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| identify the main idea of a selection | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| identify the mood of a selection | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| identify the problem in a selection | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| identify the reader's purpose for reading selection | | | | | | • | • | • |
| identify the solution in a selection | | | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| identify the subject of a selection | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| identify the topic sentence | | | | • | • | • | • | • |
| identify the viewpoint from which a text is written | | | | • | • | • | • | • |
| make inferences about a selection | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| make predictions from selection content | | | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| recognize characters in a selection | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| recognize hyperboles | | | | | | | | • |
| recognize plot in a selection | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| recognize setting in a selection | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| recognize words with multiple meanings | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| relate new information to prior knowledge | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| reread a selection if the meaning is not clear | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| skim through a selection for information | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| summarize selection content | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| understand that reading is a process of seeking meaning | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| use a dictionary to understand unknown words | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| use information in text to draw conclusions | | | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| use self-monitoring and self-correcting strategies | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| visualize a selection | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| write a title using correct punctuation and capitalization | • | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |
| write a title using correct spelling | | • | • | • | • | • | • | • |

Grade 1: Week Eleven

Title

A hummingbird is a very tiny bird. It can fly like a helicopter. A hummingbird is the only bird that can fly forward, backward, sideways, and up and down. It can even hover over a flower or above a bird feeder while it sips nectar. When a hummingbird flies, its wings move very fast. It is sometimes hard to see the wings because they are moving so fast.

Monday – Listen and follow along as your teacher reads the selection.

1. This selection is about _____.
2. At the top of this page, write a title for the selection.

Tuesday – Read the selection with your teacher.

3. The author wrote this selection to _____. explain entertain
4. This selection is fiction. nonfiction. (Circle one.)

Wednesday – Read the selection with your teacher.

5. A synonym for small found in the selection is _____.
6. What does the word hover mean in this selection?
 fly in one spot fly very fast

Thursday – Read the selection to yourself.

7. A hummingbird can only fly forward.
 True False
8. The wings of a hummingbird move very _____.

Friday – Read the selection to a friend.

9. Highlight 4-5 key words in the selection. _____
10. Work with your teacher to write a 2-3 sentence summary of the selection using your highlighted key words. You don't need to use all of your key words. Be sure to use correct capitalization and punctuation. _____

Grade 2: Week Thirteen

Title

The elephant is the largest four-footed animal on earth, but it can walk as quietly as a mouse. It has very large ears to fan itself when it gets too hot. An elephant has a very odd nose. It is the only animal that has one or two fingers on the end of its nose. An elephant can use its finger to gently pick up a peanut and not break the shell. Its nose is also strong enough to pull down a tree. The elephant can also give itself a shower by filling its nose with water and spraying its body. An elephant has some very useful body parts.

Monday

1. This selection is about _____.
2. At the top of this page, write a title for the selection.
3. The author wrote this selection to _____. describe persuade
4. This selection is fiction. nonfiction. (Circle one.)

Tuesday

5. An antonym for weak found in this selection is _____.
6. What does the word useful mean in this selection?
 valuable helpful
7. The word odd means _____.

Wednesday

8. An elephant is the biggest animal of any kind in the world. True False
 9. This selection tells _____. facts opinions
 10. Name one thing that you already knew about an elephant. _____
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Thursday

11. The main idea of this selection is that
 an elephant has a long nose.
 an elephant has body parts that are very useful.

Friday

12. Highlight 4-5 key words in the selection. Write a 2-3 sentence summary of the selection using your highlighted key words. You don't need to use all of your key words. Be sure to use correct spelling and punctuation. _____
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Grade 3: Week Ten

Title

The Land of Oz is not the only place where you will find a scarecrow. The Scarecrow Invasion takes place in Meaford, Ontario, each October. Ontario is in Canada. More than 2,100 scarecrows are displayed all around the town. They sit on street corners, lean against road signs, perch on benches, and even hang from streetlights. There are serious-looking scarecrows and funny-looking scarecrows. There is even a parade in which people dress up as the straw-stuffed characters.

The town began holding the Scarecrow Invasion several years ago. The townspeople had wanted to break a world record for the most scarecrows displayed at one time. The stuffed creations stay around town for about two weeks and are enjoyed by many unstuffed people.

Monday

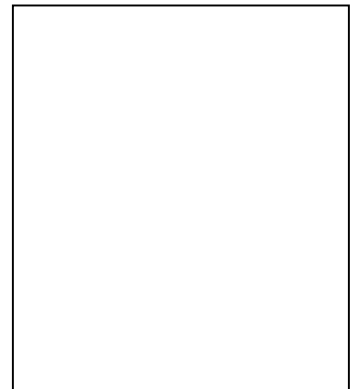
1. This selection is about _____.
2. At the top of this page, write a title for the selection.
3. The author wrote this selection to _____. inform teach
4. This selection is fiction. nonfiction. (Circle one.)

Tuesday

5. A synonym for the words put on view in the selection is _____.
6. What does the word invasion mean in this selection?
 an attack everywhere
7. Circle the four verbs that describe how the scarecrows are displayed around the town.

Wednesday

8. The scarecrows are displayed in one part of the town. True False
9. The selection doesn't say, but it must take a lot of _____
to make the scarecrows. money straw
10. Draw a scarecrow that you would _____ →
make for the Scarecrow Invasion.



Thursday

11. The main idea of this selection is that
 a town in Canada has a Scarecrow Invasion every year.
 there are many scarecrows in Canada.

Friday

12. Highlight 5-6 key words in the selection. Write a 2-3 sentence summary of the selection using your highlighted key words. You don't have to use all of your key words. Be sure to use correct spelling and punctuation. _____

Grade 4: Week Three

Title

Chinese Rummy is a card game that is both fun and frustrating. Using a normal deck of 52 cards plus the jokers for every two people, partners compete against other partners to try to get the fewest points. Eleven cards are dealt to each person. Play starts when the person to the left of the dealer draws a card from the pile. Ten rounds of play, with increasingly difficult requirements for each round, make up the game. The game begins at round one with each person required to obtain two sets of three cards. The game ends at round ten with the requirement for three runs of five cards. Players are able to “buy” cards in order to obtain the number of cards needed for each round. Points are added to the opposing team’s score when one player goes out and other players are left holding cards. The team with the fewest points wins the game.

Monday

1. Read the selection carefully. The subject of this selection is _____.
2. At the top of this page, write a title for this selection.
3. The author’s purpose in writing this selection is to _____. teach entertain
4. The genre of this selection is _____.

Tuesday

5. An antonym for the word easy in the selection is _____.
6. What does the word requirements mean in this selection?
 needs things done to make ready series
7. Write the base word for each selection word.
increasingly _____ holding _____

Wednesday

8. Each round is harder to complete than the one before it. True False
9. The selection doesn’t say, but this game is best if played with at least ____ people.
 four six eight
10. It would be impossible to play this game using only the above directions because _____.

Thursday

11. The first sentence gives _____ facts. _____ an opinion. (Circle one)
12. Number these steps in the correct order: _____ Add up total points _____ Shuffle cards
_____ Deal 11 cards to each player _____ Play round one

Friday

13. Highlight 5-6 key words in the selection. Write a 3-4 sentence summary of the selection using your key words. It is not necessary to use all of your key words. Be sure to use correct spelling and punctuation. _____
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Grade 5: Week Fifteen

Title _____

Dear Heather,

I'm so excited about a play I attended last weekend at a new theater in my town. I saw the play *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. It was written by William Shakespeare and performed by the Shakespeare Players. Even though I didn't understand all of the dialogue, the acting was absolutely fantastic! There wasn't much scenery, but the costumes were great. Although there were only eight actors, some of them played several parts. The theater wasn't immense, so we sat very close to the stage and could almost reach out and touch the characters. The play was several hours long, but the time just flew by because there was so much action to watch. You really need to go to see this play. Call me, and I'll tell you more about it.

Your friend,
Kari

Monday

1. Read the selection carefully. The subject of this selection is _____. 2. At the top of this page, write a title for this selection.
3. The author's purpose in writing this selection is to _____.
4. The genre of this selection is _____.

Tuesday

5. Circle the contractions in this selection.
6. What does the word dialogue mean in this selection? discussion spoken words
7. An antonym for little found in the selection is _____.

Wednesday

8. Kari enjoyed the play and wanted to recommend it to her friend.
 True False
9. The selection doesn't say, but Kari had probably _____ a Shakespeare play before.
 never seen seen acted in
10. This selection contains facts. opinions. both facts and opinions.

Thursday

11. From whose viewpoint is this selection written? _____
This viewpoint is presented directly. inferred.
12. Make a chart graphic organizer showing the good points and bad points that Kari mentions about seeing this play.

Friday

13. Highlight 5-6 key words in the selection. Write a 3-4 sentence summary of the selection using your key words. It is not necessary to use all of your key words. Be sure to use correct spelling and punctuation. _____

Grade 6: Week Twelve

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| The dirt path is a ribbon, That slides along the ground. The mountain is the package That the pathway wraps around. The trees that dot the mountainside Are standing straight and tall As if to lead me further Outside my own safe wall. | | I opened up this present And saw riches everywhere. I viewed the scenic vistas With beauty beyond compare. Along this nameless highway With its gifts that Nature tends, I found the simple things in life And treasures without end. |

Monday

1. Read the selection carefully. The subject of this selection is _____.
2. At the top of this page, write a title for this selection.
3. The author's purpose in writing this selection is to _____.
4. My purpose in reading this selection is to _____.
5. The genre of this selection is _____.

Tuesday

6. What is the meaning of vistas in this selection? _____
7. What does the word dot mean in this selection?
 a speck mark particle
8. The word wall in this selection refers to the _____.
9. A synonym for unknown found in the story is _____.

Wednesday

10. The writer is on a well-traveled path. True False
11. This selection is written in the _____ person point of view.
12. The mood in this selection is _____.
13. The setting of this selection is _____.

Thursday

14. The path in this selection might also stand for the author's _____.
15. Underline the parts of the selection that are metaphors. Be ready to discuss them.

Friday

16. Highlight 5-6 key words in the selection. Write a 3-4 sentence summary of the selection using your key words. It is not necessary to use all of your key words. Be sure to use correct spelling and punctuation. _____

Grade 7: Week Four

Title

As I look down at the newly planted fields and sparse treetops, I think back to how this venture in my life almost didn't happen. Becoming a pilot and having the freedom that the sky offers is something that I had always wanted to do. At just four years old, I remember gazing up at the clouds and seeing the flash of silver as an airplane made those white vapor trails across the blue. That was my dream.

I began taking flying lessons on my thirteenth birthday. The lessons were a present from my parents and grandparents. Life was good!

Then during my second year of training, I was hit by a drunk driver while riding my bike, and I spent two months recovering in the hospital. The doctors weren't sure if I would ever walk again. To me, walking was not going to be my quest. I wanted to be able to fly again. I kept that thought with me throughout my rehabilitation and the months of hard work.

Finally, my perseverance came to fulfillment when I was able to get back in the cockpit. I finished my lessons and made my first solo flight. Life was good again!

Today, I might not be able to walk five miles or win any running races, but I can fly.

Monday – Read the selection carefully.

1. The subject of this selection is _____.
2. On the line at the top of this page, write a title for this selection.
3. The author's purpose in writing this selection is to _____.
4. My purpose in reading this selection is to _____.
5. The genre of this selection is _____.

Tuesday – Read the selection carefully.

6. A synonym for therapy is _____.
7. What does the word quest mean in this story? hunt mission
8. The word perseverance means _____.
9. A word that means final result or completion is _____.

Wednesday – Read the selection carefully.

10. The author has no difficulty walking or running at the time of this flight. True False
11. The selection doesn't say, but the author is flying his plane in the _____.
 winter spring
12. From the selection, I can infer that the author has difficulty _____.
13. This selection is an example of _____ writing. persuasive narrative

Thursday – Read the selection carefully.

14. Make a character web about the author of this selection. (Include at least 5 details.)

Friday – Read the selection carefully.

15. Highlight 5-6 key words in the selection. Write a 3-4 sentence summary of the selection using your key words. It is not necessary to use all of your key words. Be sure to use correct spelling and punctuation. _____

Grade 8: Week Thirty

Title

This selection is excerpted from a 1963 article about the reason for a democratic government.

Is democratic government realistic? The antidemocrats charge that man is irrational and selfish, hence incapable of governing himself. But because men are *not always* rational, it does not follow that they are *never* rational. The use of reason is still the best method for arriving at the truth, and the truth is still the best basis for action. And if men are selfish, if human nature is so bad, that is all the more reason for not trusting any one man or single group of men with irresponsible power. It is all the more reason for preserving democratic government, which prevents any narrow clique from monopolizing power. "Sometimes it is said that man cannot be trusted with the government of himself," Jefferson once said. "Can he, then, be trusted with the government of others?" Democratic government, moreover, is best designed to bring out the rational and the good in man.

Democratic government is not perfect in America or anywhere else. But defense of democratic government does not require proof of its perfection. Sir Winston Churchill, a former British prime minister and a member of aristocratic circles, summed it all up when he said, "Democracy is the worst form of government except for any other that has ever been tried."

Monday - Read the selection carefully.

1. The subject of this selection is _____.
2. At the top of this page, write a title for this selection.
3. The author's purpose in writing this selection is to _____.
4. My purpose in reading this selection is to _____.
5. The genre of this selection is _____.

Tuesday – Read the selection carefully.

6. The word democratic in this selection means a political party. a form of government.
7. Circle the prefix in these selection words. Write their meanings. irresponsible _____
antidemocrats _____ incapable _____ preserving _____
8. A synonym for previous in the selection is _____.
9. Rational in this selection means _____.

Wednesday – Read the selection carefully.

10. According to the selection, why should man not be allowed to govern himself? _____
 11. I can infer from the selection that
 the author is unsure if a democratic form of government would work.
 the author believes in a democratic form of government.
 12. This selection is an example of which type of writing? _____
 13. What was Churchill's attitude toward democracy? _____
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Thursday – Read the selection carefully.

14. What problems mentioned in the selection impact us in our democratic society today? _____
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Friday – Read the selection carefully.

15. Highlight 5-6 key words in the selection. Write a 3-4 sentence summary of the selection using your key words. It is not necessary to use all of your key words. Be sure to use correct spelling and punctuation. _____
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