

Thursday 7th May 2020

LO: To infer meaning from a text

READ AND LISTEN TO the next part of *Charlotte's Web* (Chapters 8-9 pp.52-65).

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Task (with links):

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- Why are good friendships important and how do they improve our lives?
- Have you ever been in a situation when you really needed a friend? Was someone there for you? What did they do?
- Have you been there for someone who needed a good friend? What did you do?

Task 2: Use inference to show understanding of Wilbur and Charlotte's developing friendship.

Success Criteria:

1. Read chapter 9 again.
2. As you read, choose <u>five quotations</u> from the chapter that tell us something about the friendship between Wilbur and Charlotte.
3. Write out each quotation.
4. Write a sentence underneath each quotation to explain what it tells us.

Examples:

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Year 4 Writing

Steppingstone activity



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Task 2: Use inference to show understanding of Wilbur and Charlotte's developing friendship.

Success Criteria:

1. Read the quotations listed below from chapter 9.
2. Think about what each one tells us about the friendship between Wilbur and Charlotte.
3. Write a sentence for each one to explain what you think it tells us.
4. Use the word bank to help you generate ideas.

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1. **“What did I do wrong?” asked the pig, when he recovered from his bump.
“Nothing,” said Charlotte. “It was a nice try.”**
2. **“Charlotte?” he said, softly.
“Yes, Wilbur?”
“I don't want to die.”
“Of course you don't,” said Charlotte in a comforting voice.**
3. **“Were you serious when you promised you would keep them from killing me?”
“I was never more serious in my life. I am not going to let you die, Wilbur.”**
4. **“May I get a drink of milk? I think there are a few drops of milk left in my trough.”
“No, the trough is dry, and I want you to go to sleep. No more talking! Close your eyes and go to sleep!”**

WORD BANK

protective	considers his feelings	comforting
cares	motherly	trusts
kind	wants what is best	looks up to