what to write?

Gutten: I just type whatever and let the spell check take care of the rest.

Berg: Does it always make sense?

Gutten: Beats me, I can’t read.

Berg: Then why do you even bother coming to school?

Gutten: I have to come to school. I’m a teacher!