



Los Angeles Unified School District
MULTILINGUAL AND MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



ELEMENTARY

DESIGNATED ELD MENTOR TEXT LESSON:

The Tortilla Factory by Gary Paulsen

Grade K

The black earth sleeps in winter
but in the spring the black earth is worked by brown hands
that plant yellow seeds,
which become green plants rustling in soft wind
and make golden corn to dry in hot sun and be ground into flour
for the tortilla factory, where laughing people and clank-clunking machinery mix the
flour into dough.