

The Literature Connection: Teacher Reflections

- Although the book *Cucumber Soup* is directed toward primary math, 5th grade math activities can also be addressed.
- Students can build word problems.
- They can also identify patterns related to
 - the number of different insects in the book and
 - the characteristics of the insects represented in the book.
- Force and mass can also be addressed.
 - How much does the cucumber weigh in proportion to the insects?
 - If a class had a heavy object, how many students would be needed to push it?