

4th grade reading comprehension

Boxcar children

day 1 read chapter 1-3

day 2 read chapter 4-6

day 3 read chapters 7

day 4 read 8-10

day 5 read 11-12

day 6 read 13

****printable pages

Matthew Jackson Meets the Wall by Patricia Reilly Giff

day 1 read chapter 1

What would it be like to leave a neighborhood where he/she had several good friends and move to a new state? How would he/she feel? What would they miss the most? the least?

day 2 read 2-4

Make a list of story events so far on paper

day 3 read 5-6

Write about the children that Matthew encountered.

day 4 read 7-8

Have your child imagine that they are a friend of Matthew's and write Matthew a letter telling him how he should deal with the wall.

day 5 read final chapters

Have your child recall details from the story that describe the type of person Matthew is. What adjectives would they describe him with? Then have them write an argument for or against the “new” Matthew’s behavior.

Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren

day 1 read ch 1

day 2 read 2-3

day 3 read 4-5

day 4 read 6-7

day 5 read 8-9

day 6 read finish book

***printable comprehension questions and fill out accordingly

A Grain of Rice by Helena Clare Pittman

*divide book up into 4 days

day 1 Ask your child to imagine how a peasant might win the hand of a princess in marriage. Have your child read to find out who the characters are and what the problem is.

day 2 Ask What is Pong Lo like? Why does he work so hard? Describe the princess’s feelings.

Make a mosaic with rice. Put 1 T alcohol, 2-3 drops food coloring and 1 cup of dry rice in a bag and shake. Spread on paper to dry. Make several colors. Glue rice onto heavy paper to make a scene

Day 3 Read and ask what was the emperors problem? Why did Pong Leo ask that the emperor tell the princess the potion was from him? Why do you think the emperor had the grains of rice delivered in such fancy containers?

Day 4 How did the peasant finally win the hand of the princess? What kind of person is the princess? How is the book like a fairy tale? What were the long term effects of the marriage?

The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman

day 1 read 1-3

day 2 read 4-6

day 3 read 7-10

day 4 read 11-14

day 5 read 15-17

day 6 read 18

day 7 read 19-20

***printed comprehension

Make Four Million Dollars by Next Thursday by Stephen Manes

day 1 read ch 1

day 2 read ch2-3

Ask your child to make up a money joke about the way Jason is dressed

day 3 read ch 4

Ask your child to predict what Dr.K.Pinkerton Silverfish will have Jason do next

day 4 read 5-6

Brainstorm ten reasons not to become a millionaire

Little House in the Big Woods

day 1 read one chapter per day and do printed comprehension packet (13 days)

****printed pages

The Borrowers

There are 20 chapters divide it up according to what your child can read

***printed pages

Annie and the Old One by Miska Miles

- Did we figure out who is "The Old One"? Who is the Old One and how does Annie feel about her?
- What did Annie's grandmother want her to learn how to do? Why?
- What was going to happen after the rug that Annie's mom was making was finished? How did Annie feel about this? Why do you think she felt that way?
- What was Annie's problem? How did she solve it?
- What kinds of things did she do to make sure that her mother couldn't finish the rug? Why do you think Annie did that?
- What made Annie finally realize that the rug had to be finished? What did she do?
- How would you feel if you were Annie? Have you ever had someone close to you pass away?

Mr.Poppers Penguins

**print off pages

Stone Fox

**print off pages

Any books by *Patricia MacLachlan*

The facts and fictions of minna pratt *Patricia MacLachlan*

More perfect than the moon *Patricia MacLachlan*

Sarah plain and tall *Patricia MacLachlan*

The Truth of Me *Patricia MacLachlan*

Fly Away *Patricia MacLachlan*

Through Grandpa's Eyes *Patricia MacLachlan*

Squanto Friend of the Pilgrims by Clyde Robert Bulla