READING

Use the following to complete the reading activities:

☐ Read this book aloud to the class: __________________________

☐ Let each student select his/her own book.

☐ Have the students use this story: __________________________
   It can be found here: __________________________

☐ Other: __________________________

Today they will do the following activity/activities.

☐ STORY SEQUENCE
After reading the book, the students will summarize the story in sections by beginning, middle and end using drawings and/or sentences. Encourage them to use as much detail as possible.

☐ CHARACTER SKETCH
After reading the book, the students will select a character from the book to focus on. Each student should identify the character by name and cite examples from the text to support their thinking. For the drawing, encourage them to add details that relate to the story by including props and a background and not just a body.

☐ ASKING QUESTIONS
To complete this activity the students will need to write questions about what they’ve read. Refer to the directions on the page.
READING CONTINUED

☐ WORDS IN THE STORY
To complete this activity each student will go through the text and search for words beginning with each letter of the alphabet. There may include multiple words in each box.

☐ WORDS IN THE STORY 2
After gathering words from the story, the students will write sentences using those words in context.

☐ SETTING
The goal of the settings activity is for students to understand that stories often have more than one setting and that setting includes not only location, but also time. After reading the story have them illustrate a detailed picture of the setting(s) in the text, describe the setting and answer the questions using details from the text.

☐ PARTS OF A STORY
This activity focuses on the problem and the solution of a story. It is often helpful to discuss this prior to having them put pencil to paper. They should use words and detailed illustrations to tell what the conflict was and how it was resolved.

☐ DESIGN A NEW BOOK COVER
After reading the story, the students should think about how the details can best be represented in one picture. Remind them that covers are important because it is the first thing a reader sees and often makes them form an opinion on if they want to read the book or not. Make sure they include the title and the author’s name. If they are not using individual copies of the book please be sure to neatly write the title and author where they can easily copy them down.
Character Sketch

The Character's Name is ____________________________

The Character Looks Like This:

Words that Describe the Character:

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The Settings: Where and When the Story Takes Place

Select one scene from the story and describe the setting in detail.

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Explain how the setting impacted the story.

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The Settings: Where and When the Story Takes Place
It is important for readers to ask and answer questions. "Right there" questions can be answered with "yes" or "no" or with very few words. "Think and Search" questions require you to think and answer the questions with details supported by the text. Write five "right there" and five "think and search" questions about the story and answer each of them on lined paper.

"Right There" Questions

1
2
3
4
5

"Think & Search" Questions

1
2
3
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Name: ________________________________
Title: ___________________________________  

WORDS IN THE STORY

Good authors strive to make strong word choices when writing a text. Read through your book and collect examples of excellent vocabulary words the author used.

A  

B  

C  

D  

E  

F  

G  

H  

I  

J  

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Write new sentences using the words you selected from the story. Use as many of the words as you can by incorporating more than one in each sentence. Circle each word you used.

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2. 

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4. 

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6. 

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DESIGN NEW BOOK PACKAGING

Design a new cover for the story by illustrating the cover below. Write a summary of the story that could be used on the back of the book to make people want to buy it.

Book Summary