

Engage your little readers with this book activity. Discussing, writing, and drawing parts of a book can enhance reading comprehension, identify likes/dislikes, and encourage future reading.

Pick your favorite book



Read it aloud together



Complete book report and discuss

FRONT COVER and BOOK INFORMATION

TITLE

(Name or descriptive heading that identifies the book)

- Do you like it, why or why not?
- What are your title ideas?
- Does the image match the title?



AUTHOR

(The person who wrote the book)

- Does the author share information about themselves?
- How is the author like/unlike you?
- Why do you think they wrote the book?

Title

Author/Illustrator

ILLUSTRATOR

(The person who created the pictures)

- Is it the same person as the author?
- Do like their style of art?
 - Is it realistic, artistic, abstract or photos
 - Are the colors, bright, dull, or black and white?
 - Are they full of details or are they simple?
- Do see hidden pictures or pictures that are not a part of the written story?
- Which emotions are shown?

BACK COVER and EXTERIOR

BACK COVER

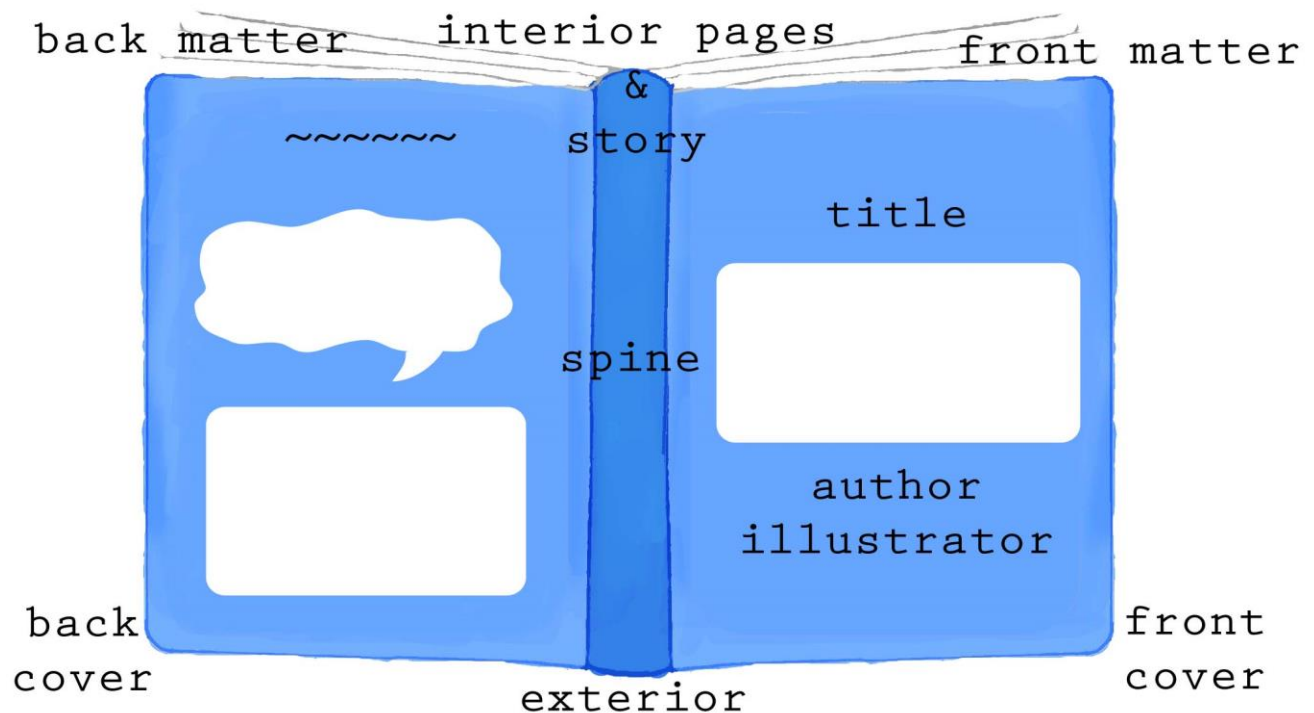
(Back of the Book)

- What is on the back?
 - Blurbs, reviews or awards?
 - Information about the author?
 - Book Summary?
 - Pictures?
 - Publishing/Selling information?

EXTERIOR TYPE

(Physical Characters)

- What is the book like on the outside?
 - Paperback or hardback?
 - What is on the spine?
 - Big or Small?
 - Tall or Wide?
 - Thin or thick?



INTERIOR

INTERIOR TYPE

(Physical Characteristics)

- What are the pages like?
 - White or color?
 - Thick or thin?
 - Smooth or rough?
 - Matte or glossy?

FRONT MATTER

(Pages that occur before the story)

- What front matter is included?
 - Title page
 - Copyright
 - Dedication
 - Table of Contents

BACK MATTER

(Pages that occur after the story)

- What back matter is included?
 - Information about the author or from the author
 - Acknowledgments
 - Glossary, Index
 - Bibliography

STORY, CHARACTERS, and SETTING

CHARACTERS

(Who was in the book?)

- How many people are in the book?
- Who are the main characters? (Hero)
- Who are the supporting characters? (Hero's family and friends)
- Is there a villain?

Describe them, pick 2-3 and show them

- *Physical traits:*
 - Boys or Girls?
 - Adults or Kids?
 - Hair, Eyes, Body
- *Personality traits:*
 - **See List Below**
- *Feelings:*
 - Happy, Sad, Mad, Scared,

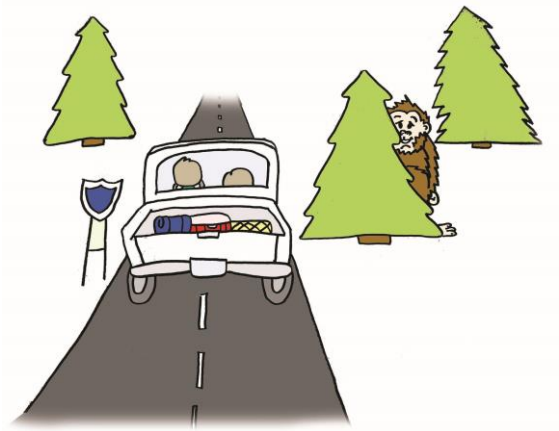


- How are they similar/different than you?
- What do you like and dislike about them?

SETTING

(Where/When did the book take place?)

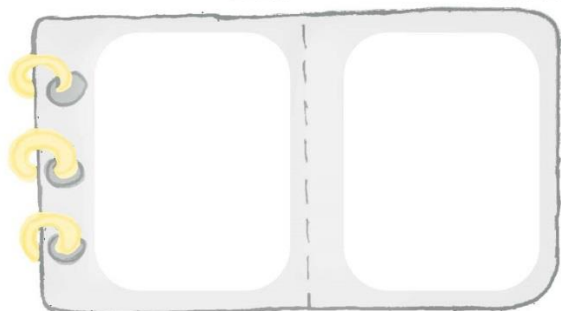
- Describe using your senses
 - Sights, sounds, touch, taste, smell.
- How many locations?
- Inside or Outside?
- Long ago or today?
- Morning, Afternoon, Night?
- Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall? Hot or Cold?
- Clean or Dirty?
- Friendly or Scary?
- How is it like where you live?



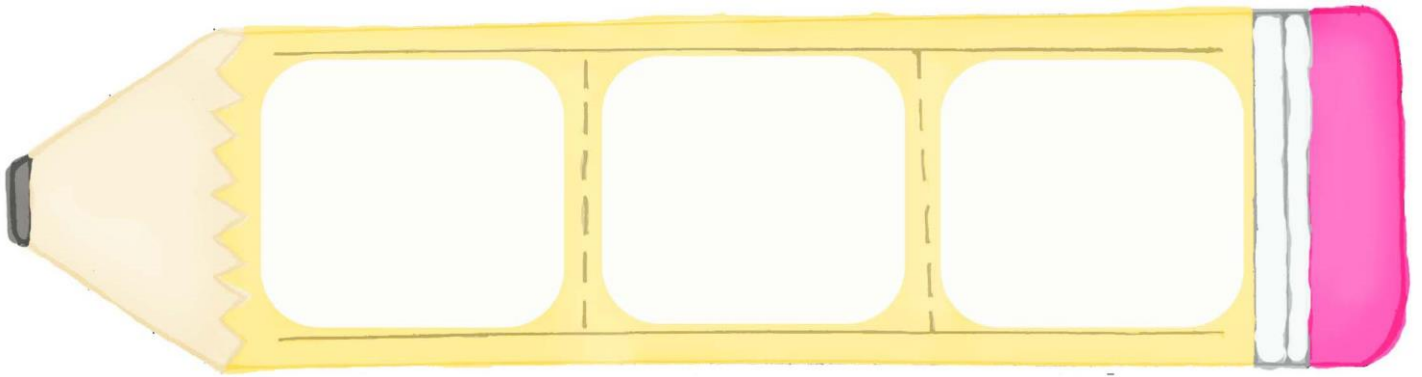
SUMMARY

(What was the book about?)

- What type of tale is it? (Action, Silly, Scary)
- Is a real information book (bibliography, educational)
- Is it an imagination book (fairy tale, fantasy)?



PLOT and SEQUENCE



BEGINNING (INTRO/CONFLICT)

1

- How did it start?
- Who did you meet?
- What is the problem to be fixed or idea to accept/learn?

MIDDLE (CLIMAX)

2

- What are they doing and why?
- What changed the story? Was it good or bad?
- Would you do the same?

END (RESOLUTION)

3

- Was the problem fixed, or did the character learn acceptance or change?

RATING and FAVORITE PART

Did you enjoy the book?



Would you recommend the book?

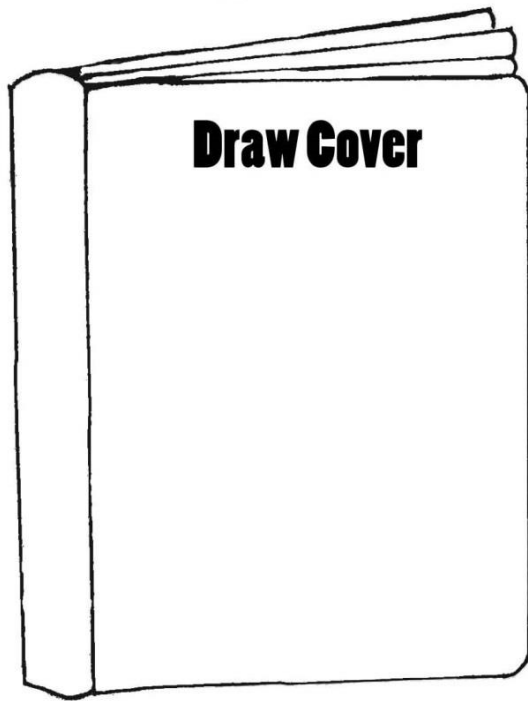
Why or why not?



What was your favorite Part?



my Book Report



Name

Title

Author/Illustrator



Rate it

Story

Beginning

Middle

End

Characters

Setting



My Favorite Part

My Book Report



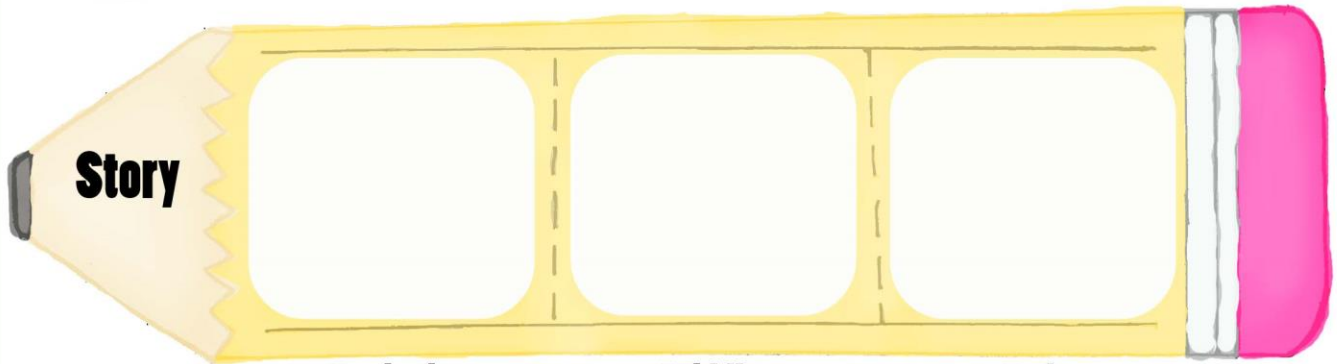
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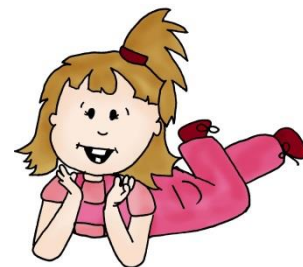
Setting

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100 Character Descriptions

The grade-level is a suggestion. It is based on the average grade that kids are able to understand the meaning of the word and if they can recognize it when reading. Use this opportunity to expand their vocabulary. You will be surprised what kids can pick up using context clues.



- Active 3rd
- Affectionate 4th
- Brave 1st
- Careful 1st
- Charismatic 6th
- Confident 6th
- Dangerous 6th
- Exciting 4th
- Foolish 2nd
- Gentle 3rd
- Honest 3rd
- Insistent 5th
- Lazy 4th
- Loyal 5th
- Nice 1st
- Polite 4th
- Quiet K
- Reliable 5th
- Sarcastic 6th
- Serious 4th
- Smart 1st
- Stubborn 5th
- Talented 2nd
- Timid 5th
- Wild 2nd
- Adventurous 3rd
- Ambitious 4th
- Brilliant 4th
- Caring K
- Charming 3rd
- Curious 3rd
- Dependable 3rd
- Easy-going 5th
- Fun K
- Gloomy 3rd
- Hateful 3rd
- Intelligent 6th
- Logical 6th
- Mean 1st
- Nosy 1st
- Pleasant 3rd
- Quick 1st
- Rude 2nd
- Secretive 5th
- Shy K
- Sneaky 4th
- Studious 6th
- Talkative 3rd
- Trusting 1st
- Worried 1st
- Annoying 5th
- Anxious 4th
- Bully 1st
- Cheerful 3rd
- Childish K
- Courageous 4th
- Determined 5th
- Faithful 3rd
- Funny 1st
- Grouchy 3rd
- Hopeless K
- Imaginative 2nd
- Lonely 2nd
- Moody 3rd
- Obnoxious 3rd
- Respectful 2nd
- Picky 1st
- Rowdy 1st
- Selfish 5th
- Silly 1st
- Sincere 4th
- Sympathetic 4th
- Thoughtful 2nd
- Trustworthy 1st
- Witty 1st
- Afraid 1st
- Bossy K
- Calm 3rd
- Clever 3rd
- Competitive 6th
- Cowardly 4th
- Dishonest 5th
- Friendly 1st
- Generous 4th
- Happy K
- Impulsive 5th
- Jealous 5th
- Lovable K
- Mischievous 4th
- Observant 3rd
- Responsible 4th
- Pessimistic 6th
- Sad K
- Self-reliant 6th
- Slow 1st
- Sociable 1st
- Sweet K
- Thoughtless 2nd
- Unfriendly 2nd
- Wise 1st

Grade-levels were obtained from the below book.

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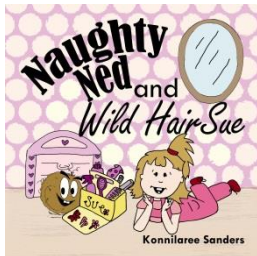
"I Miss You All Day All Week."

About, Abigail a little girl who is worried about missing her father while he works. They spend time together to think about the adventures to be had when the weekend comes.



"Naughty Ned and Wild Hair Sue"

Sue is a little girl who refuses to brush her hair. She loves her new friend Ned, a hair knot. But, the fun does not last for long as he was a naughty knot. Sue learns an important lesson about brushing her hair in this harebrained tale.



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