

This Week's Assignments

For the ninth week in Reading, we will be introducing and studying the skill of making inferences using a story called *Tanya's Reunion* and various other texts. Making inferences means the students should be able to make an educated guess using the text combined with their prior knowledge of any given situation.

Please remember that students are expected to read 20 minutes each night and the adult that supervised this reading is to sign off on their AR log folder. An incentive will be given during AR time on Fridays for those that have done their homework each night of the week. A brief summary will continue to be expected each night for a homework grade. This is completed on a sheet that contains small boxes. They are to complete one box per night. This paper should last at least two weeks. **If your child loses their paper they can do this on notebook paper.** Not having the paper will not get them out of the work. Please make sure your child is doing this each night!

Spelling homework is also assigned each night. Your child has a "Choices" sheet containing twenty choices of ways they can complete this assignment. They are to complete one per night.

Weekly spelling and vocabulary words also need to be studied for quizzes at the end of the week. These lists of words will be given at the beginning of each week and quizzes will be on Fridays!

Ways to help your child at home!

Review the following vocabulary words with your child:

- o arrangements
- o gathering
- o great-uncle
- o homestead
- o persisted
- o pitches in
- o reunion
- o satisfaction

Ask your child what they think a character is feeling based on what they are saying and doing. How do they know this?

This Week's Highlights

Monday – 10/26

Introducing making inferences, vocabulary and background on the story *Tanya's Reunion*

Tuesday – 10/27

Making Inferences chart using Leveled Readers

Wednesday – 10/28

Book Club Discussions using assigned roles

Thursday – 10/29

Continuing Book Clubs and responding to discussions and reinforcing sequencing

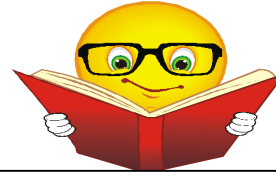
Friday – 10/30

Spelling test, vocabulary quiz, reinforcement

Upcoming Events

Reading Benchmarks- November 2nd and 3rd

First Marking Period ends- November 4th



Check out these websites!

These websites will reinforce skills that are being taught in class:

Making Inferences

<http://www.studyzone.org/testprep/ela4/o/makininference.cfm>

Making Inferences Video and practice

<http://www.brainpopjr.com/reading/comprehension/makeinferences/>

Ms. Hemstreet's Wikispace

Hemstreet.wicomico.wikispaces.net

Spelling Games and Practice –

<http://www.spellingcity.com>