



Teacher Notes: Luke Bryan Spring Break in Florida

Page 1: Winter is the season when it is very, very cold. There is snow on the ground. The wind blows, you have to wear clothes that keep you warm. Sometimes there is ice in the winter. It's slippery. People who live in places where it is cold and snowy are excited about going somewhere warm on vacation. (discuss clothing worn, how awful it is to be cold, share stories of being cold or stuck in snow as well as fun times-sledding, snow mobile riding, etc.) **Questions:** Do you know which months are winter months? Is January in the winter? What is that on the ground? What should people wear when it is cold like that? Is the winter fun? What is fun about it? What do you think people get sick of? Have you gone on vacation? Have you been on vacation? What do you do? Where do you stay? Where do you think would be fun to go for spring break? **Point** to the bicycles, light posts, buildings, snow, trees, stairs, students, bicycle tires) Here is a video of a winter scene: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SMfB1REALp4>

Take your **winter** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about what we know about winter.

Page 2: Spring break is something that we all look forward to! We get excited. We get a week off school. A lot of people like to go to Florida on spring break. They like to travel, that means take a trip. A trip is going on vacation- staying at a hotel. I love it! I love to travel! FL's nickname is the Sunshine State. Yes, I want to go to the Sunshine state! It is called that because it's sunny there. I want to go to Florida. Look at the map. FL is a peninsula. There is water on 3 sides of it. Point to 3 sides saying water, water, water, land. That's 3 sides. That also means that there are a lot of beaches there! FL is in the south. It's warmer in the south! **Question:** What is a break? When is spring? What are goggles for? What can you see in the water if you wear those? Point to the sand. Which state is popular to visit over spring break? Where is your state? How far are you from FL? What are those kids doing? What do they have on their head? What do you know about Florida? Have you ever been to Florida? What is it like? What is the name of the water by that beach? Did Luke play a concert on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico? **Point:** state of FL., goggles, sand, sky, your state, clouds.

Take your **spring break** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about what we know about spring break and why people go to Florida when they can.

Page 3: Luke Bryan used to do a free concert every year in Florida. His concert was in Panama City, FL. Look at the map. Panama City on the map. It is on the side of FL where the Gulf of Mexico is. The other side of FL is on the Atlantic Ocean. If you go to a beach here, you will be in the Gulf, if you go swimming on this side, you are in the Atlantic Ocean. **Questions:** What does 'free' mean? What does "used to" mean? Does he still do that? If something is free, how much does it cost? What water is Luke's concert on? Where was the concert? Why is that red fence there? **Point:** Panama City, FL, Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic Ocean, audience, Luke, microphone, fence

Take your **Gulf of Mexico** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about what we know about the Gulf of Mexico and Luke's concerts.

Page 4: If a place is popular that means that a lot of people like to go to that place. Florida is popular. It's a place people like to go. It's a spring break destination. That means it's a place people want to go. A destination is a place. Miami is a city in Florida. It is a popular city. People like to visit Miami. It's a place

that people like to visit. Miami is on the east side of FL. That means that when you go swimming in Miami, you are swimming in the Atlantic Ocean. This whole side of FL is on the coast of the Atlantic Ocean. Swimming is fun, but you need to be safe. This building is where lifeguards work. They watch out in the water. They want to be sure everyone is safe. They can help if they see a problem. **Questions:** What does popular mean? What is a destination? What is a coast? Is Miami on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico? Atlantic Ocean? If you swim in Miami are you in the Atlantic Ocean? Is there sand on the beach? What is the job of a lifeguard? Why is there a lifeguard at a beach? Do you like to swim? How can you stay safe swimming? **Point:** Lifeguard station, sand, Atlantic Ocean, Miami, sand, sky, person wearing red shirt. **Video** of East Florida coastline: Atlantic Ocean:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4CbQ5pH2jE0>

Take your **Atlantic Ocean** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about what we know about Taylor's Christmas tree farm so far.

Page 5: Key West is another place in FL. It is a popular place to go for spring break. It is way down at the bottom of FL. At the end of FL there are little islands that are connected by bridges. At the end the last one is Key West. One of the things that tourists can do while they are on vacation in Key West is go to the butterfly conservatory. A conservatory is a place where they have a big glassed in area outside for the butterflies to live without flying away. People can buy tickets and go see the butterflies. There are between 50-60 different butterflies from all over the world. There are some places that have butterflies that we don't have here. The butterfly conservatory buys the butterflies and puts them in the glass conservatory so that we can see them. The owl butterfly is the biggest one they have. There is a picture of it at the top of the page. Look at the wings. It looks like owl eyes. That is why it is called owl butterfly. **Questions:** Where is Key West? What state is Key West in? What insect is this? What lives at the conservatory? Where do the butterflies come from? Do you have to buy tickets to go in the conservatory? What is a conservatory? What is the biggest butterfly there? Why is it called owl butterfly? Is this butterfly called an owl butterfly? Do you see any blue butterflies in this picture? What is one thing you can do in Key West? **Point:** Owl butterfly, Florida, Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, Key West,

Take your **butterfly conservatory** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about butterflies and the conservatory in Key West.

Page 6: Florida is surrounded by water on 3 sides. It is a peninsula. A long time ago Spanish ships came to Florida. They brought things for people to buy. Sometimes they were bringing people over who wanted to move to Florida. Sometimes really bad weather would blow really hard and make big, big waves and ships would sink. They would go down, down, down to the bottom of the Ocean. People did not know where to look to find the ships. There are people who like to look for shipwrecks. They want to see if they can find the ship and see what was on the ship. They want to take the stuff from the shipwreck and look at it and maybe sell it or give it to a museum. A museum is where you can pay to look at the artifacts in the museum. Artifacts are the things that they found that were on the ship. **Questions:** Why is that ship on it's side? Is it under water? How do you know? Do you see any fish? What artifacts do you think someone might find in a shipwreck? Is this a picture of a shipwreck? If I found a key in a shipwreck is that an artifact? Pocket watch? Chandelier? Anchor? Statue? Old coins? What is a museum? Where is the Shipwreck Museum? What is an artifact? **Point:** Ship, fish, ocean floor,

pocket watch, key, coins. Video: Here is a shipwreck that is found under water.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HDjqBNMWniY>

Take your **Shipwreck** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about what they know about shipwrecks and the shipwreck museum in Key West.

Page 7: The Everglades National Park is in Florida. It is a place for animals to live and people to visit. A lot of animals live in the everglades. People do not live in National Parks. Animals live in National Parks. One animal that lives there is the Florida panther. It is endangered. That means that there are not many left. There are also alligators in the everglades. Alligators live in the swamps in the everglades. Look at the sign. It is not safe to swim there. An alligator could attack. That is why there is a sign. A swamp is water with a lot of plants growing in it. **Questions:** Is the Everglades a national park? Do alligators live there? Do they climb trees? Do Florida panthers live in the everglades? Do they live in the swamp? Are they endangered? What does 'endangered' mean? Is it safe to swim in the swamps in the Everglades? Why? What about wading? **Point:** alligator, Florida panther, Everglades, swamp, no swimming sign.

Video of swamp and animals in everglades: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HPrPtCns5Lc>

Take your **Everglades** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about the Everglades and the animals that live there.

Page 8: When people go to the Everglades they can see alligators. They can buy tickets to go on a Swamp tour. They ride in a boat that is made for the swamp. It moves by having a fan on the back of it. It's called an airboat. You can buy a ticket and ride on that boat. There is a guide who explains everything. You can ask the guide a question about the Everglades. **Questions:** Are there alligators in the swamp? Can you see them? What type of boat can you ride in on the swamp? What makes an airboat move? What do you think alligators eat? What is in the swamp that they could eat? **Point:** tourists, airboat, fan, tour guide, alligator, swamp. Video of airboat tour:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CEFkyS2GBdg>

Take your **swamp tour** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about swamp tours and what you know about them.

Page 9: Last but not least means, "And of course....Disney World". It means even though we are saying Disney last, it's a place that people like. You can buy a ticket to go to Disney World. Disney World is an amusement park. You can ride rides. You can see Mickey Mouse. You can ride on a roller coaster. Disney World is a big place. It is busy. **Questions:** What can you do if you get lost there? What if you can't find the people you came with? "Oh no, I don't see my mom"!! Is this a problem? Yes, you are lost. Being lost is a problem. What do you need to do? You need to find someone to help. Who could you ask? (facilitate this scenario). What is Disney World? What is an amusement park? What can you do in Disney World?

Point: lost girl, ride, palm trees, ride, person screaming. Video of Disney World:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K3wXQcWyVTA>

Take your **Disney World** Main Idea card and find a partner to ask questions and quiz each other about Disney World and what to do if you get lost.