

ELABORATE and EXPRESS ACTIVITES

Written Activities



1. Contrast and compare.
2. Copy a Bible passage.
3. Copy a paragraph.
4. Create a monologue.
5. Create an outline.
6. Define vocabulary words.
7. Complete a biography sketch/book report/chapter review.
8. Make a list of character traits about a person you are learning about.
9. Read two books on the same subject and compare and contrast them.
10. Write a chapter review.
11. Write a journal entry.
12. Write a letter to an historical person.
13. Write a letter to the author.
14. Write a scene.
15. Write a short story.
16. Rewrite passage into poetry.
17. Write a summary in your own words.
18. Write a chapter synopsis.
19. Write about what you learned.
20. Write an original song.
21. Write the plot of the story as if it were a story on the evening news.
22. If you were giving a test on this reading, what are three questions you would ask?
23. Write a letter (or e-mail) to a relative about the reading you did today.
24. Make bookmarks with appropriate shapes. Choose wise sayings from the book to write on them.
25. Make a word search or crossword puzzle.
26. Make a newspaper. Include events that could have occurred and when and where the story took place.
27. Write a limerick about a favorite character.
28. What can you learn from this story/book/passage? Write about it. Is there an action in this passage to avoid? Write about it.
29. Is there an attitude in this passage that we should develop? Write about it.

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Oral Activities



1. Answer questions.
2. Conduct an interview.
3. Expand your research.
4. Interview a character.
5. Prepare an oral report.
6. Read aloud to a parent or siblings.
7. Read two books on the same subject and compare and contrast them.
8. Tell five things you learned.
9. Narrate into an audio recorder.
10. Think about another story or event that reminds you of what you just read about. Tell about it.
11. If you were giving a test on this reading, what are three questions you would ask?
12. Retell the story to a group of younger children.
13. In your own words, rewrite the chapter or passage.
14. What can you learn from this story/book/passage?
15. Is there an action in this passage to avoid? Tell about it.
16. Is there an attitude in this passage that we should develop? Tell about it.
17. Describe what happened because of a person's action or reaction.
18. Describe what happened as a result of...[insert relevant event or happening in passage]
19. What do you think about...[insert relevant passage]?
20. What do you see as the main point of this passage?
21. Tell me about the location or describe the geographical setting?
22. How do you feel after reading and studying this passage?

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Creative drawing and building activities



1. Construct puppets and present a show.
2. Copy illustrations or illustrate the reading.
3. Create a display using your computer (power point, digital scrapbook, notebook pages, web page, blog, etc).
4. Create a postcard from the region you read about.
5. Create a diorama. Make a mobile. Make a salt-dough map.
6. Create a mini-comic book. Make a poster.
7. Design costumes for dolls, like clothes worn during the time you are reading about.
8. Find and appreciate art relevant to your reading.
9. Illustrate a story using your favorite medium (colored pencils, chalk, paint, etc.).
10. Make a children's book.
11. Make a collage. Make a model.
12. Make a game.
13. Make a map.
14. Make a travel brochure.
15. Make a book jacket depicting the characters, setting, and theme of this passage or study. File it in your notebook.
16. Construct a jigsaw puzzle based on the book.
17. Design a coloring book around the characters and events.
18. Make bookmarks with appropriate shapes. Choose wise sayings from the book to write on them.
19. Make a wanted poster for an appropriate character.
20. Make a family tree.
21. Construct a scene from your reading from Lego blocks and toys.
22. Prepare a meal similar to the times you are reading about in your studies.

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Creative Drama Activities



1. Be a TV or radio reporter and give a report.
2. Construct puppets and present a show.
3. Interview a character.
4. Perform in costume.
5. Make a home movie. (Get all your siblings involved and be director. Ask to use the video camera first!)
6. Broadcast a book review.
7. Tell the story to musical accompaniment that suits the mood of the book.
8. Compose a musical piece that fits with the story/book.
9. Create a game show based on the passage or book.
10. Make new lyrics to a familiar tune to tell about your story in song.
11. Discuss special effects you would have if this book/story was made into a movie.
12. Act out [appropriately] your feelings after reading this passage.
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