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# International Children's Book Day

PreK–6<sup>th</sup>

Grade Range

## What Does This Pack Include?

This pack has been created by teachers, for teachers. In it you'll find high quality teaching resources to help you and your students find out more information about some famous authors and most importantly, celebrate a lifelong passion for reading.

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### FACT SHEETS:

**Pre-K – Grade 5**

Discover the history behind International Children's Book Day.

### CRITICAL THINKING QUESTIONS:

**Pre-K – Grade 5**

Can your students guess who the characters have dressed up as?

**Pre-K – Grade 5**

Ask your students to identify the books Manu, Klara and Stig are reading.

### ACTIVITY BOOK:

**Pre-K – Grade 5**

Use this Activity Book to support your students with planning, writing and reviewing their own story.

### REFERENCE SHEETS

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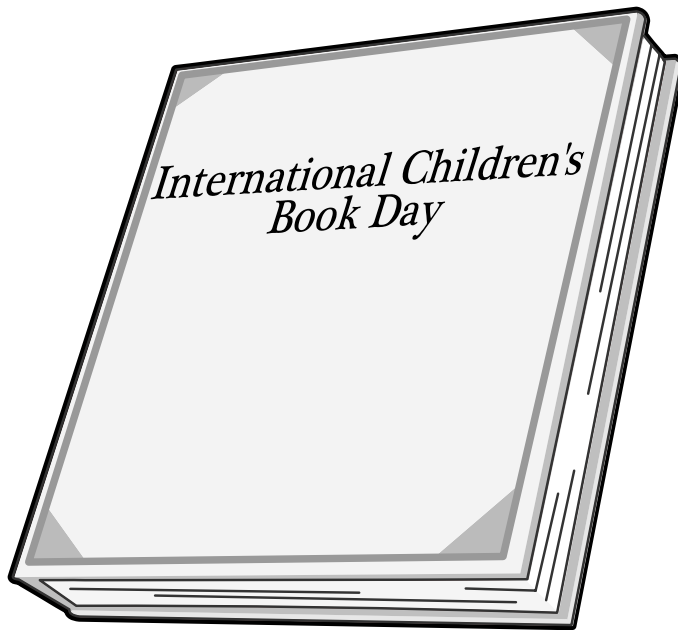
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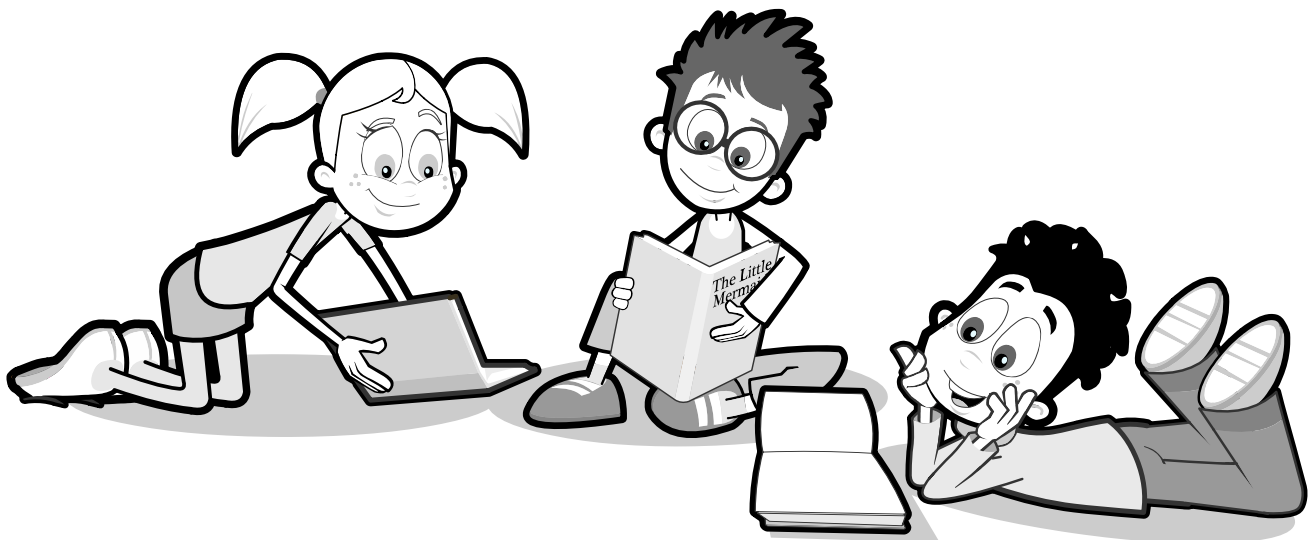
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- International Children's Book Day is celebrated on or near April 2<sup>nd</sup> each year, which is also Hans Christian Andersen's birthday.
  - Andersen was born in Denmark in 1805 and became famous for his fairy tales. In total, he wrote more than 150 of them.
  - Andersen's work is beloved by children around the globe. His tales have been translated into over 150 languages.
  - International Children's Book Day is called ICBD for short.
- ICBD has been celebrated since 1967, to inspire a love of reading and to call attention to children's books.
  - Each year, ICBD is sponsored by a different country.
  - In 2013, the United States was the sponsor and the theme was "Bookjoy around the World."



## It's International Children's Book Day!

Can you guess who the characters  
have dressed up as?





The illustration shows four children standing on a checkered floor in front of a bookshelf. From left to right: a boy dressed as Robin Hood in a green tunic and hat with a red feather, holding a bow; a girl dressed as Dorothy in a blue and white checkered dress and red shoes, holding a basket with a small dog; a boy dressed as Paddington Bear in a blue coat and red hat, holding a brown suitcase with 'P.B.' on it and a jar of marmalade; and a boy dressed as Willy Wonka in a purple coat and hat, holding a cane. Below each child is a label in a blue box: 'Robin Hood', 'Dorothy', 'Paddington Bear', and 'Willy Wonka'.

Robin Hood

Dorothy

Paddington Bear

Willy Wonka

**What character would you want to dress up as?**

Can you identify what genre of books  
Manu, Klara, and Stig enjoy reading?





I like reading fairy tales.

I enjoy reading adventure books.

My favorite genre is nonfiction. I like information books.

**What genre of book would you buy at the bookstore?**



Draw a picture of the setting.



Describe the setting.

[illegible]





Rewrite the book or story as a comic strip.

The comic strip template consists of six rectangular panels arranged in three rows. The top row has two panels of equal width. The middle row has three panels of equal width. The bottom row has two panels of equal width. A speech bubble is positioned above the top-left panel. A cloud-shaped thought bubble is positioned between the middle-left and middle-middle panels. A speech bubble is positioned below the bottom-left panel.



Write a blurb for the book or story.

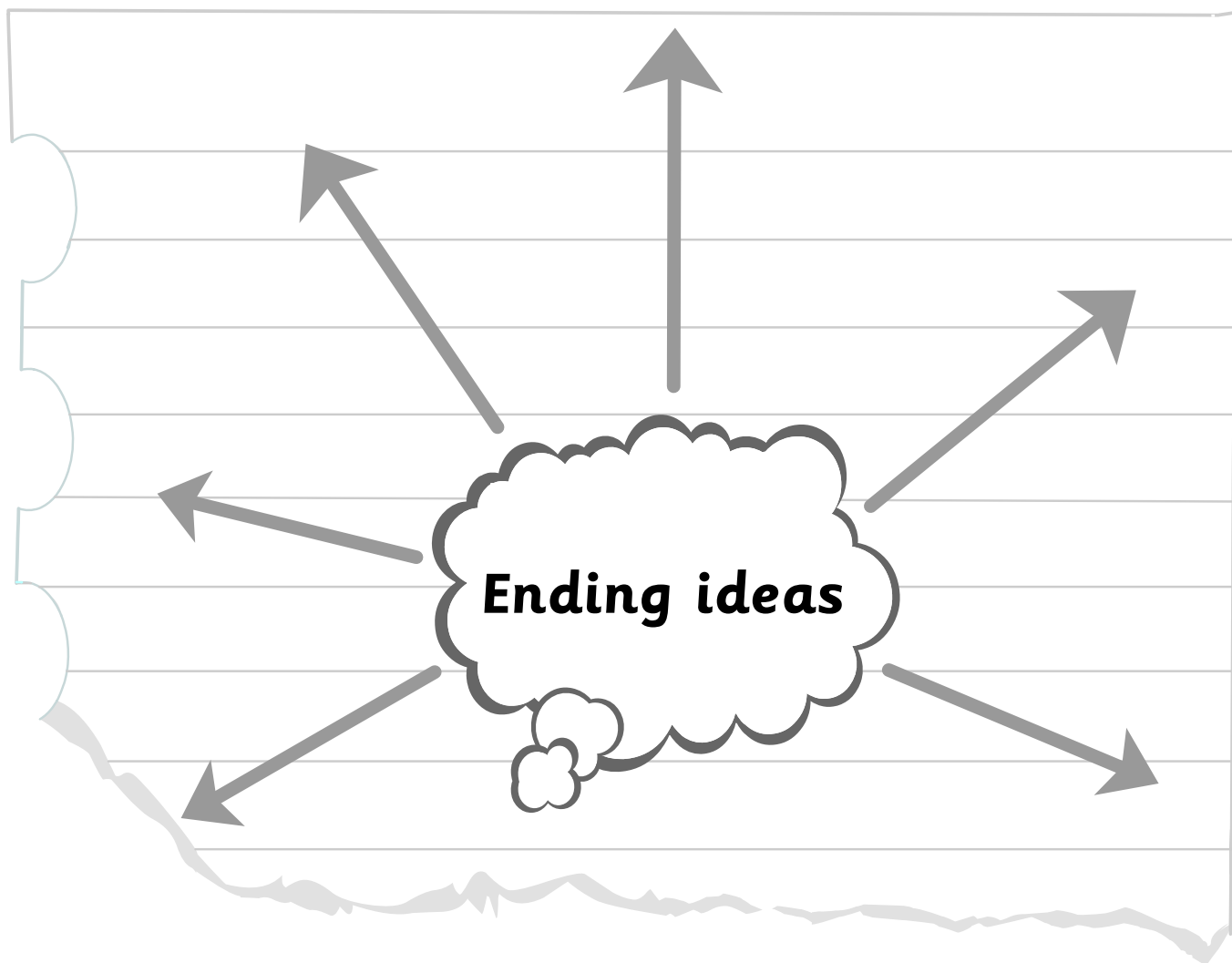
A blurb is a short summary  
of what happens in the book or story.

Can you use any quotes from  
the book or story in your blurb?

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Write an alternative ending for the book or story. Use the organizer below to brainstorm ideas.



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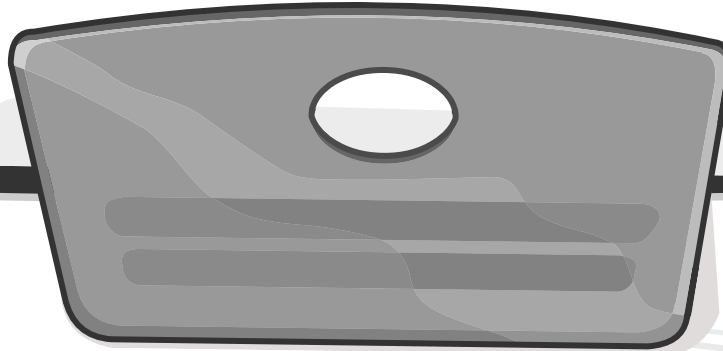
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Describe a character from the book or story.



Who I am:

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What I look like:

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Where I can be found:

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What I do:

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What I like:

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Write a review of the book or story. Cut along the lines, complete the sections, and fold to create a review booklet.

Opinion and Rating:



Genre:

Setting:

Characters:

Book title:

Author:

Plot:



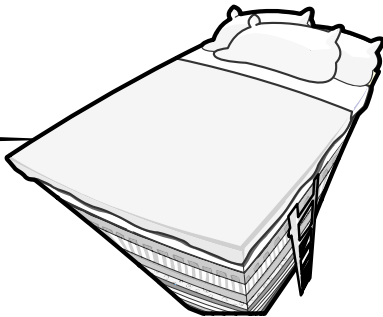
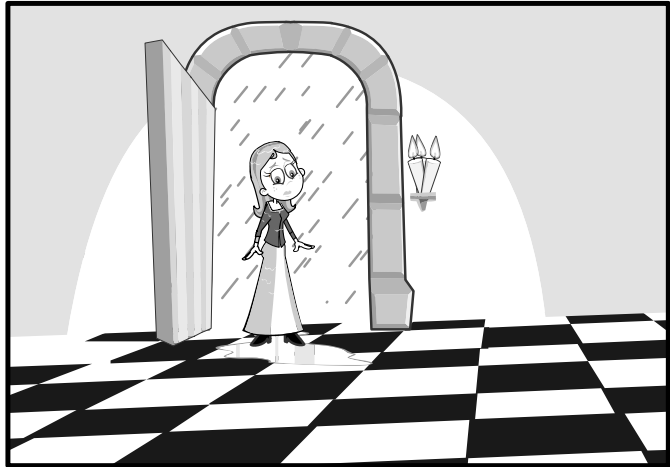


## The Princess and the Pea



**Q**UONCE upon a time, a prince looked for a real princess to marry. He could not find one. One stormy night, there was a knock on the castle door. A woman stood at the door. She said she was a real princess. She did not look like a princess. She was wet from the rain.

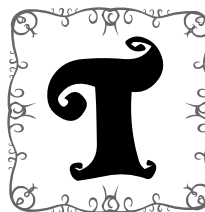
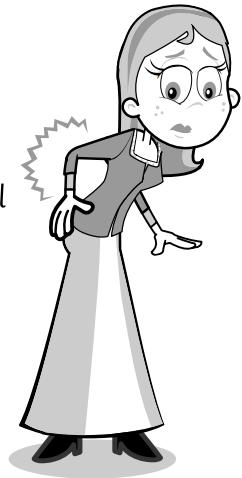
The Queen invited the princess inside to spend the night. The Queen said, "I'll see if she is a real princess."



The Queen put a pea under 20 mattresses. Then she laid 20 feather beds on top of the mattresses. In the morning, the Queen asked the princess how she had slept.

"I did not sleep," said the princess. "There was a lump in my bed. It felt like a rock."

The Queen and the prince were happy. Only a real princess would feel a pea under 20 mattresses. The prince and the princess were soon married. They lived happily ever after.



**T**he end



## Recommended Books Reference Sheet

**The Very Hungry Caterpillar** Eric Carle

**Where the Wild Things Are** Maurice Sendak

**Green Eggs and Ham** Dr. Seuss

**Fantastic Mr. Fox** Roald Dahl

**Are You My Mother?** P.D. Eastman

**Goodnight Moon** Margaret Wise Brown

**The Great Kapok Tree** Lynne Cherry

**Moonshot: The Flight of Apollo 11** Brian Floca

**The Magic School Bus Explores the Senses** Joanna Cole

**Alice's Adventures in Wonderland** Lewis Carroll

**The Black Stallion** Walter Farley

**Bud, Not Buddy** Christopher Paul Curtis

**Horses** Seymour Simon

**I Am Harriet Tubman** Grace Norwich

**In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson** Betty Bao Lord

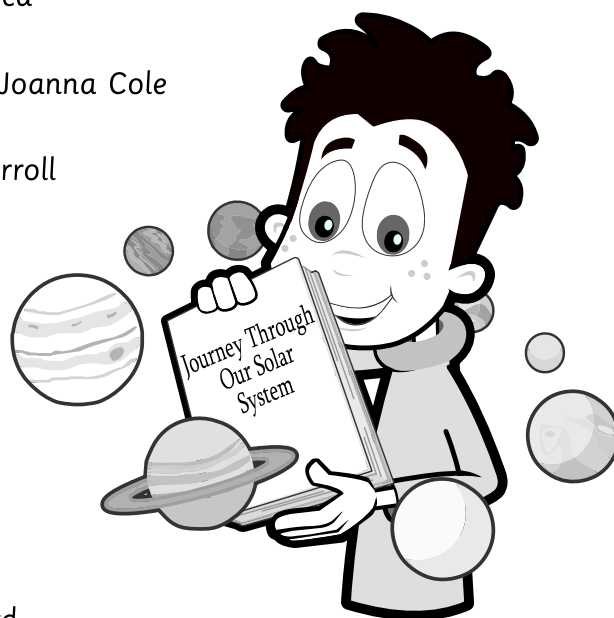
**Journey Through Our Solar System** Dr. Mae Jemison & Dana Meachen Rau

**Shiloh** Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

**The Tale of Despereaux** Kate DiCamillo

**Toys!: Amazing Stories Behind Some Great Inventions** Don Wulffson

**Tuck Everlasting** Natalie Babbitt





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