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Find the adjectives in this text and make a list. Now think of five sentences using at least three adjectives in each sentence.



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2

Find five common nouns and then find ten proper nouns.



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3

Look at the apostrophes in this text. Write down the words that have one and then explain why it is used there.



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4

Find the meanings of the words you haven't heard of before. Now write a few sentences using those words.



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5

Have you learnt any facts from reading this piece of non-fiction text? Write those facts down.



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6

How does the story make you want to keep reading? Write down the phrases and words that you find effective in gripping the reader.



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7

Search for a descriptive word in your text. Now use a thesaurus and write down five synonyms and antonyms for that word.



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8

Read through a chapter and pick out the powerful words that you can use in your own writing for the future.



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9

What words have been used to create an atmosphere? Write them down.



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10

Choose a character to draw and label from the book.



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11

Write down five questions you would like to ask one of the characters in the book. Now swap your questions with a friend and answer the questions they have asked.



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Pretend that you and the main character in the book are having a conversation or an interview. Write down your questions, along with their detailed responses.



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Can you remember a time where you have had a similar experience to a character in the book? Write about it.



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14

Do you feel like you are similar to any of the characters in the book?
If so, why?
If not, why?



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How did you feel whilst reading the book?
Explain and be descriptive about your answer.



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16

Design the clothes that your character would wear. Why have you chosen those particular colours? What design would their T-shirt have on the front?



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17

Write a letter to somebody you know and tell them about the book. Let them know what your opinions are.



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18

Design a poster to advertise the book. Write down the reason why people should read it.



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19

Imagine you are one of the characters in the story. Now write a diary entry about how they might feel and what they might do in that day.



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20

Write a letter to the author and tell them what you thought of their book. Be honest and explain your opinions.



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21

Draw a background for the characters in the book to play their roles in.



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22

Design a new front cover for your book. Remember to include the title and the author of the book.



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23

Write an alternative ending for the book.



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24

Make a mini quiz about the book. Remember to include the answers!



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25

Which chapter do you think was the most important?

Explain your answer.



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26

Imagine you are a character from the book and write a letter to a real-life person. For example, you could pretend to be Cinderella writing to the police about how your sisters are treating you.



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27

Choose a descriptive passage from the book and make a list of all the:

- similes;
- metaphors;
- alliteration;
- noun phrases.



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Choose a key event in the book and change what happened. Now, re-write the next chapter...



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29

Pick a character from the book. Draw some big speech or thought bubbles on a page and write what the character might be feeling or saying at different parts of the story.



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30

When you are halfway through the book, write down your predictions for what will happen. Write in the form of a story plan (in boxes).



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Write down your predictions for the ending of the book and then check and see if you were right. What didn't happen?



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Which character from the book would you most like to be? Why?



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33

Imagine you are an agony aunt for a magazine. What sort of advice would you give to the character in the story?



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34

Make up some questions about the book, starting with the following words: who, when, how, what, why and which.



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35

Who would you recommend this book to?
Who should not read this book? Explain your reasons.



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36

Draw a timeline for the story and fit in all the main events.



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37

Pick a word from the story and make a thesaurus page for it. Use drawings as well as writing, if you like.



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Make a mock leaflet by pretending you are a travel agent and want customers to visit a place in the book. Be descriptive and write a paragraph about why they should go there.



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39

Pretend you are a character in the book and write a telephone answering machine message for them.



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Draw a cartoon strip of the main events in the story.



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4.1

Compare this book to another book by the same author. Can you see any similarities at all?



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4.2

Write a newspaper report about the main story. Whose side are you on?



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4.3

Write a different beginning for the book.



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4.4

Create a crossword or wordsearch for the book.



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4.5

Think of what the other characters in the book may think or say about the main character. Why?



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4.6

How does the character change throughout the story?



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4.7

Design a 'WANTED' poster for one of the characters in the story. Use descriptive words.



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4.8

Design a house for the main character to live in.



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List all the characters in the book and then explain why each is important to the story.



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Make a mini dictionary with 10 difficult words from the text.



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Design a birthday card for one of the characters in the book. How old are they? What sort of a card might they appreciate?



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52

What present do you think the main character would like for their birthday? Explain why.



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53

Write an acrostic poem with the main character's name. Example:

Brilliant at school
Optimistic and cool
Basketball player



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54

Imagine you are a character in the book and write a letter to another character.



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55

Write a descriptive sentence about each character in the book.



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56

Think of five alternative titles for the book. Do you like the real title or not? Why?



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57

Write down the differences between fiction and non-fiction text.



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58

List and rank all the characters under these criteria: Kindest, meanest, most powerful, least important, annoying and likeable.



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59

Design an online advert for the book.
What do you think will catch an internet user's eye?



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Which character do you think is the most important? Explain why.



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