

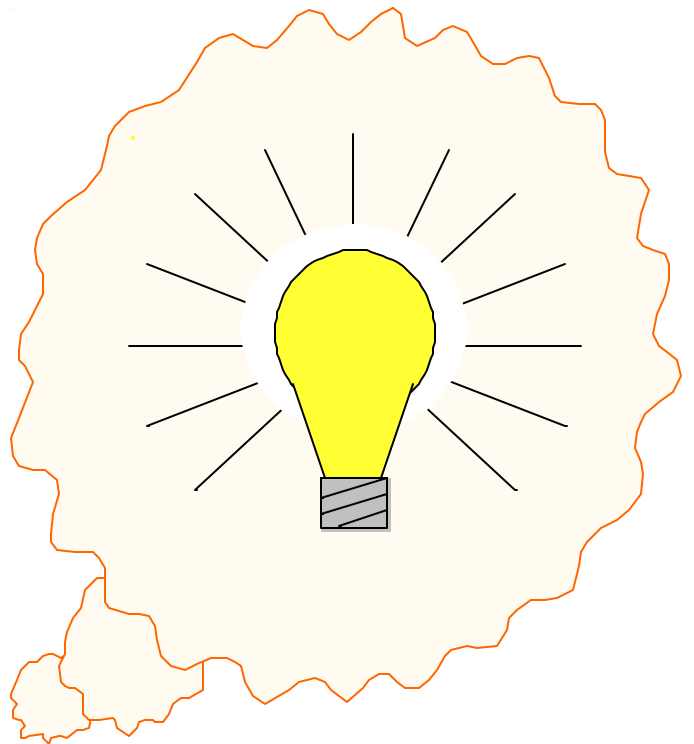


True Story of the Three Little Pigs

Summary of Story

this section will include the author/illustrator of the book, a brief summary of the book in two sentences, and a brief statement of the plot, characters, theme and illustrations.

This will probably fill most of the first page! Add pictures as needed to fill white space!



Thinking Critically

Pre-reading Activities

This is the section that describes the various activities that you will do with the students to get them thinking about reading the book. First, you will want to write three to four sentences about the how you will introduce the book to the students, such as a brief introduction to the main character or the meaning of a word that might be used throughout the book. Next, you will write the questions you would ask that have the students make predictions about the book. These questions would include asking students to predict what is happening/going to happen based upon the book cover or jacket, the chapter titles, the opening pictures, and the dedication.

Reading Activities

This is the section that will hold the questions that you will ask students so that they will begin thinking critically about the literature. For a picture book, this will include 6-8 questions. For a chapter book, you will be creating 3-5 questions per chapter for a maximum of 30 per book.

You will begin with phrase questions to invite responses:

- * What are some ways....?
- * What clues does the author give to.....?

Next, you will write some phrase questions that ask for evidence:

- * How can you tell....?
- * How do you know?
- * Why do you think.....?

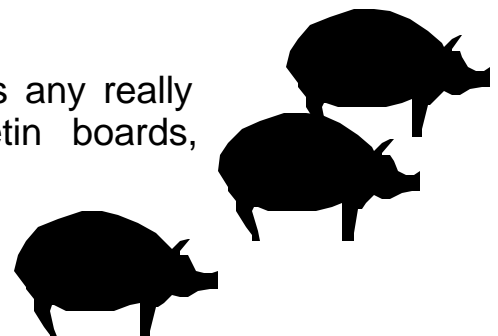
Post-reading Activities

This is the section that will hold the questions that you will ask the students so that they demonstrate comprehension of the story line. Write questions here that allow students to demonstrate that they have understood the plot, characters, and setting. You might want to use a culminating activity here to allow the students to demonstrate comprehension. For example, you could have students do the following:

- * Fold a piece of paper in half three times.
- * Unfold the paper

Bulletin Board Ideas

You might want to include a section that describes any really wonderful ideas you have about creating bulletin boards, especially using the writing of the students.



Writing Activity

Describe in this section the writing activity that you want students to do that help them relate the story (characters, plot, and setting) to other books they have read or their own experiences. A good idea would be to direct the students to a particular part of the story line and have them react to that part. Suggestions for this include:



- * Have students assume the role of one of the characters and have them respond as if they were that character
- * Have students describe how the story would be different in a different setting
- * Have students write a new ending to the story

Art Activity

This is the section where you will write up the directions for a hands-on art activity that your students could do to illustrate the story or that would be related to the story in some manner.



Discussion Activity

This is an ideal place to put an inspiration contrast and comparison activity. Include topics that you would wish to include in your class discussion, then write up the directions for the activity here, and then include an inspiration graph as the picture.

Math/Social Studies/Science connections

You may want to write up ways that you see making cross-curriculum connections and include any examples or problem solving that you feel would be relevant. You may also want to include a short list of relevant websites if you have found some.



Related Websites

PBS Nova website on wolves:

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/wolves>

Jan Scieszka's homepage:

<http://www.chucklebait.com/bio.htm>



Other things to include:

You might want to include a section about the author so that you will have the information at your fingertips and you won't have to go look this up each time you decide to teach this book. There is good information available from book vendors such as amazon.com. This information can be copied from the web and pasted here for your use. Be sure to copy the URL and paste it in so you will know where you got the information in case you need to return to the website.