

Novel Study

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Mr. Henshaw's Diary

In this novel study, you will be writing in a journal.

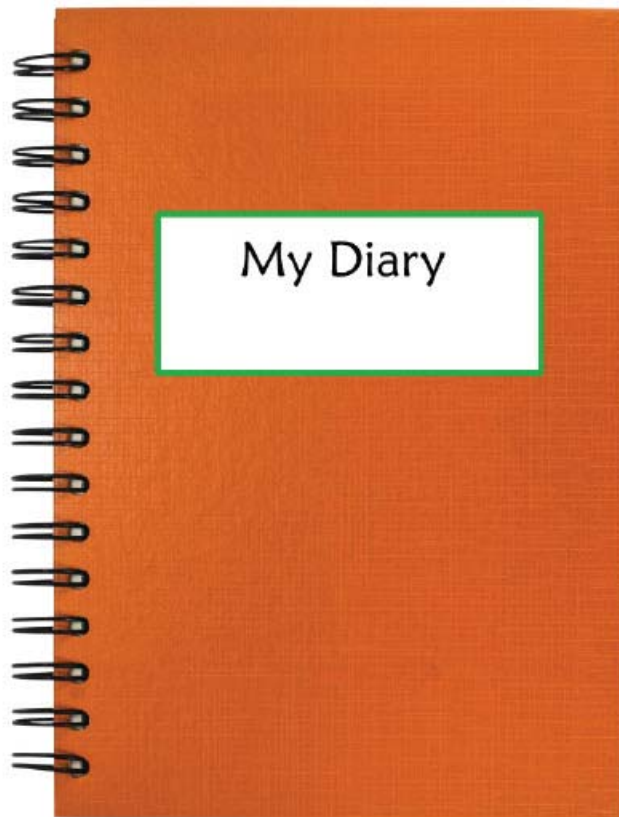


Skill Builder

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How to write a journal entry.

If you need to use this Skill Builder, access it from the online course.



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Part 1

Write a summary of the story so far:

Write your journal entry here:

notes:

Question: On page 10, Leigh is mad at Mr. Henshaw for sending him a list of questions to answer. Why do you think Mr. Henshaw did that?

Write your response here:

picture:

Draw or find a picture of the story so far. You can draw a picture on paper and then scan your completed picture, save the file, and submit it. You can also use the online website <http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/comic/> to draw your own picture.

How to use Read Write Think Cartoon Creator

Follow these directions:

1. Enter a title for your picture, your name as the author, then click the arrow to continue.
2. Click one or more panels to draw important events in this part of the novel.
3. Click on either a person, caption, or prop. Use the arrows to select a picture from the pop-up screen.
4. Drag your finished picture into the frame.
5. Add words inside the caption box at the bottom or inside a speech bubble.
6. Do this for each frame. When completed, click **Finish** at the top of the screen. The only way to save your storyboard is to print it.
7. Print your storyboard, and scan and send it to your teacher.

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Part 2

Write a summary for this part of the story:

Write your journal entry here:

notes:

Question: How has Leigh's life changed since his parents got divorced?

Write your response here:

picture:

Draw a map of Leigh's street then scan the drawing separately and submit it. You can also use the online website <http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/comic/> to draw your picture.

notes:

Part 3

Rearrange the events so that they are in the right order. Write the letters in the box below in the order the events occurred.

- A. Dad took Bandit when he left.
- B. Leigh makes his first friend.
- C. Leigh imagines how nice it would be to travel with his dad.
- D. Leigh walks very slowly to school every morning.
- E. Leigh tells Mr. Henshaw he doesn't really have any friends in this new town.
- F. Leigh tells about the lunch box thief.

Write the letters in the correct order here:

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Fill in the chart.

We know Mr. Henshaw is...	Because this happened in the story...

notes:

Question: How do we know Leigh is lonely? What happens in the story that tells us that?

Write your response here:

picture:

Draw a picture that could go with this part of the story. You can use the online website <http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/comic/> to draw your picture.

Scan your drawing separately and submit it.

notes:

Part 4

Summarize this part of the story:

Write your journal entry here:

notes:

In Part 4, Leigh starts keeping a diary. What are the four most important things he writes about?

Write your response here:

notes:

Question: What does Mr. Findley mean when he says, "Cheer up, Leigh, or you'll trip over your lower lip"?

Write your response here:

picture:

Draw a picture of how you think the thief is stealing Leigh's special treats. You can use the online website <http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/comic/> to draw your picture.

Scan your drawing separately and submit it.

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Part 5

Summarize this part of the story:

Write your journal entry here:

notes:

Question: How did the mood change in this part of the story from the beginning to the end of the section? Why did it change?

Write your response here:

notes:

Postcard: Draw a picture of something going on in Leigh's life right now. You can use this online [website](#) to draw your picture. On the left side of the postcard, write what you think Leigh would say.

Scan your drawing separately and submit it.

Write what you think Leigh would say.

notes:

Part 6

Summarize this part of the story:

Write your journal entry here:

notes:

Make a list of six things that are hurting Leigh's feelings in order of least to most hurtful.

Write your list here:

notes:

Question: Why did "the bad part, the really bad part" hurt Leigh so much?

Write your response here:

notes:

Feeling Words:

Make a list of feeling words that describe all the ways Leigh is feeling in this part of the story.

Write your response here:

notes:

Part 7

Summarize this part of the story:

Write your journal entry here:

notes:

Question: What is the very important advice that Mr. Findley gives Leigh?

Write your response here:

picture:

Making Connections

Have you had a time, or read in a different story, when it seemed that everything is bad and you/or the character can't understand why?

Write or draw a picture that tells about your connection. If you choose to write about it, use the space on the following page. If you choose to draw a picture, scan your drawing separately and submit it. You can also use this online website <http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/comic/> to draw your picture.

Write your response here:

notes:

Part 8

Summarize this part of the story.

Write your journal entry here:

notes:

Question: Why do you think Leigh said, "I never did find out who the thief was, and now that I stop to think about it, I am glad"?

Write your response here:

picture:

Draw or find a picture of a colourful Monarch Butterfly. Scan your image separately and send it or submit a digital copy.

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Part 9

Find examples in this section about the differences between what the writer said about writing and what many kids in the class seemed to think.

See example below.

Example	What the writer said	What the kids in the class thought

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Part 9 continued

Question: Leigh calls his writing a description, not a story.
What words and phrases made it a good description?

Write your response here:

picture:

Draw a picture of Leigh's face, or find a picture of what you think his face looked like, after the author talked about his writing. You can use this online website <http://www.readwritethink.org/files/resources/interactives/comic/> to draw your picture or find a picture online.

Scan your drawing separately and send it, or submit a digital copy.

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Part 10

Summarize this part of the story:

Write your journal entry here:

notes:

Question: Why did Leigh give the dog back to his dad?

Write your response here:

picture:

Draw a picture of your favourite part of the story. Scan it separately and submit it.