

**EXPLORING THE CLASSROOM LIBRARY
ONE OR TWO-CHAPTER INTRODUCTIONS**

For these assignments, you will need a piece of paper and your reading binder as well as the book listed below. After you read two chapters of the story below, you are going to be able to complete the assignment in the box.

BECAUSE OF WINN-DIXIE BY KATE DICAMILLO

After reading chapter one... answer these questions-

1. How did Opal and Winn-Dixie meet?
2. Why did Opal think that Winn-Dixie did not have an owner?

After reading chapter two... answer these questions-

3. Why did Opal and her father move to Naomi, Florida?
4. Do you think that Opal feels close to her father? Explain why or why not.
5. How does The Preacher react to Winn-Dixie the first time they meet? How does Winn-Dixie win over The Preacher?

THOUGHT QUESTION:

6. If you were in Opal's situation, would you have done the same thing and had brought Winn-Dixie home? Explain your reasoning.

BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA BY KATHERINE PATERSON

After reading chapter one... answer these questions-

1. Why has Jess gotten up early every morning during the summer?
2. Why does Jess like May Belle?
3. Why would Jess prefer that May Belle tell their father about how well he runs?

Find two of these vocabulary words and write them in a sentence with the word underlined:

- soothingly
- whined
- primly
- discarded
- deadweight

After reading chapter two... answer these questions-

4. How do you know that Jess enjoys drawing?
5. How did Jess' father react when his son told him that he wanted to be an artist?
6. What was Jess' first reaction when he met Leslie Burke?

THE WESTING GAME BY ELLEN RASKIN

After reading chapter one... answer these questions-

1. **What was unusual about Sunset Towers?**
2. **What was unusual about Barney Northrup?**
3. **Where was Sydelle Pulaski directing a suspicious stare?**

Find two of these vocabulary words from the chapter and write out the sentence you find them in with the word underlined:

- tenants
- exclusive
- chandeliers
- alcove
- warped

After reading chapter two... answer these questions below:

4. **Describe Otis Amber.**
5. **Who was Sandy McSouthers?**
6. **What does Chris notice through his binoculars?**

THE WHIPPING BOY BY SID FLEISCHMANN

After reading chapter one... answer these questions-

1. **What is a whipping boy? Explain.**
2. **What does the word common boy mean?**
3. **Describe the prince's misbehavior at the grand feast.**
4. **What is a whipping boy?**

Find three of these vocabulary words from the chapter and write out the sentence you find them in with the word underlined:

- scalped
- forbidden
- thrash
- carefree
- defiantly
- humbled
- contrite
- exasperation
- obliged
- bellow

HOLES BY LOUIS SACHAR

After reading chapter one... answer these questions below:

1. Explain the irony in the name Camp Green Lake.
2. Why will campers sometimes permit themselves to be bitten by a rattlesnake or a scorpion?
3. What is the significance of the phrase, "The Warden owns the shade"?
4. Why does the narrator suggest that if someone is bitten by a yellow-spotted lizard they might as well lie in the hammock.
5. Why did Camp Green Lake always manage to find campers despite the appalling conditions?
6. What choices did the judge give Stanley?

HATCHET BY GARY PAULSEN

After reading chapter one... answer these questions below:

1. Describe the setting at the beginning of the story.
2. How old is Brian Robeson?
3. Why is Brian unable to carry on a conversation with the pilot?
4. With what single word did his thinking always begin?
5. What was "The Secret"?
6. What has Brian's father designed or invented?
7. Where is his father presently working?
8. Explain how chapter one ends.

JULIE OF THE WOLVES BY JEAN CRAIGHEAD GEORGE

After reading chapter one, answer these questions below:

1. How did Miyax's father die?
2. How did you know by reading that the black wolf was the leader of the pack?
3. From whom had Miyax learned patience with the ways of nature?
4. Where had Miyax been living?
5. Why had Miyax chosen San Francisco as her destination?
6. Explain how the fox was different from the wolf.
7. Why did Miyax name the black pup Kapu?
8. Explain how Miyax was accepted into the pack.